

Global Focus on Knowledge Academics and Subjectivness II

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What is Postcolonialism ?

Postcolonial studies

- ◆ “de-colonization”?
- ◆ Achievement of political independence

Economic colonialism

Cultural colonialism (colonization of
knowledge / colonization of the life- world
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Orientalism

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Orientalism is the Occidental knowledge of what the Orient is.

Therefore, no matter how seriously we study the Occidental discourse about the Orient, we fail to know what the Orient is, but we would only know illusions of the Occident about what the Orient should be and how the Orient will be.

Orientalism= Other-ize/ gendering (femaling)