

ABSTRACT

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This research analyzes the roles and challenges faced by single fathers in the novel *Two Kisses for Maddy: A Memoir of Loss and Love* by Matthew Logelin. This novel tells the true story of a single father who had to raise his daughter after losing his wife. This research aims to understand the depiction of Matt Logelin's character as a single father, the role he plays, and the challenges he faces in fulfilling his responsibilities as a parent. This research uses a descriptive qualitative approach by analyzing intrinsic elements in the novel, such as characters, themes and storyline. Primary data was taken directly from the novel, while secondary data was obtained from journals, theses and related articles. The research results show that Matt Logelin is portrayed as a loving and tough father, even though he has to face deep sadness due to the loss of his wife. The challenges he faced included emotional stress, social stigma, financial difficulties, and the need to fulfil the dual role of father and mother. However, love and dedication towards his daughter, Maddy, is the main motivation that helps Matt overcome various obstacles.

Keywords: Single Father, Parenting, Role, Challenge

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Penelitian ini menganalisis peran dan tantangan yang dihadapi ayah tunggal dalam novel *Two Kisses for Maddy: A Memoir of Loss and Love* karya Matthew Logelin. Novel ini menceritakan kisah nyata seorang ayah tunggal yang harus membesarkan putrinya setelah kehilangan istrinya. Penelitian ini bertujuan untuk memahami gambaran karakter Matt Logelin sebagai seorang ayah tunggal, peran yang ia mainkan, dan tantangan yang ia hadapi dalam memenuhi tanggung jawabnya sebagai orang tua. Penelitian ini menggunakan pendekatan kualitatif deskriptif dengan menganalisis unsur-unsur intrinsik dalam novel, seperti tokoh, tema, dan jalan cerita. Data primer diambil langsung dari novel, sedangkan data sekunder diperoleh dari jurnal, skripsi dan artikel terkait. Hasil penelitian menunjukkan bahwa Matt Logelin digambarkan sebagai ayah yang penyayang dan tangguh, meski harus menghadapi kesedihan mendalam akibat kehilangan istrinya. Tantangan yang dihadapinya antara lain tekanan emosional, stigma sosial, kesulitan keuangan, dan kebutuhan untuk memenuhi peran ganda sebagai ayah dan ibu. Namun cinta dan dedikasi terhadap putrinya, Maddy, menjadi motivasi utama yang membantu Matt mengatasi berbagai kendala.

Kata Kunci: Ayah Tunggal, Pola Asuh, Peran, Challenge

