

CHAPTER 1

INTRODUCTION

1.1 Background of the Problem

The Wife Between Us is a novel written by Greer Hendricks and Sarah Pekkanen. They lived in Manhattan with her husband and two children. She worked at Allure magazine and obtained her master's in journalism from Columbia University. Her writing has been published in The New York Times and Publisher Weekly. *The Wife Between Us* is her first novel. In the novel she collaborates with Sarah Pekkanen. *The Wife Between Us* about Greer and Sarah's marriage life. This book tells about how perception can reality because both of the characters and the reader pull on wrong perception. The apparent jealous relationship Vanessa Thompson turns out to be the one who orchestrated her husband's affair while the princely Richard Thomas turns out to be less than perfect.

We all know that every person will experience a variety of emotions that they themselves will absolutely feel hard to express, understand or cope with. This novel tells about Vanessa describes her life after she gets a divorce from Richard with a jealousy and anxiety theories. She appears to be a jealous ex-wife because she breaks down when she learns that Richard is marrying the girl with whom he had an affair. Vanessa's story is told in alternating chapters with the story of Nellie, a woman who is preparing for her wedding to Richard. I assume Nellie is the girlfriend of whom Vanessa is jealous. As the novel progresses it becomes clear that Nellie and Vanessa are the same person. Nellie was Richard's nickname for Vanessa. This part of the novel demonstrates how much Vanessa changed while she was married to Richard. She is obsessed with Richard's new girlfriend not because she wants Richard back but because she wants to warn her about Richard's real personality.

As we also know, jealousy is one of a complicated feelings and emotions that all people experience. Once we feel love or fall in love and jealousy, it brought a lot of unexplained and unexpected emotions to us. There is so many kinds of jealousy if we look around us. Some experts have also pointed it out in their theories. There is not only about happy love, but it can be jealousy.

The reason I am interested in analyzing this novel is the good character that is possessed by the main characters of this novel. Nellie and Vanessa can show their good character in every situation. Even when they are having a problem, they can solve it well and great together.

According to the summary above, the story focusing on the main characters in this novel. I would like to analyze this literary work through the intrinsic and extrinsic approaches. Through intrinsic approach, I use characterization, plot and setting. Through extrinsic approach, I use psychology literature and the concept to analyze the main characters.

1.2 Identification of the Problem

Based on the background of the problem above, I identify the problem of the main characters, Vanessa her ex-wife is jealousy of Nellie a young girl and she anxiety about the marriage other Richard her husband. Sometimes there is a situation or condition when our complex emotion activated by a real or perceived threat to the relationship and anxiety is one of the important normally and regularly occurring emotions. Therefore, I assume that the theme of this novel is The Anxiety and Jealousy in Greer Hendricks and Sarah Pekkanen's Novel *The Wife Between Us*.

1.3 Limitation of the problem

According to the identification of the problem above, the problems of this research are limited to anxiety and jealousy. The applied concepts are through intrinsic approaches, such as showing and telling method, characterization, plot, and setting. Through extrinsic approach is throughout psychology literature with the concept of love theories.

1.4 Formulation of the problem

Based on the limitation of the problem above, the problem is identified according to the anxiety and jealousy theories that are reflected in Greer Hendricks and Sarah Pekkanen's novel *The Wife Between Us*. Therefore, the problems of this research are formulated as follows:

1. What are the characterization is through telling and showing method?
2. What are the setting and plot in this novel?
3. What are the aspects of theory of anxiety and jealousy in this novel?
4. What is the theme that can be built through intrinsic and extrinsic approach?

1.5 Objectives of the Research

Based on the formulation of the problem above, the aim of this research is to prove the assumption the theory of the anxiety and jealousy through the main character in Greer Hendricks and Sarah Pekkanen's novel *The Wife Between Us*. To achieve the objectives, there are several steps that are supposed to be done as follows:

1. To analyze the characterization is through telling and showing method.
2. To analyze the setting and plot in this novel.
3. To analyze the aspects of theory of love in this novel.
4. To analyze the theme of this book through intrinsic and extrinsic approach.

1.6 Benefit of the Research

This research is expected could provide the benefit for the reader who has the same analysis or need to know more about many kinds anxiety and jealousy and its effect. Also to provide the benefit for those who are interested in understanding about Greer Hendricks and Sarah Pekkanen's Novel *The Wife Between Us* through psychology concept by using extrinsic concept approach based on the theory of anxiety and jealousy.

1.7 Systematic Organization of the Research

Based on the benefits of the research above, systematic organization of this research is arranged as follows:

CHAPTER I

INTRODUCTION

It consists of Background of the Research, Identification of the Problem, Limitation of the Problem, Formulation of the Problem, Objectives of the Problem, Methods of the Research, Benefit of the research and Systematic Organization of the Research.

CHAPTER II

FRAMEWORK OF THEORIES

It consist of intrinsic and extrinsic approaches. Intrinsic approaches will be through characterization, plot and setting. The extrinsic approach is throughout psychology literature using the concept of love theory.

CHAPTER III

RESEARCH METHOD

It consists of the explain the research method. The researcher examines this using descriptive qualitative method. It develops story though some elements characterization through showing and telling methods, plot and setting. The analyzes above are shown in some sub chapters.

CHAPTER IV

THE ANXIETY AND JEALOUSY THEORY IN GREER HENDRICKS AND SARAH PEKKANEN'S NOVEL *THE WIFE BETWEEN US*

It consists of a brief explanation of this chapter's contents, analysis of finding on the theory of anxiety and jealousy in Greer Hendricks and Sarah Pekkanen's Novel *The*

Wife Between Us through characterization, setting and plot. The analyzes above are shown in some sub-chapters.

CHAPTER V

CONCLUSION

It consists of the conclusion that proves the theme of this novel is Theory of Anxiety and Jealousy in Greer Hendricks and Sarah Pekkanen's Novel *The Wife Between Us*.

ENCLOSURE

ATTACHMENT

The chapters above are followed by references scheme of the research, research poster, curriculum vitae, and other required attachments.

