

Abstract

The research entitled “**An Analysis of plot and characterization in Sparks’s *The Choice*.**” was given to the English Department Pasundan University for completing the final research needed. The content of this document is written about plot and characterization, because by describing and analyzing plot and characterization the writer could improve understanding of literary work. The writer chooses to analyze plot and characterization in Sparks’s *The Choice*. The reason why the writer chooses *The Choice* novel because this novel gets the writer special attention. *The Choice* is a romantic novel written by Nicholas Sparks, this story tells about one man who has everything in his life, and one day he found one woman and changed his life. This research is done by using a qualitative approach. This research deals with words consisting of text of narrative, descriptive, and dialogue. To describe, analyze and interpret all of the observations and data found in this research, the writer used several steps in collecting and analyzing the data, these are: reading the novel, finding, underlining, and writing down the sentences, the writer will do a literary review about literature especially about plot and characterization, and display the data. The process of this research would be doing reading deeply and literary reviewing about plot and characterization which uses to keep this research stick to the main aims. The data consist of narrative, descriptive, and dialogue text. Used data reduction for collecting main data after reading and make summaries and focuses on the important data. And set the result and make a conclusion. After doing this research the writer found some results. The plot in the novel using progressive plot. And the plot in this story is simple, it does not make the readers think hard to understand this novel. And has a different style from the author. Character which has an important role, there are two lead characters in the novel. There are Travis and Gaby. These two lead characters have characteristics that have been made by the author. Travis is described as a handsome person which was born from a well family and he is an animal lover. He really adores his dad and, and he followed his father’s footsteps as a veterinarian. Travis is a stubborn person and ambitious. He is passionate on something and very loyal to his friends and family. The second main character is Gaby. Gaby is described as a pretty woman but ignorant and introverted person. Gaby was born from a well-off family, her life is managed by her mom, because of that she cannot take a decision based on her own heart. In the other side, Gaby is a passionate person and wants to learn, and wants to make people around her happy.

Keywords: Literature, Plot, Characterization, Sparks’s *The Choice*