Read the poem carefully. Then in a well-organized response analyze how the poet utilizes literary devices in order to convey the speaker’s attitude toward male power.

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| **A Work of Artifice**  Marge Piercy | |
| 1  2  3  4  5  6  7  8  9  10  11  12  13  14  15  16  17  18  19  20  21  22  23 | The bonsai tree  in the attractive pot  could have grown eighty feet tall  on the side of the mountain  till split by lighting.  But a gardener  carefully pruned it.  It is nine inches high.  Every day as he whiddles back the branches  the gardener croons,  It is your nature  to be small and cozy,  domestic and weak;  how lucky, little tree,  to have a pot to grow in.  With living creatures  one must begin very early  to dwarf their growth:  the bound feet,  the crippled brain,  the hair in curlers,  the hands you  love to touch. |