

CHAPTER 5

CONCLUSION

Based on the results of the analysis, I conclude that the novel has the theme of the teen's struggle suffering from Cystic Fibrosis who is struggling for their recovery. In short, the novel *Five Feet Apart* shows the characters, actions, situations, times, places, and also symbols that describe the teen's struggle in the whole story.

In this study I analyzed the theme of teen's struggle through the characters, plot, and setting contained in the novel *Five Feet Apart*. The theme of teen's struggle that is portrayed through the characters is clearly visible through Stella Grant and Will Newman. Stella who ambitious and full hope about her recovery while Will who is very pessimistic about his recovery. Stella, who has had Cystic Fibrosis since the age of six, has never stopped giving up for her recovery. Stella wanted so badly to get well for her parents because she felt she could not leave them. Will was pessimistic when he was diagnosed with Burkholderia Cepacia, he thought he would end up dying.

The theme of the teen's struggle described by the plot can be seen from how Stella and Will are fighting their illness, and how they struggle to stay together. In the plot each quotation describes in every detail how they both struggled to fight their disease and it ends with Stella who gets new lungs and Will who is still struggling to fight for his recovery.

The theme of teen's struggle which is depicted by the setting started when Stella was hospitalized when she was six years old at Saint Grace hospital. Saint Grace hospital is where Stella and Will start the story and Saint Grace hospital is also the starting place Stella and Will meet and do treatment together. During Stella and Will struggled to recover, they felt feelings of sadness, happiness, enthusiasm, despair, and patience.

In novel *Five Feet Apart*, there are also symbols, such as Abby's lung drawing, pool cue, and nose cannula. The symbol of Abby's lung drawing is a symbol of Stella's appreciation for Abby for wanting Stella to get a transplant. The pool cue symbol is a symbol of love struggle, with the pool cue they can fight for their love, they can still walk together as long as the distance specified by the pool cue. The symbol of nose cannula is a symbol of life struggle. With the nose cannula, Stella and Will can breathe smoothly even though Will doesn't use it.

Therefore, these symbols can support the title of the novel *Five Feet Apart*, both the symbols contained in the intrinsic and in the theme refer to how Stella and Will deal with Cystic Fibrosis. This novel is dedicated to patients with Cystic Fibrosis where each patient has to maintain a distance of six feet but in this novel because of the love between Stella and Will they reduce the steps to five feet. So *Five Feet Apart* has the meaning of life struggle and love struggle for Stella and Will.

Therefore, I conclude that the theme of the novel *Five Feet Apart* is teen's struggle. It can be seen from the characters, plot, setting, and symbol in the novel *Five Feet Apart*.

