

CHAPTER I. INTRODUCTION

In this chapter, the researcher displays several sub-topics that help the researcher to conduct the research. The first is *Basic consideration* which shows the reason why the researcher wants to conduct this research. The second is the *Research Question*, which shows the problem of research that the researcher should find out. The third is the *objective of study* which shows the purposes of the research that the researcher has to achieve. The last is *Significant of study* which displays the advantages of the research.

Basic Consideration

In the family, fathers play a vital role in raising children. According to Rosberg and Wilcox (2006, p. 20) “even from birth, children with father involvement are more likely to be emotionally safe, confident to explore their surroundings, and as they grow older the social relationship will get better and better with peers”. From this sentence, we can know that the father’s participation in the process of raising children is very important. This is because the fathers is a person who can make his children emotionally safe, have more confident in his own life, and have a good interactions skills in society.

In addition, Rosenberg and Wilcox also pointed out that children who have a good relationship with their father will experience less depression and will not exhibit destructive behavior. In addition, the father has made a great contribution to the development of the character and personality of the child. The father is the one who protects the children. They should ensure

that their children are not threatened by other children or adults. Then, the father plays an important role in ensuring the safety of the children.

Nowadays, in technological and cultural changes that happen in society, it has an influence on the community's life. The changes that exist also has an influence on the father's role towards his children. Many phenomena occur in a society that related to the deviation of the father's role. The father who basically acts as a figure who provides protection and security for his children turns into someone who destroys his children's life. One of the deviations is sexual harassment has done by the father to biological children. Therefore, the sexual harassment which is done by father can give a bad trauma to the children. This phenomena become one of the theme in literature works. One of the literary work that contains this phenomena is *Tell Me Your Dreams* novel by Sidney Sheldon.

According to Nurgiantoro (2002, p. 9) the novel is a work of fiction that offers a world that contains an idealized model, an imaginary world that is built through its intrinsic system such as plot, character, setting, point of view, etc. which are of course imaginative. Literary works in the form of novel usually reveal or tell stories of characters which is resulted from the conflicts experienced

This novel is published by Vision in 1999 consisting of 210 pages. This novel tells about a woman named Ashley Patterson. She is described as a woman with past trauma because she has been raped by her own father repeatedly and she can not stop him. Her father named is dr.Patterson and he

is a famous doctor in society. The society like him because according to the society he is a selfless man who always helps people in need. In addition, despite of his kindness, he is actually a devil who disguises himself as an Hero. He is an abnormal father, who rapes his own daughter. He does it continuously and makes Ashley gets trauma. Moreover the trauma of Ashley makes her get Multiple Personality Disorder (Asri, 2013. p.18). This is a kind of mental disorder that makes the people who suffer from it will have more than one personality in her self. This situation influences Ashley's social life and destroys her life. For example, the mental disorder that is suffered by Ashley makes her become a murderer.

In the previous study, that is conducted by Asri (2013, p.18) with a title *an analysis of Multiple Personality Disorder of main Character in Tell Me your Dreams by Sidney Sheldon*, it is found that Ashley Patterson has multiple personalities. She has two personalities that are Tony Prescott and Alette Peters. Ashley Patterson has multiple personalities that are different from her personality because she wants to against her fright. When she gets abused, Ashley's other personalities will take her role. In addition, besides the research of Asri, there are also several research that study about Sidney Sheldon novel *Tell Me Your Dreams*. There are *Multiple Personality Character in Tell Me your Dreams of Siney Sheldon novel* by Zumiati (2012), *Multiple Personalites Character of the main character in Sidney Sheldon's novel Tell Me Your Dreams* by Fathur (2019), *An analysis of Ashley Patterson's Personality Disorder found in Sidney Sheldon's Novel Tell Me Your Dreams* by Khunto (2016),

After reading Sidney Sheldon's novel *Tell me Your Drams*, it is clearly shown that something wrong with dr. Patterson personalities. A normal father will provide protection for their children and will do anything to make their children happy but dr. Patterson does not do it. He did something bad to Ashley when she was a child. He raped Ashley repeatedly and made her as a sex slave. Furthermore, the harmful deed of dr. Patterson stated in

“She was in bed. He sat down next to her and said, "I'm going to make you very happy, baby," and began tickling her, and she was laughing. And then he took her pajamas off, and he started playing with her. "Don't my hands feel good?" Ashley started screaming, "Stop it. Don't do that." But he wouldn't stop”. (*Tell Me Your Dreams*,1999.p.189).

From the description above, it is known that dr. Patterson sexually abused Ashley. This is clearly illustrated in the sentence "he took her pajamas off, and he started playing with her. "Don't my hands feel good?" Ashley started screaming, "Stop it. Don't do that." But he wouldn't stop”. In this sentence, it shows that dr. Patterson sexually abused Ashley. Sexual abuse that does by dr. Patterson to Ashley, clearly illustrated by his actions that comes to Ashley and then releases the pajama that is used by Ashley, besides that dr. Patterson also says words that make Ashley screaming. From this description, we can conclude that there is something wrong with dr. Patterson psychologically. A father who has a heart to destroy his daughter's life is not normal.

Research Question

Based on the description in the novel the researcher think that it is very interesting to analyse the personality of father who raped their daughter. It is because this is not a common thing that the normal people will do,the researcher believe that there is something wrong with dr.Patterson's personality. Then it inspires the researcher to formulate a research question "How is the personality of Dr. Patterson in the novel *Tell Me Your Dreams* by Sidney Sheldon ?"

The Purpose of Study

Furthermore, the aims of this research are to analyze the personalities of dr. Patterson in the novel *Tell me your Dream* by Sidney Sheldon.

The Significance of Study

This research is conducted to provide benefits to various parties. The results of this research are expected to provide a contribution of thought and complete literature research in English Department at the State University of Gorontalo. Besides that, the results of this study will give information to the reader about someone's personality in the novel.