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## An analysis of Ecological Crisis in Contemporary in Literature in Earth Day by Jane Hyatt Yolen

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ARTICLEINFO	ABSTRACT
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Accepted : 10 Dec 2024	frequently when changes occurs to the environment. It's continued survival ecological crisis are include environmental damage, air pollution,
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<b>Publication Issue :</b> Volume 11, Issue 21 November-December-2024	fantasy, and historical events into stories for children and young adults. The ecological crisis is the same in the big developed country as it is in the small undeveloped country. The main theme of Earth Day Protect the earth and Respect the earth.
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## I. INTRODUCTION

Jane Hyatt Yolen was born on February 11, 1939, at *Beth Israel Medical Center in Manhattan*. She is the first child of *Isabell Berlin Yolen*, a psychiatric social worker who became a full time mother and homemaker upon Yolen's birth. Yolen considered herself a poet and a journalist/nonfiction writer, to her surprise she became a children's book writer. Her first published book was *Pirates in Petticoats*, which she sold on her 22<sup>nd</sup> birthday, February 11, 1961. During the 1960s, Yolen held editorial positions at various magazines and publishers in New York City, including Gold medal Books Routledge Books, and *Alfred A. Knopf* Juvenile Books. From 1990 to 1996 she ran her own *young adult fiction* imprint, Jane

Yolen books at *Harcout Brace*.She has co-written two books with her son, the writer and musician *Adam Stemple*.

The ecological crisis in the 17<sup>th</sup> century was economic distress, social unrest, and population decline as well as in 18<sup>th</sup> century result of capitalisms, and organization of world nature. In 19<sup>th</sup> century industrial economics, industrialization, modern science, and imperialism. In 20<sup>th</sup> century the Great Depression was a severe economic downturn, environmental issues caused by human activity.

In Postcolonial literature it's often addresses the problems and consequences of the decolonization of a country, especially questions relating to the political and cultural independence of formerly subjugated people, and themes such as racialism and colonialism.

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Now a day's climate crisis, ecocriticism are the main urges which we have to discuss as well as the contemporary writers are doing their level best in their works. This includes nature writing, eco fiction, environmental poetry, non – fiction. journalism, memoirs, ethics. and iustice. Environmental literature can raise awareness about environmental issues and promote environmental activism. Astrid Bracke explores the climate crisis and 21st Century British novel through eco-criticism Western Capitalism by Indra Sinha. The Grapes Wrath by John Steinbeck. The word for world is Forest by Ursula Le Guin Gold Fame Citrus by Claire Vaye Watkins.

According to this poem the author says the honey tree, mud, stick and stone consider as her blood, muscle, skin and bone. So yet shouldn't this happen anymore (earthquake). We celebrates this day. Let us celebrate not just this one day but every day. Not all changes can be brought about in one day. Saw today and it well become a tree tomorrow.

Yolen's works emphasize the importance of protecting the planet and its resources for future generations. Her stories often highlight the interconnectedness of all living things and the natural world. Yolen encourages readers to take responsibility for their action and to become active stewards of the environment.

This Caldecott Medal-winning picture book explores the themes of environmental stewardship and interconnectedness. This poem tells the story of Maria Merian a 17<sup>th</sup> century naturalist who studied butterflies and their habitats. The children's book promotes environmental responsibility and sustainability during the holiday season.

Jane Yolen's works often emphasize the importance of protecting the planet and its resources. Earth day, celebrated on April 22<sup>nd</sup>, serves as a reminder of the need for environmental stewardship and sustainablility Yolen's stories encourage readers to take action and become responsible stewards of the environment, aligning with the values and mission of Earth Day.

## **II. CONCLUSION**

Jane Yolen's "Earth Day" poem is a compelling example of contemporary literature's engagement with the ecological crisis. Through its powerful imagery, metaphor, and symbolism, the poem emphasizes the urgent need for environmental action and encourages readers to take responsibility for protecting the planet. As we celebrate Earth Day, this poem reminds us of the importance of literature in inspiring action and promoting sustainability in the face of the ecological crisis.