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## Abstract

*The novel The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn was written by Mark Twain, an American author and father of American literature. The novel was published in 1884. It depicts the struggles for social freedom and individualism in the face of societal expectations. The character of Huckleberry shows the natural life and fights to get against rules and discipline to need of freedom to lead the life freely according to his way. Huckleberry started his life in Widow Douglas's house but he didn't stay in her house. Huck goes out of house and travels from one place to other place because of his freedom. At the end of the novel Huckleberry's father was died, so Aunt Polly wanted to adopt him but he rejected her offer and started his new life. The novel focused the teenage boy Huckleberry, and his friend Jim, how they struggle to get a freedom to lead their life in the own way. The novel The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn shows the significant slavery and pervasive racism of the time.*

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## Introduction

Samuel Langhorne Clemens was born in Missouri, United States. His pen name is Mark Twain. He was called the father of American literature. Twain was focused in writing about social problem and fundamental thing to the people. His writing style was very unique because he travel round the world and write a novel, short stories, poetry etc., Twain imaginative writing, to achieve in the American writing. Mark Twain first work is "The celebrated Jumping Frog of Calaveras Country". when his father died, he stop the school and went to help family, later he joined in printing shop with his brother, as a typesetter. Become a best novelist in the American literature.

## Move Violently for Liberty in Mark Twain's The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn

The Adventures of Tom Sawyer, Sequel is The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn, is described about young Huckleberry Finn and his friend Jim both are travelled in the boat and escaped to Mississippi River.

In The Adventures of Tom Sawyer, Huckleberry Finn and Tom Sawyer robbery sum of money, each getting six thousand dollar.

Both are invests to Judge Thatcher in the bank their money to get benefit them. Later Huckleberry is taken by the Widow Douglas and Miss Watson house to civilize him but Huckleberry, a young man, struggles with the sometime in Widow Douglas's house because of giving new clothing, feeling restricted up. He doesn't understand the importance of prayer and reading the Bible. On a stormy night, Tom sneaks out of the garden and started a gang of thieves with Huck and other boys. Tom has decided to take an oath for robbery gang agrees to commit murder and robbery as their wish. Locals suspect Huck's violent alcoholic father of a swollen body in the town's river, but Huck is unsure. The band, inspired by Tom's thoughts because how to robbery and murder. Huck goes to school daily and discovers track outside the Widow Douglas home, which are his father's footpath. He left his money with Judge Thatcher in order to hide that money from his father but he found the money. When Huck returns home his father was waiting for him in Huck's room after Judge Thatcher rejected him from giving Huck's money.

### **Huck's Father Captured him for Money**

He captures Huck and takes him to an old wood cabin in Illinois, where they catch and hunt for living. Huck appreciates the freedom, but his father resumes striking him and locks him inside the cabin every time he leaves the house. Huck, feeling overwhelmed by his father's financial struggles, he planned to escape from that wood cabin by digging a hole on the wall. The battle over Huck's money becoming too serious, and the widow and judge are also attempting to take over Huck's guardianship. Huck is disinterested in returning to civilization and plans to leave his father that evening. The next day, he found a paddle in the river and reached the shore by it. When his father returns to town, Huck planned to go to Jackson Island. So he emptied the paddle and killed a pig, spread its blood and left his hair as framing himself as dead and left. Huck enjoys the Island freedom but discovers a blazing campfire three days later. Fearing the fire, he sleeps in the boat and packs everything. He gains confidence to ask another islander if they are with him in the early morning. Jim escapes, When Miss Watson planned to trade him. Huck, Miss Watson's slave, promises not to betray him. Huck and Jim went to the Island and build a camp in a cave and waited for the storm to pass so that they can go on an adventure. They find a two-story wooden home, where an unknown man is discovered dead. Jim advises Huck to stay away, and they cover the body with rags. Huck and Jim returned to Island after the adventures to find the death as disguising as a woman. A newcomer informs him that initially, his father was blamed, but now they believe Jim was responsible due to his simultaneous disappearance. Jim's capture of Jackson Island brings a \$300 reward. Huck and Jim return to the Island, where they find a stuck steamer and encounter three criminals.

### **Search for Freedom**

The story highlights the dangers of escaping and the importance of a strong sense of safety. Both are planned to pass over the Ohio River by steamboat. Huck and Jim were split due to fog, after a long time joined each other. Huck feels bad about his role in the sell into slavery person's escape and decides to inform Jim about their arrival in Cairo. He pretends to be interested in learning. Jim praises Huck as his best friend, but Huck feels betrayed. He is stopped by two men on a boat near the raft, leaving him perplexed. When Huck asked about escaped slaves but he got informed about his father who was affected by small box.

Huck get a money to stay in a nearest Island because fear of disease. Jim listening the conversation and confidence about Huck doesn't hide from him. Jim and Huck, lost in fog, discover they have passed Cairo and lose their boat. A boat was broken into two parts due to fog. Later Huck reached the island and find that Jim was missing. The Granger fords take Huck in, but they have a protracted dispute with the Shepherdson's, resulting in numerous fatalities. The fighting between the families is ongoing, and the cause remains unknown. Miss Sophie, a Granger ford girl, she wished go to church to get a bible. Huck suspects something is wrong and pursues Jim, who is asleep near by the plants and trees. Huck finds the Jim and escaped and moves with a boat.

Both are travel to his uncle house. The Duke and King seize the raft and maintain to mislead people out of their money. He receives \$80 in donations and, after a absurd theater act, escapes with some hundred dollars. A young man informs Huck and the King about the passing of Peter, before leaving that land they get a some land and wealth. He wishes his surviving brothers, William and Harvey, would visit before his death. The Duke and King costume like peter brothers goes with Huck into the village. When entered into the open arms, the money is rapidly lost. Huck decided to steal the money from the king's room with a help of three girls.

When Huck was captured by the people, he was compelled to put the money into the box which was going too buried on the next day. He exposes the truth to Mary Jane, the oldest girl, who agrees to spend the day at a friend's house to allow Huck and Jim the opportunity to depart. After leaving, Peter's brothers appear and attempt to prove the King and Duke's lies by asking if he recalls a tattoo on his breast. The King devises a plan, and the people in the village tunnel to bring a body of peter. When the casket was opened the wealth was discovered. Huck and Jim were planned to escape, The King and Duke send a people to capture them.

The King asks Duke and Huck to follow him Pikeville. They find him in a bar, but he is unsuccessful. When Huck returns to raft him fined Jim disappeared. Huck started searching for Jim but the king sold Jim to Phelps family. The Duke reveals Jim's location to them, and Huck visits the Phelps residence, where they welcome him. They mistakenly believe Huck is her nephew Tom Sawyer. Huck and tom plans to release Jim mean while Huck finds tom as Sid's brother and brought him to uncle Silas and Aunt Polly. Tom made a tunnel and built a rod instead of stairs for Jim to escape as like him adventures tales. It takes three weeks for tom to escapes Jim from the cabin.

Tom, concerned about their run away plan, sends anonymous messages to Uncle Silas and Aunt Sally, revealing their plans to set Jim free at night. Gunners warned Jim, Huck and tom to escape. While escaping tom was shot in the leg as they reach the village for tom treatment Huck hide in the raft. The next morning Huck and tom started searching for Jim and tom enquire in post office about Jim. Two days later, doctor took tom on a mattress, while Jim is placed in chains with him. Jim, who had been hiding from Tom due to his injuries, gave up his freedom when the doctor recommended it. Tom went to him, enraged, and confessed that Miss Watson had requested Jim's release. Jim was treated well. Tom and Huck's trick was revealed to Phelps family when Aunt Polly came. Huck came to know that the deceased man was his father and he left Aunt Polly and went far away.

## Conclusion

The novel explores the contrast between freedom and civilization, it portrays domestic freedom reveals the public freedom of Huck and Jim. Both Huck and Jim encounter obstacles in their journey down the Mississippi, including hypocrisies like religion and slavery, as they navigate the complexities of society. The novel highlights the importance of balancing freedom and societal norms. In Mark Twain's *The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn*, the theme of freedom is explored

through the characters Huck and Jim, who both seek freedom for their own happiness. Jim thirsts for freedom so that he escaped from slavery in Widow Douglas house. This novel portrays Huck's escapism and searches for freedom, as seen in Huck's desire to be uncivilized life with widow Douglas, rather than a civilized home.

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