

CHAPTER I

INTRODUCTION

1.1 Background of the Study

Generally the meaning of literature in modern English is everything that is written down or the using of language in written form. According to Hornby (1959:357) states that, "Literature is writing or study of books, valued as work of art (drama, fiction, poetry, biography) constructed with technical book and journalism.

Literary works such as drama, poem, and novel are more interesting to read and compare with technical books or textbooks because they give the readers pleasure. Kennedy states that, "Among the forms of imaginative literature in our language, novel has long been the favorite of both writers and readers. For more than two hundred years, only the lyric of poem has rivaled the novel in attracting outstanding practitioners" (1983:180).

In full-length novel has more an incident, scenes or episodes than short story or drama. A novel may have a number of settings and may take a long span of time. Novel may have more than one themes and climax, both minor and major conflict. Kennedy (1983:180) states that:

A novel is a book-length story in prose, whose author tries to create the sense which, while we are reading, we experience actual life. This sense actually, which is also found in artful short stories, may be the quality that sets the novel apart from other long prose narratives.

The novel entitled *Pride and Prejudice* is a romantic novel and it is chosen by the writer to analyze because Jane Austen is one of the famous novelist. Jane Austen found inspiration to write the novel *Pride and Prejudice* in Hampshire. She wrote her works drawing on large circle of friends, social gatherings and places around Hampshire, a place that she visited to devise the characters and settings for her novel.

Pride and Prejudice is usually considered to be the most popular of Jane Austen's novel. It portrays life in the genteel rural society of the day, and tells of the initial misunderstandings and later mutual enlightenment between Elizabeth Bennet and the naughty Darcy. The *Pride and Prejudice* refers to the ways in which Elizabeth Bennet and Darcy first met each other. In this novel, Jane describes the main character Elizabeth Bennet clearly, precisely and in detail, so that the readers can feel her personality along the story.

In this thesis, the writer tries to analyze the main character in the novel *Pride and Prejudice* based on the psychology theory about theory of needs from Abraham Harold Maslow who concerns about self-actualization. The writer wants to know the self-actualization of Elizabeth Bennet.

1.2 Statement of the Problem

In this thesis, the writer limits the discussion of the novel. They are as the followings:

1. What conflicts are faced by Elizabeth Bennet?
2. What are characterization and personality character of Elizabeth Bennet?

3. What is the self-actualization of Elizabeth Bennet?

1.3 Scope of the Study

In this thesis, the writer tries to limit the discussion about Jane Austen's novel *Pride and Prejudice*. The writer only discusses about characterization, personality character of Elizabeth Bennet, self-actualization of Elizabeth Bennet based on the theory of needs from Abraham Harold Maslow and conflicts faced by Elizabeth Bennet those are external conflict and internal conflict.

1.4 Objective of the Study

The objectives the study can be stated as follow:

1. To describe conflicts faced by Elizabeth Bennet.
2. To describe characterization and personality character of Elizabeth Bennet.
3. To find out the self-actualization of Elizabeth Bennet based on the theory of needs from Abraham Harold Maslow.

1.5 Significance of the Study

The writer hopes that this thesis can give valuable contribution to Dian Nuswantoro University and anybody who reads this thesis. In detail, it is hoped that result of the study can be:

1. A contribution to Dian Nuswantoro University particularly for English Language Department students.

2. This thesis can be a reference for the other students who study literature.

1.6 Method of the Study

1.6.1 Research Design

The psychological analysis as a study of psychology in self actualization of Elizabeth Bennet in Jane Austen's *Pride and Prejudice* is qualitative research as the data that the writer analyzed is uncountable data instead of Mathematics, Arithmetic and Statistics.

1.6.2 Unit of Analysis

The writer will focus on the intrinsic and extrinsic elements. So, structural approach and psychological approach is needed to analyze this thesis. The intrinsic elements will be emphasized on the analysis of character and characterization, and conflict. Then the extrinsic element will be emphasized on self actualization.

According to Semi (1993:76), "A research with psychological approach discusses about something happening in the human life with his many kind of behaviors and understand human deeply needs psychology."

1.6.3 Source of Data

The writer will use source of data as material in completing the thesis. First, data which can be gotten from the novel entitled *Pride and*

Prejudice by Jane Austen. The second, data such as books of psychology. In analyzing *Pride and Prejudice*, the writer also browsed on the internet to support this thesis.

1.6.4 Technique of Data Collection

The writer collected the data for supporting the analysis by using research by reading the literary work to get information about the subject. The data that the writer used are classified as primary and secondary data. Primary data were drawn from the novel, and then secondary data were taken from references related to the subject.

The first step of collecting data is reading the novel to get deep understanding. The second step is searching the components of intrinsic and extrinsic elements. Psychological analysis as extrinsic elements related to the psychological as reflected in the novel. The third step is library research. Semi (1993:8) states that:

Pengumpulan data melalui studi pustaka, yaitu teknik penelitian yang dilakukan di kamar kerja peneliti atau ruang perpustakaan, di mana penulis memperoleh data dan informasi tentang penelitiannya lewat buku atau audiovisual lainnya.

Collecting data by means of library research is a research technique done in a researcher's work room or in a library, where the researcher gets data and information about this research from books or the other audiovisual.

By using this method, the writer gets the data and information by going to the libraries and looking for books that support the process of writing this thesis.

1.6.5 Technique of Data Analysis

The writer uses the psychological approach to analyze this novel for support discussion about self actualization of Elizabeth Bennet in *Pride and Prejudice*. So that, psychological approach is very needed to supports this analysis. Because, with psychology, we can understand the condition of human in literary works.

1.7 Method of Approach

The method of approach used in this thesis is structural approach and psychological approach. Structural approach is done by identifying, investigating and describing the function and relationship in relevant intrinsic elements. Semi (1993:73) state that:

Pendekatan struktural atau pendekatan obyektif bertolak dari asumsi bahwa karya sastra sebagai karya kreatif memiliki otonom penuh yang harus dilihat sebagai suatu sosok yang berdiri sendiri, dan lepas dari hal-hal yang ada diluar darinya maka yang dikaji dan diteliti adalah aspek yang membangun karya sastra seperti tema, alur, tokoh dan penokohan dan lain sebagainya.

Structural approach or objective approach is accused from the assumption that literary works as creative works have full of autonomous that must be looked independent form and apart from outside things, then those which are investigated and researched are aspect

which build a literary works like theme, plot, character and characterization, etc.

By using this approach the writer analyzes character, characterization and conflict of the main character Elizabeth Bennet.

The second approach is psychological approach. Harsono (1999:20) states that: "*Pendekatan psikologi adalah pendekatan teoritis yang menggunakan analisis psikologi.*" Psychological approach is theoretical approach that uses psychological analysis. By using this approach the writer wants to analyze about self-actualization of Elizabeth Bennet based on theory of needs from Abraham H. Maslow.

1.8 Thesis Organization

This thesis is divided into 5 (five) chapters.

Chapter I : Introduction. This chapter consists of background of the study, statement of the problem, scope of the study, objective of the study, significance of the study, method of the study consists of research design, unit of analysis, source of data, technique of data collection, and technique of data analysis, method of approach and the last is thesis organization.

Chapter II : Author and Synopsis of the Story. This chapter consists of the biography of Jane Austen and her works and the synopsis of *Pride and Prejudice*.

Chapter III : Review of Related Literature. This chapter consists of definition of intrinsic elements; character, characterization and conflict. And

then definition of extrinsic elements; psychology, theory of needs from Abraham H. Maslow and features of person who self-actualization.

Chapter IV : Discussion. This chapter consists of discussion about the personality character of Elizabeth Bennet, self-actualization of Elizabeth Bennet based on theory of need from Abraham H. Maslow and conflicts faced by Elizabeth Bennet.

Chapter V : Conclusion and Suggestion. This chapter consists of conclusion and suggestion.