

ABSTRACT

Rheina Maulida. 2019. **THE BULLYING AND SUICIDE IN JAY ASHER'S THIRTEEN REASONS WHY**

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This research concerns Hannah Baker, the main character of Thirteen Reasons Why novel written by Jay Asher. The researcher is interested with the novel because the story is unique and relatable. The researcher can see from the novel that even the smallest things can have a big impact. The author shows how harsh and cruel the society and world can be, and the researcher learns that even though the weight of the world is on your shoulders, suicide is not the answer.

This research is conducted to analyze bullying and suicide that happens with the main character in Thirteen Reasons Why. There are three problems analyzed in this research; (1) the types of bullying that happens to the main character; (2) the effects the main character experiences after she gets bullied; (3) the reasons the main character commits suicide. The researcher uses Objective Approach and Egoistic Suicide Theory by Emile Durkheim to analyze the problems. The data were analyzed by using descriptive qualitative method which focuses on the analysis of textual data. The data was collected by reading the novel, note-taking the data from the novel. The researcher also got the data from other references which related to the novel and the theory.

The analysis of this research results in some findings. The researcher learns the types of bullying that Hannah Baker experienced which are relational aggression, physical and sexual bullying. The after-effect of the bullying made her vulnerable, had low self-esteem and gave up on her life. The bullying is not the only reason she gave up her life, other impacts after the bullying happened such as betrayal and guilt are also the reason she ended it all.

Keywords: Thirteen Reasons Why, Hannah Baker, bullying, objective approach, egoistic suicide theory

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Penelitian ini mengenai Hannah Baker, karakter utama dalam novel Thirteen Reasons Why yang ditulis Jay Asher. Peneliti tertarik dengan novel ini karena novel ini mempunyai cerita yang unik dan berhubungan dengan dunia asli. Peneliti mendapati dari novel ini adalah hal yang paling kecil pun dapat berpengaruh besar. Penulis menunjukkan orang-orang sekitar dan dunia bisa menjadi kasar dan kejam, dan peneliti mendapati walaupun kalian lagi ada masalah besar, bunuh diri bukanlah jawabannya.

Penelitian ini bertujuan untuk menganalisa bullying dan bunuh diri yang terjadi dengan karakter utama di novel Thirteen Reasons Why. Terdapat tiga masalah utama yang dianalisa dalam penelitian ini: (1) tipe-tipe bullying yang terjadi terhadap karakter utama; (2) dampak-dampak yang karakter utama alami setelah dia di bully; (3) alasan-alasan karakter utama bunuh diri. Peneliti menggunakan pendekatan Objektif dan teori dari Emile Durkheim (Egoistic Suicide teori) dalam menganalisis permasalahan. Data dianalisa menggunakan metode deskriptif kualitatif yang berfokus pada isi dari novel. Data diperoleh dengan cara membaca novel nya dan menulis data dari novel. Peneliti juga memperoleh data dari beberapa referensi yang berkaitan dengan novel dan teori yang dipakai.

Ada beberapa hal yang ditemukan. Peneliti mendapati tipe-tipe dari bullying yang dialami Hannah Baker adalah agresi relasional, bullying secara fisik dan bullying secara seksual. Dampak dari bullying yang membuat Hannah menjadi rentan, mengalami harga diri yang rendah dan nyerah dengan hidupnya. Bullying ini bukan hanya alasan Hannah bunuh diri, ada beberapa dampak dari dari kejadian yang Hannah alami seperti pengkhianatan dan rasa bersalah yang menjadi alasan Hannah mengakhiri semuanya.

Kata kunci: Thirteen Reasons Why, Hannah Baker, Bullying, pendekatan objektif, teori egoistic suicide