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In this book in Search for De Re Identity, the author discusses one of the central philosophical issues, "The identity of things". We know that metaphysics deals with the identity of things, i.e., "What they are?". Here, the author is in search of that identity which makes the thing What it is, by which we can single out or pick out an object and distinguish it from other possible objects. In order to search of that identity she has gone through an extensive survey of literature where she begins with discussing Aristotle's notion of essence, whether there is any essential predicate that signifies the essence of the things. This is followed by a discussion of the views of Quine, Kripke, Plantinga and Adams.

For Quine, admitting quantification within the modal framework is feasible provided that we admit the possibility of *De Re Necessity*. Quine attacked the possibility of "*De Re Necessity*" on an open context as it violates the principle of extensionality. Hence also rejected the authenticity of quantification into modal context that QML requires. In contrast, necessity, as expressed by a semantical predicate applicable solely on the names of statements, does not hold the principle of substitutivity, rather impels referential opacity.

In this context, the author of *In Search for De Re Identity* discusses a highly controversial issue : whether there is a definite description for every proper name or whether proper names are mere rigid designators. Though for Plantinga, proper names do not stand for bare particulars, they express properties. However, one characteristic that Plantinga attributes to proper names is that they rigidly designate their referents.

Apart from that she has discussed later Wittgenstein as well who had himself suggested that there are certain 'rock bottom' of our usages – which are not the material origin or atomic structure of objects, but are the forms of living that are the conditions of possibility of all phenomana.

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