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 |
| 1234567891011121314151617181920212223 | The bonsai treein the attractive potcould have grown eighty feet tallon the side of the mountaintill split by lighting.But a gardenercarefully pruned it.It is nine inches high.Every day as he whiddles back the branchesthe gardener croons,It is your natureto be small and cozy,domestic and weak;how lucky, little tree,to have a pot to grow in. With living creaturesone must begin very earlyto dwarf their growth:the bound feet,the crippled brain,the hair in curlers,the hands you love to touch. |