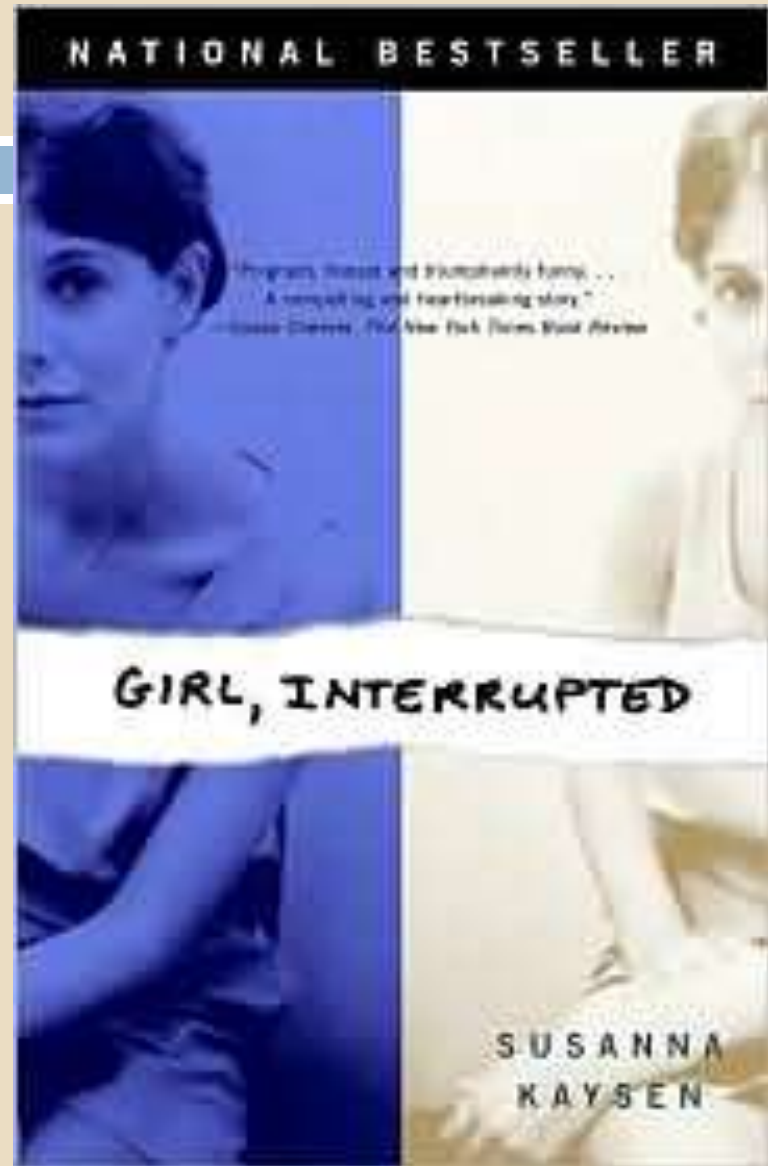
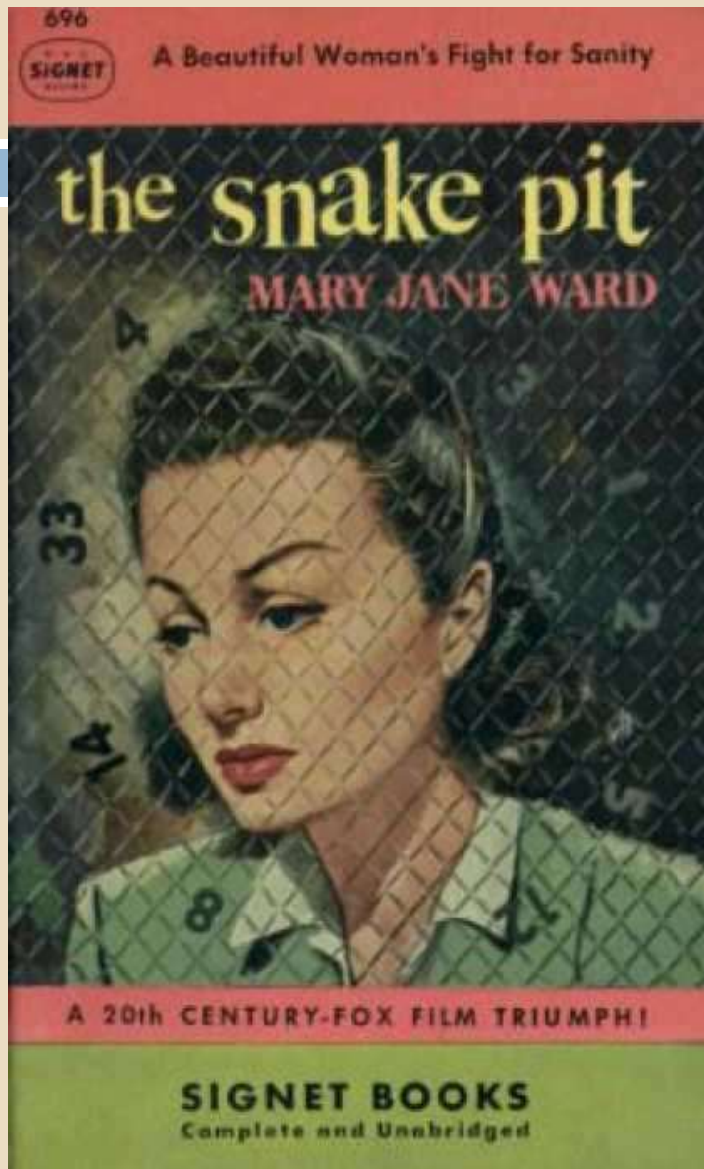


# THE MADWOMAN IN THE MOVIES: HOLLYWOOD'S APPROPRIATION OF MENTAL ILLNESS

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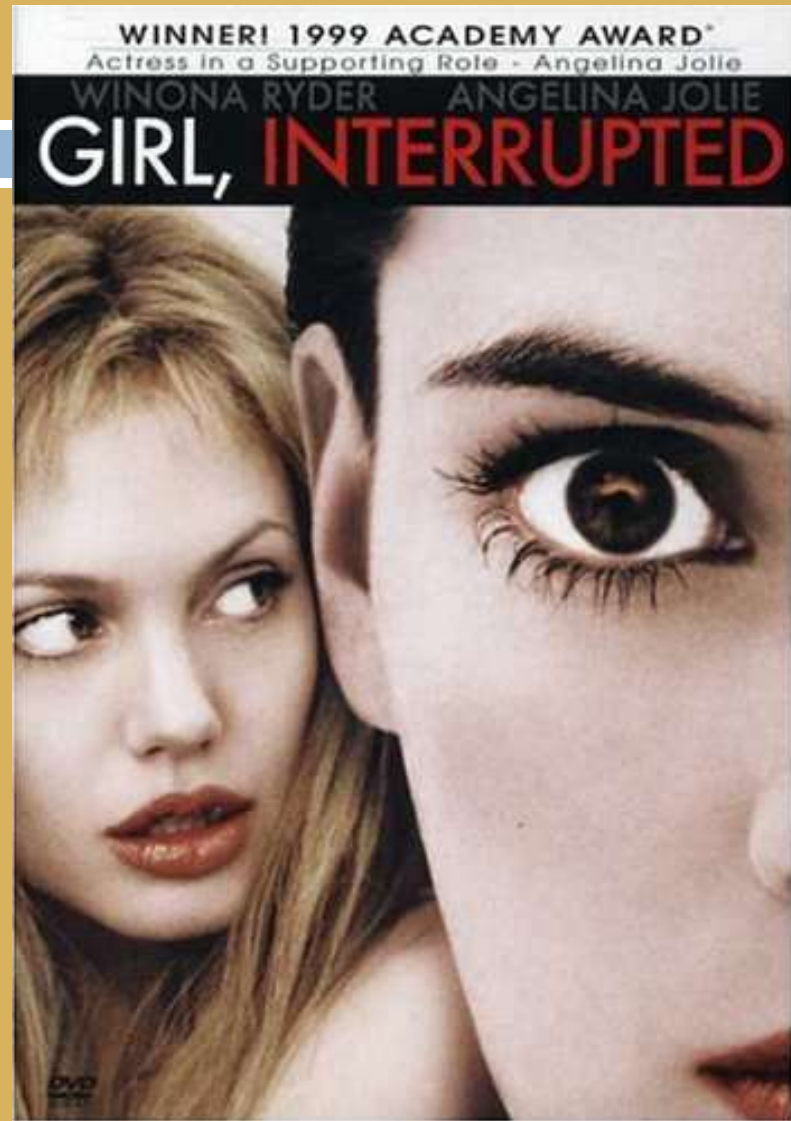


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# Madness and Silence

“From the depths of the Middle Ages, a man was mad if his speech could not be said to form part of the common discourse of men. His words were considered null and void, without truth or significance, worthless as evidence”(149).

-Michel Foucault, “The Discourse on Language”

# Kaysen's Lisa

“Lisa had run away again. We were sad, because she kept our spirits up. She was funny. Lisa! I can't think of her without smiling, even now...

This time, when they brought her back, they were almost as angry as she was. Two big men had her arms, and a third guy had her by the hair, pulling so that Lisa's eyes bugged out. Everybody was quiet, including Lisa. They took her down to the end of the hall, to seclusion, while we watched” (20-21).

# Mangold's Lisa



<http://www.zuguide.com/index.php#James-Mangold>

# Doctors

“They had a special language: *regression, acting out, hostility, withdrawal, indulging in behavior*. This last phrase could be attached to any activity to make it sound suspicious: indulging in eating behavior, talking behavior, writing behavior. In the outside world, people ate and talked and wrote, but nothing we did was that simple” (84).

# Doctors as Heroes



- “I knew there was only one way back to the world, and that was to use the place and to talk.”



# Cure?

- “I got better and Daisy didn’t and I can’t explain why” (158)
- Susanna’s marriage
- “Most of us got out eventually”

# Cure!



<http://www.mediacircus.net/girlinterrupted.html>