

AN ANALYSIS THE MAIN CHARACTERS IN THE NOVEL “THE LOST BOY” BY DAVE PELZER”

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ABSTRACT

A literary work can touch people heart when they read, they are not aware that they trickling of tears together soluble on emotional. Novel form a step from literary work that have purpose for educate and confort. Novel have contents idea, emotional, opinion, and understanding about what that happened on society wether in around of the reader. For get the mentioned meaning, the writer choose a literary work novel by Dave Pelzer have a title The Lost boy. the writer using theory that suggested by Jakob Sumarji & Saini (1986, 65-66) about identify the characters. To undestanding the meaning that implied from character. In this research, the researcher use qualitative method especially is descriptif method. Method is used are describing or portray an object. For that, the researcher use methode of Suhendar dan Supinah. According to Suhendar and Supinah (1993:18) Descriptive qualitative method is a method of describing or depicting an object of interest for the reader to sympathize or experienced anything like what is experienced and perceived by the author. It can be concluded that Dave Pelzer is form the main character because his name always rise on the story. In this story Dave Pelzer described of the author that Dave is the figure is have multi individuality. From result of analysis the main character and the factors that influence change attitude of the main character above can conclusion is The main Charcters of dave Pelzer have multi character that changes as follow: Thief, diligent, dream and vision, goodself, coward, confident, adapted, happy, resclusive, brave, modest, hothead, annoyed, worried, tense, nervous, faithful, attentive, sincere, open, smart and worker hard.

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INTRODUCTION

A literary work can touch people heart when they read, they are not aware that they trickling of tears together soluble on emotional. A literary works like a conrolling instrument that can move people that read for take stride or action. This thing like drop of water who can shatter stone that hard.

Novel form a step from literary work that have purpose for educate and confort. Novel have contents idea, emotional, opinion, and understanding about what that happened on society wether in around of the reader.

The new novel is a prose that describes most of the life of the main character is the most important, most interesting, and containing conflicts, conflict or struggle, the soul resulted in change of fortune offender.

Novel built by intrinsic elements and extrinsic elements:

- a. Intrinsic element is included plot, characterisazion, setting, theme, message, and point of fiew.
- b. Extrinsic element is included background and culture social of writer when that novel is made.

In reality of human as a sosial creature have two character that different is bad character and good character that influence of human life. A bad Character and good character also there is at the novel *The Lost Boy* by Dave Pelz.

For get the mentioned meaning, the writer choose a literary work novel by Dave Pelzer have a title *The Lost boy*. The matter that provided the basis of writer for choose the novel mentioned because this novel put much figures who supporting the course of the development story until the research that done with very relevant. Besides that, the author of Dave Pelzer is the main character which he talks about his life experience it self.

RESEARCH METHODOLOGY

In this research, the researcher use qualitative method especially is descriptif method. Method is used are describing or portray an object. For that, the researcher use methode of Suhendar dan Supinah.

According to Suhendar and Supinah (1993:18) metode deskriptif kualitatif yaitu suatu metode yang menggambarkan atau melukiskan suatu objek dengan tujuan agar pembaca turut merasakan atau mengalami seperti apa yang dialami dan dirasakan oleh penulisnya.

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KINDS SOURCE OF DATA

In this research, the researcher source of data from text about novel *The Lost Boy* by Dave Pelzer and some literatures that supporting research like books from some kind source like books store, libraries, and internet media who supporting on this research.

TECHNIQUE COLLECTING OF DATA

Technique of collecting data is important things to do of research because the first purpose from this research is get of data. For get the that purpose, so the researcher read all of story novel *The Lost Boy* is made as matter of research, summarize of data, coding of data, focus on characters, throw of data is not important, identify the story that there is connexion with character of the main character in the novel *the lost boy* and formulate a conclusion based on character.

TECHNIQUE ANALYSIS OF DATA

According to maleong (2010: 247) proses analisis data dimulai dengan menelaah seluruh data yang tersedia, setelah dibaca, dipelajari, dan ditelaah. Adapun cara yang dilakukan untuk menganalisis data sebagai berikut :

- a. Membaca kembali keseluruhan novel yang dijadikan sebagai bahan penelitian.
- b. Mengumpulkan data yang bersumber dari buku-buku (literatur), media internet yang sesuai dengan objek kajian dan erat hubungan dengan materi peneltian.

Process of analysis data started with carefully all of the data after read, studied, and analyze. The way is done to analyze as follow reading back all of novel who made as a matter of research and collecting the data who be based from books, interne media who appropriate wih object research is have connexion with material of research.

In this research, the researcher use kualitatif method especially decriptif method to analyze the data intrinsic approach. In this research, intrinsic approach more focussed on the main character of Dave Pelzer in the novel *The Lost Boy*.

RESULT AND DISCUSSION

RESULT

In this research, the researcher focus on the main characters Dave Pelzer with used theory of Jakob Sumarji & Saini(1986, 65-66) that suggested that to know every characters in the story needed steps that can guide until to understanding about identify the characters. To understanding the meaning that implied from character, can seen by means as follow:

1. What is done means
2. Utterance means
3. Describe fisicly of figures means
4. Minds means
5. Direct explanation means

Analysis the main character of Dave Pelzer

A good characters and bad characters is has of the main characters of Dave Pelzer in the novel *The Lost Boy* by Dave Pelzer that found of the reseacher as follow:

THIEF

“Aku juga mencuri di dalam rumah bibi Marry setelah menunggu sampai penghuni rumah pergi, diam-diam aku pergi ke dapur untuk mencuri roti kemudian menyembunyikannya di bawah bantal”(Dave Pelzer, 2003: 80).

On three citation above the author is describing that Dave have brothers. As a student the figures i or Dave Pelzer just get breakfast leftovers from his brothers that ever if he is luck. The main Charcter of Dave Pelzer was steal a food because the condition who force him must steal in order that he got eat.

DILIGENT

Kemudian aku di pukuli atau di paksa melakukan salah satu “permainan “-nya, kemudian menyelesaikan segala tugas yang harus kakerjakan pada siang hari, kemudian duduk di bawah tangga sampai dipanggil ke atas untuk menyelesaikan segala tugas yang harus ku kerjakan pada malam hari.

Kemudian kalau aku bisa menyelesaikan semua tugasku tepat waktu, dan kalau aku tidak melakukan “kesalahan” apapun, barulah aku di beri sisa-sisa makanan (dave pelzer, 2003: 3-4).

Diligently by the main character of Dave Pelzer that describe of the author is more referred to tortured who done his mother. The condition like that Dave Pelzer must work all of job for got a food.

GOOD SELF

”david adalah anak mudah yang baik. David memang agak terlalu bersemangat...tetapi itu semua wajar, mengingat apa yang selama bertahun-tahun ini ia alami”(Dave Pelzer, 2003: 48).

Kemudian, pada waktu itu, pembimbingku itu memandang dengan memandang kearahku lalu tersenyum. “kau anak baik, Pelz-man. Raihlah itu.” (Dave Pelzer, 2003: 294).

The figures I or Dave Pelzer on this novel was described the adult child is good and enthusiasm. This character seen on dialogue by Bibi Mary and his mother and words of his supervisor when he will went to fligh.

COWARD

The coward is also form characters of Dave Pelzer. It is seen from his measure when he face to face with his mother. In an indirect manner the author describe that Dave Pelzer very scare to his mother. Him scare seen in the citation below:

“Aku meringkukkan bahu dan hampir selalu memandangi karpet di bawahku, memberi kesan kepada ibu seolah-olah aku ini anak anjing yang takut berhadapan dengannya”(Dave Pelzer, 2003: 48).

The factor that influence a behavior change of Dave Pelzer

On a citation in the novel *The Lost Boy* there is a citation who said of Dave pelzer own.

“Tak sedikitpun saya ragu, bahwa kalau saja saya tinggal lebih lama lagi bersama ibu kandung saya, saya pasti tewas. Pengasuhan oleh orang tua asuh bukan semata-mata suatu jalan untuk melarikan diri, melainkan juga suatu dunia yang sama sekali baru. Dan dunia yang sama sekali baru itu kadang kala usaha untuk menyesuaikan diri sangat sulit dilakukan sebab saya tidak pernah tahu persis apa yang saya harapkan.” (Dave Pelzer, 2003: 301)

This is the factor that become the basic consideration why the main character of Dave Pelzer has behavior change on this novel. On his effort search the for the love a family and to saved his self from torture of his natural mother, Dave must be foster child.

CONCLUSION

Based on analyze the caharcter that seen in the main characters of Dave Pelzer in the novel *The Lost Boy* by Dave Pelzer the researcher have a conclusion that Dave Pelzer is form the main character because his name always rise on the story. In this story Dave Pelzer described of the author that Dave is the figure is have multi individuality.

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