

CHAPTER 1

INTRODUCTION

1.1 Background of the Problem

The content is involved Screenwriter for a film, computer game or TV show, Scripts can be either unique works or renditions of existing bits of composing. In the movies, the developments, articulations, and discoursed of the person are undeniably described. A play for television known as a teleplay one of the literary works that has a structural similarity to a drama, meaning that a screenplay script also has a background story, characterization, plot, and themes. (Saputri 2016)

The movie script *Hidden Figures* tells the true story of the role of "hidden figures" black women who were then a minority in the Hampton a city in Virginia United States (US) with the setting of the 1960s era. These figures are represented by three central figures, namely Katherine Johnson, Dorothy Vaughan, and Mary Jackson. Each character has a unique character and is faced with different but similar conflicts. Unfortunately, Katherine, Dorothy, Mary, and other black women who worked at NASA were often discriminated against. For example, the women had to work in a separate building from the white women and were only allowed to use the black toilets and canteen. These women are also often belittled for their work at NASA, by both black (DuRocher, 2011) men themselves and men in general.

Throughout the movie script, the plot that is presented is linear and quite cliché. On the other hand, the actions of the leaders in fighting discrimination are also not extreme and dangerous, they only hope that they can work without any reduction in their rights. Despite using such a simple plot and depiction of characters, *Hidden Figures* does not lose its opportunity to teach the audience about the badness of discrimination. The simplicity of *Hidden Figures* in describing the characters can actually make the message about discrimination closer to everyday life and easily absorbed by the audience.

Race is a classification system used to categorize humans into large populations or large groups. Race differences and other differences create a mindset on how to perceive ideas that are considered unfamiliar. When someone

identifies a person as belonging to or a member of a particular group based on their physical appearance, culture, or ethnic origin, this can be seen as racial discrimination. However, the term racial discrimination itself refers to negative actions such as prejudice, discrimination, and hate speech to races that are considered inferior, caused by the emergence of races that think their race is the best.

I use theory of (Pincus F. L., 1996) that according this theory there was kinds of racial discrimination divided in three types that are personal discrimination, institutional discrimination, and structural discrimination.

The reason for choosing the issue of discrimination in this study is because the issue of discrimination, especially in the United States in the 1960s, was very interesting to study considering the issue of discrimination against blacks has a long history since the days of slavery. In the 60's this issue heated up and reached the peak of the upheavals mobilized by society black people to demand equal rights with the community majority. Even after decades have passed the issue of discrimination against the black race in America still exists today.

What makes the writer interested in researching this Hidden Figures Movie Script is because This film has succeeded in conveying the main issue, namely the portrait of the issue racial discrimination in the United States. Submission of the theme discrimination in this film is delivered lightly, but packaged interesting so as not to make us as viewers feel bored. By because of that the Hidden Figures storyline is very easy to accept and follow. Because This film and movie script is an adaptation of the novel written by Margot Lee Shetterly is a true story untold story. it will make this story look more interesting to reveal the real discrimination experienced by those women minorities in America. And provide an overview stories about the behavior of the majority race when discriminating against racial minorities in the United States.

1.2 Identification of the Problem

According to the background of the research above, I identify research problems such as how these three main characters are discriminated against as black people. The results show that racial discrimination in this movie script emerges because three main character from a black race. They proved that they can be freed from bullying and able to equally stand beside white people in America with their determination and hard work. The sociological approach experienced by these three main character is used to analyze extrinsic aspects such as racial discrimination.

1.3 Limitation of the Problem

Based on the identification of the problem above, I limit the problem to prove the theme through intrinsic and extrinsic approaches. Through an intrinsic approach, I use characterization, plot, and setting. Then, through an extrinsic approach, I used the sociology literature approach through racial discrimination theory of (Pincus F. L., 1996)

1.4 Formulation of the Problem

Based on the description above, I formulated the problem as follows:

- 1.4.1. What are characterizations of the main character through showing method used in the “*Hidden figures*” movie script?
- 1.4.2. What are the plot and setting in the “*Hidden figures*” movie script?
- 1.4.3. What are the concept of sociology of literature through racial discrimination theory of Fred L Pincus in the “*Hidden figures*” movie script?
- 1.4.4. How is the theme of the movie script “*Hidden Figures*” elaborated through intrinsic and extrinsic approaches?

1.5 Objectives of the Research

To achieve the objectives of this research, the writer did several stages as follows:

- 1.5.1. To analyse characterization of the main character using showing method in the “*Hidden Figures*” movie script.
- 1.5.2. To analyse the plot and setting in the “*Hidden Figures*” movie script.
- 1.5.3. To analyse the movie script “*Hidden Figures*” by using the concepts of sociology of literature through Fred L Pincus theory.
- 1.5.4. To elaborate the theme by using the intrinsic and extrinsic approach.

1.6 Benefit of the Research

Based on the things above, this research is expected to be useful for those who are interested in deepening their knowledge of literature on related topics. This research may be useful for those who are interested in the analysis of literary works using the concepts mentioned above. Practically, this research is expected to be a reference for other similar research. The benefit of research is to use of research results later, both for benefit program or program development and the interest of science. Specifically, the benefits of research in any field include two aspects:

1.6.1. Theoretical Benefit

This research can provide knowledge, especially about racial discrimination and sociology of literature.

1.6.2. Practical benefit

This research is expected to be able to increase knowledge, and provide answers to the problems being studied. And this research are be able to provide input material sources of information and ideas for further research.

1.7 Systematic Organization of the Research

Based on the explanation above, the systematic organization of this research are:

CHAPTER 1: INTRODUCTION, contains Background of the Problem, Identification of the Problem, Limitation of the Problem, Formulation of the Problem, Objective of the Research, and Systematic Organization of the Research.

CHAPTER 2: THEORETICAL FRAMEWORK, contains of Racial Discrimination Theory, and Previous of the Research.

CHAPTER 3: RESEARCH METHODS, contains Time and Location, Research Approach and Method, Research Object and Data, and Data Collection Technique.

CHAPTER 4: RACIAL DISCRIMINATION AGAINST BLACK WOMEN IN HIDDEN FIGURES FILM BY THEODORE MELVIE, contains the character analysis based on setting and plot, the factors that lead into the problem using the theory in Chapter 2

CHAPTER 5: CONCLUSIONS, contains an evaluation of the previous chapters and implications of the research results.

