CHAPTER 5

CONCLUSION

Based on the research above, Arthur Fleck suffers complicated narcissism with some characteristics that showed in the data. The first characteristic of narcissism is the self-entitlement behavior. In this behavior, people who suffer narcissism will always try to force people to fulfill their needs, if their needs are not fulfilled, usually they will become angry. Thus, they will be created second characteristic of narcissism which is lack of empathy. Arthur Fleck clearly has showed his lack of empathy behavior multiple times in the data. Another narcissism that Arthur have is preoccupied his mind with fantasy. People with narcissism especially Arthur have tendency to fantasies themselves to succeed in something. For example, they imagine themselves to be a successful comedian where as in the reality they are not funny enough to be a comedian or tend to joking about improper things. Lastly, people with narcissism also will show arrogance behavior and self-importance. They think that they are better than everyone and despise them.

Narcissism, unfortunately, is one of mental illness that can not be cured. Once a person suffered narcissism in their life, it will keep bounded. The only thing they can do is to control them. Everyone can suffer narcissism in their life, narcissism can happen to someone usually in the early of their childhood. Lack of attention is one of common cause of someone develop narcissism. In Arthur Fleck's case, barely anyone in his life give him enough attention. So, the only way to him to gain attention other people is by doing crimes. Some people will do anything in their life including crimes to gain attention

This research is hopefully can be useful for other researchers that wanted to analyze "the joker" with similar topic. The reason as to why I interested to analyze "the joker" through narcissism is there are similarities Arthur Fleck's narcissism with real people in the world as well as the cause behind of narcissism. Narcissism is one of mental illness which has to be treated very seriously, consider how dangerous it is if not treated soon or later. People with narcissism are usually being nuisance to the society. People also should not to treat them badly as a narcissist will develop anti personality and sadist behavior. For the purpose to someone who wanted to research with similar topic, I recommend that to use even more deeper narcissism theory as this research is not completely perfect for the readers or researchers.