

## CHAPTER V

### CONCLUSION

After analyzing *The Perfect Child* novel through the intrinsic approach, which consisting of characterization by showing method, plot, setting, elaborated with analysis through extrinsic approach by using trauma and psychopath concept, it can be concluded that Janie in *The Perfect Child* novel by Lucinda Berry reflects trauma and psychopath.

In the characterization, there are three characters that have been analyzed by Pickering & Hooper theory, which are Janie, Hannah, and Christopher. The major character of this novel, Janie, has three characters which are naughty, clever and jealous person. As a naughty person, she behave badly and doesn't do what she is told to do by her parents. As a clever person, she become one of the brightest kids in her class. As a jealous person, she feels that Christopher only cares about Hannah, and she's afraid that she will get replaced by Cole. The second character of this novel, Hannah, has three characters which are loving, worrier, and neat person. As a loving person, he sincerely loves Christopher so much. As a worrier person, sometimes she worry about things that didn't even happen yet. For the last, as a neat person, she always cleaned her house repeatedly even if it's already clean. The third character of this novel, Christopher, has three characters which are loving, kind and good looks person. As a loving person, he sincerely loves Hannah so much. As a kind person, he is so generous because Janie's nurses have wonderful things to say about him, about how helpful and care he is for Janie. And as a good looks person, he makes Hannah amazed because of his good looks.

Furthermore, I use the concept of trauma by Nancy Boyd Webb and psychopath concept by Stefan Verstappen to describe the personality of Janie. The result of the intrinsic approach that I elaborates with the extrinsic approach are proves that the theme of this novel is Trauma that Leads to Psychopath Traits on Janie in Lucinda Berry's Novel *The Perfect Child*. This is because Janie as the major character that I analyze reflects her trauma and psychopath personality in the way she behaves and talks.

In this research, the data collected from *The Perfect Child* novel, which Janie as the major character. The analysis is describing the psychopath traits that Janie

shows as the effect of her trauma in the novel. In accordance to the novel, Janie has serious psychological problems in her life and her mind. There are two parts of result after analyzing the data. There are symptoms of Janie's trauma and Janie's psychopathy.

The first result is the symptoms of Janie's trauma. Her trauma is the reason she become a psychopath, because of her tragic childhood memories. Janie cannot escape from her tragic memories when she was still lived with her biological mother, Becky, because she has been abused by her. Becky also locked and tied her up with a dog collar. Since then, it is always bothering her mind and it's become trauma. There are several symptoms found in Janie's trauma. Those are fear, sadness and anger. Actually, she is afraid and angry about her memories, but she against that through becomes an aggressive and violent person. She does bad things to refresh her distressfully mind.

Second result is the symptoms of Janie's psychopathy. Discussing Janie, I found some psychological problems she has. There are several symptoms found in Janie's psychopathy. Those are lack of empathy, lack of remorse, impulsive behavior and poor behavior control, compulsive lying, and manipulative. Her memories when she was a child influence to her mind until she got adopted by the Bauers. She is easy to be emotional and aggressive to cover her fear and her anger. Like an innocent kid, she never feels sorry to her bad behaviors or her crimes.

The moral values of this research is (probably for the parents and other family members) to always pay attention to the child's childhood and give them affection and love as much as possible and do not do physical or verbal abuse to children so that the child does not experience any childhood trauma that will affect them until they become an adult.

According to this research, it is potential for the next research to analyze *The Perfect Child* novel through other approaches or concepts. This research also can introduce the student of the English Language and Culture Department about tauma and psychopath in literary work. This research also can use as a comparison to write a better analysis.