CHAPTER III
RESEARCH METHOD

3.1 Research Design

The researcher used the descriptive qualitative method by analyze the novel to find some data about the general description, conflicts experience by the main character, and the setting of the story through words and sentences.

3.2 Source of Data

The researcher uses *All the Bright Places* that is published in 2015 by Penguin Books that is written by Jennifer Niven as the main source to collect data. The main theme of the book is mental illness and the characters in the book are struggling to deal with mental illness and a posttraumatic event. *All the Bright Places* have not won a lot of awards yet, because it is a new literary work, but *All the Bright Places* has won some, which are Goodreads Choice Awards in Best Young Adult Fiction and New York Times Best Seller.

The researcher also uses other references related to mental illness and theory of psychology in literature. As supported data, the researcher uses other articles and journals taken from Internet.

3.3 Unit of Analysis

3.3.1 Intrinsic element

Intrinsic element is used to analyze general description of the main character, conflicts experienced by the main character, and the setting described in the story.

3.3.2 Extrinsic element

Extrinsic element describes psychological approach especially bipolar theory experienced by the main character.
3.4 Technique of Data Collection

1. General description: the researcher found the general description of Theodore Finch from narration and dialogue with other characters.
2. Conflict: the researcher found the internal and external conflict of Theodore Finch from narration and his thoughts in the story and the external conflict from narration and dialogue with other character.
3. Setting: the researcher found the setting of time and place from narration and dialogue with other characters.
4. Phycology approach: the researcher found the physiology struggles experiences by Theodore Finch from narration, his thoughts, and dialogue with other character.

3.5 Technique of Data Analysis

3.5.1 Structural Approach

The researcher used the structural approach to analyze the general description of Theodore Finch as the main character of the story, internal and external conflicts experienced by Theodore Finch, and the setting of time and places that described by Theodore Finch.

Technique of data analysis related to structural approach is described as:

1. Describing the main character according to the frequencies of the appearances.
2. Analyzing the general descriptions of the main character based on the story in the novel.
3. Analyzing internal and external conflicts experienced by the main character based on the story in the novel.
4. Analyzing setting of time and places described by the main character.
3.5.2 Psychological Approach

In this thesis the researcher analyzed the novel using psychological approach to get the psychology condition supported by bipolar disorder of the main character. The researcher used the general description of the main character and also internal and external conflicts experienced by the main character to analyze the main character’s mental state or the psychology of the character.