

Abstract

Diploma thesis "Feminists, Christians and women's magazines - construction of interpretative communities" deals with opinions of feminist and Christian women about women's magazines. It applies the concept of interpretative communities on these two groups of women and asks, if feminists and Christians use within their groups the same resources for judgement of women's magazines. At the same time the thesis is concerned with the history of Czech women in the last two centuries and also with theoretical views of women and constructions of womanhood. It strives for a solid understanding of the two groups of women that includes not only the characteristics of both communities, but also social and historical circumstances that shaped them. On this basis, the thesis analyses interviews with feminist and Christian women. The themes that were discussed included fashion, cosmetics, relationships between men and women, attributes of gender roles, positives and negatives of women's magazines, various uses of women's magazines and Christian and feminist critique of women's magazines. The thesis also deals with the question, which other variables may influence the opinion of feminists and Christians on women's magazines.