Junior Research Paper Convention: Abstract Form <u>CCIII/Spring 2023</u>

Lin, Daphne. Section D. "Fitzwilliam Darcy: Jane Austen's Appealing Romantic Hero in *Pride and Prejudice*" During the Romantic period of English literature, Jane Austen published her third novel *Pride and Prejudice*, creating a classic love story admired by numerous readers of generations. However, while many people talk about how Elizabeth is a feminist and charming heroine, fewer of them have discussed why Mr. Darcy has become an ideal lover for readers despite his arrogance in the first half of the novel. Therefore, this paper seeks to discuss the three aspects of the character of Darcy to explore why he is different from other Romantic heroes that are obnoxious outcasts. In *Pride and Prejudice*, Jane Austen uses plot, dialogue and characterization to portray Fitzwilliam Darcy as an appealing Romantic hero by drawing attention to his good morals and sense of social responsibility in early nineteenth century England, to the process by which he modifies his Romantic hero flaws for love, and to his marriage of equality and genuine admiration with Elizabeth.

Notes:

- 1. My RP belongs to the category of: ☐ Literary Studies or ☐ Social Studies
- 2. Related websites:

theguardian.com/film/2004/sep/29/books.gender https://www.writerswrite.co.za/why-do-we-love-mr-darcy-so/