

ABSTRACT

Wife in the Fast Lane is a novel written by Karen Quinn that narrates about a career woman named Christy Hayes who succeeds as an athlete, builds her own multimillion-dollar company, and married to a gorgeous husband. In the middle of her successful living, Christy adopts a child from her passed away old maid, she manages to get along with her husband's daughter from his previous marriage who comes to live with them, and she struggles to keep her position as the CEO from being taken by her partner. These all causes Christy to juggle her career and home life at the same time which finally leads to the changes of her roles. The analysis of this thesis focuses on the main character of the novel that is Christy Hayes. The problem analyzed is how is Christy Hayes portrayed as a career woman and a housewife, and why does Christy Hayes change her roles from a career woman to a housewife. The goal of this thesis is to describe Christy Hayes' roles as a career woman and a housewife and to reveal the reasons why she changes her roles from a career woman to a housewife. From the analysis, it is found out that Christy Hayes is independent, confident, tough, etc as a career woman and she is nurturing, sacrificial, committed, etc as a housewife. The reason revealed are that Christy Hayes is betrayed by her partner who does intrigue to take the CEO position from her and she also disappoints with the board of the company that chooses to believe the intrigue. As a moralist, she can not accept it because these all contradicts to her principle. Those are the reasons why Christy refuses to continue her career. Moreover, there is the children and husband that need to be cared of. These reasons lead Christy to change her roles from a career woman to a housewife.

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