## 19th Century American Fiction

"My Kinsman, Major Molineux" (1832) by Nathaniel Hawthorne

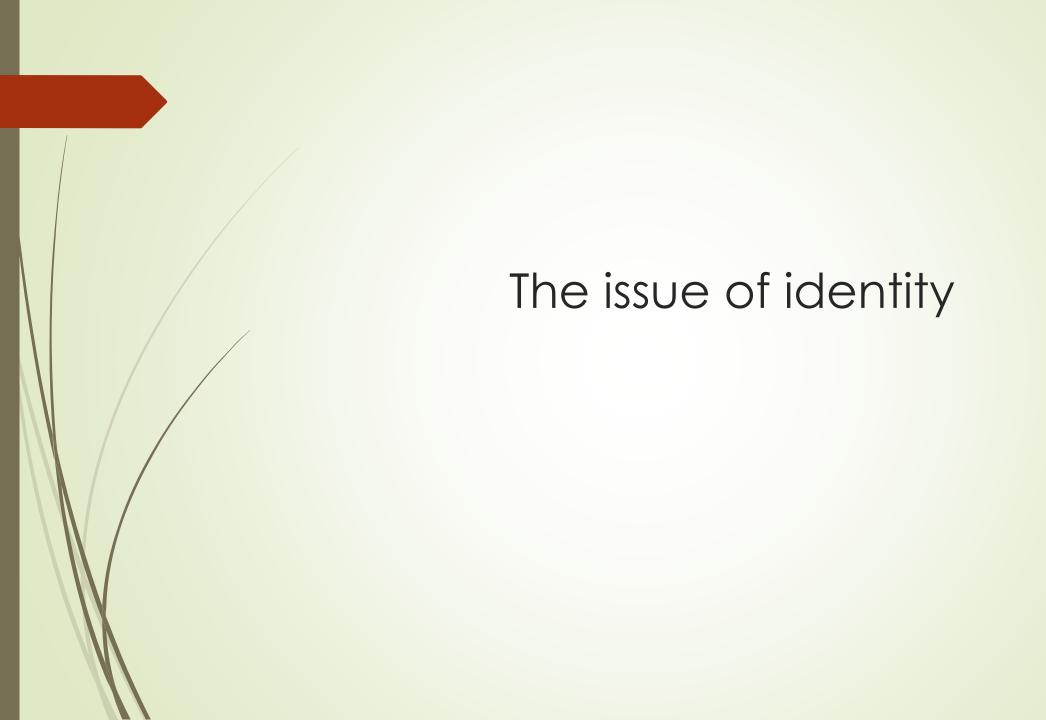
## Historical background

## Characters

- Robin
- Major Molineux
- Old man (and barbers)
- Innkeeper
- Man with fiery eyes
- Woman in scarlet petticoat
- The watchman
- Friendly man

Why does Robin laugh so loud when he sees Major Molineux?

Coming of Age
-from innocence to experience-



The theme of independence

How do we feel about the large group of people lynching Major Molineux?