**Identity Crisis**

**Identity crisis means a feeling of unhappiness and confusion caused by not being sure about what type of person you really are or what the true purpose of your life is. Identity crises is a personal psychological conflict especially in youth that involves confusion about one's social role and often a sense of loss of continuity to one's personality.**

**Jimmy, the angry young man is not satisfied with his life and society. The story of the play shows his anger against people and everything around him.**

**The difference of social rank between Jimmy and Alison causes Jimmy’s condition of dissatisfaction. His attitude shows him as a rebel of society. This character shows his all offenses and alienation for the high class of society. Throughout the play we find him fighting against the sense of alienation and identity crisis.**

**The crisis of identity versus identity confusion; this crisis represents the struggle to find a balance between developing a unique, individual identity while still being accepted. The second crisis, occurring between late youth and early adulthood, is called the crisis of intimacy (closeness) versus isolation. This crisis represents the struggle to resolve the mutual nature. Thus, youth must determine how to develop and to maintain close friendships outside the family, as well as how to achieve exchange in romantic relationships.**

**Jimmy is the character suffering from identity crisis. He belongs to the generation who has been deprived of their great past, with dull and ambiguous present and going to face an aimless coming time. Hence, an indifferent, without aim and goals, without purpose, confused and hopeless generation was produced. Identity crisis was the main issue of the time. The frustration and boredom made Jimmy an angry young man. He shows his anger against society, class and sex conflicts and even his hatred for religion.**

**He faces many questions which remain unsolved but the main question is his existence and identity that only sufferings and pains. So he blames class system of society for making his existence and identity meaningless.**