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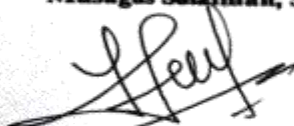
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The objectives of this study were to find out the meaning of moral and educational values and to find out moral and educational values presented in *Small Great Things* novel. The writer used qualitative method in this thesis. The sources of this data were primary data and secondary data. In findings the writer found seven moral values those are respect, self-control, acceptance, kindness, responsibility, politeness, and honesty. Furthermore, the writer found four educational values in the novel such as religion educational value, culture educational value, social educational value and moral educational value. The characters in the novel indirectly implied the meaning of the moral and educational values; therefore the readers can understand the novel easily. The implication of this study to the teaching English as a foreign language is that the values inside the novel. In the other words when the teachers teach literature explicitly they teach about the values to the students.

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CHAPTER I

INTRODUCTION

This chapter presents (1) background of the study, (2) problem of the study, (3) objective of the study, (4) significance of the study.

I.1 Background of the Study

Literature is creative writing of human in fantasy, feeling and visions in to words and become a story to entertain the reader. According to Baldick (2001) literature is a body written works related by subject-matter by language or place of origin or by prevailing cultural standard of merit. In this last sense “literature” is taken to include oral, dramatic and broadcast competitions that may not have been published in written form which have been preserved (p.141). Literature is writing study in books or about a story that become drama, fictions, essays, poetry and biography. We know prose is one of literature genres beside poem, poetry, and drama it give the emotion for people to feel it.

Baldick (2001) says that novel normally has long text justify publication in an independent volume. A novel frequently incorporated the structures and language of non-fiction. It has one characteristic and preferably several characters in process of changed and social relationships (p. 173). Novel can be categorized as a long text that has story, character, feelings and moral value. Novel can describe the story with the plot. The plot will lead the reader to find problem and conclusion of the story also make readers feel the emotions, sorrow and happiness in story.

Based on the explanation stated the novels often include non-fiction languages. The novel has a long text consisting of various characters, feelings and values. In the novel there is a plot that will direct the reader to the main problems and conclusions and also make the reader feel the emotions in the novel.

According to Webster (2004), novel is an imaginative prose narrative of some length, usually concerned with human experience and social behavior and normally cast in the form of a connected story the novel is genre of literature (p.7). Novel is concerned with human experience or does the research about the story before writing and publishing. Based on this statement novel is a long literary work usually focused on human experiences or human social behavior.

Many students read the novel just for fun, entertainment and etc. They do not know about the message or values in the novel, like moral and educational values. So, the writer in this study discussed about moral and educational values from a novel written by Jodi Picoult, *Small Great Things*.

There are many good novels that can give us many values of life. One of the adorable novels is *Small Great Things*. It is the twenty fifth which written by Jodi Picoult. First published in October 2016. The story of the novel is really interesting, this novel tells the story of a nurse who gets discriminatory treatment because of skin color, because in America there is a racist regarding skin color.

Small Great Thing is American novel written by Jodi Picoult. According to Picoult (2016) this novel is focused on a nurse of African American descent named

Ruth Jefferson who is in charge of a newborn baby in the Connecticut hospital, Ruth is instructed not to approach and touch a newborn baby from supremacist partner. After the baby died in his care, Ruth was charged with murder and brought to justice.

Based on explanation stated, the writer is interested in analyzing a novel in her study entitled “*An Analysis of Moral and Educational Values in Jodi Picoult’s Novel Small Great Things*”.

I.2 Problem of the Study

I.2.1 Limitation of the Problem

In this study, the writer limited the problems by taking and analyzing a novel *Small Great Things* written by Jodi Picoult which contained moral and educational values from the novel, types of moral and educational values and also the way presenting moral and educational values depend on novel itself.

I.2.2 Formulation of the Problem

In this study the writer formulated the problems on the following questions as follows:

1. What are the meaning of moral and educational values in novel small great things written by Jodi Picoult
2. Moral and educational values found in small great things novel written by Jodi Picoult.

I.3 The Objective of the Study

The objective of this study are to find out the meaning of moral and educational values and to find out moral and educational values presented in novel small great thing written by Jodi Picoult.

I.4 Significance of the Study

1.4.1 Teacher of English

Hopefully this study will be useful for teacher to teach about literature and would give valuable information to the students and hopefully it will be useful a giving some contribution and information about English literature.

1.4.2 Students

Hopefully this study can give an information to students about literature, moral and educational value and can be reference for study literature and also this study give advantage as a learning media for students, especially about literature and make the study more easier, and this paper can helpful for students and make them interested to learn literature.

1.4.3 Readers

This study hopefully can be information and useful to readers to learn about literature, moral and educational values and can be references to other researcher to support.

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