

Chapter 3

Research Methodology

3.1 Research Design

This research applied qualitative method. In obtaining the data, the writer uses a descriptive method. Qualitative research is a research that focuses on understanding, rather than predicting or controlling, phenomena. Berg (2007: 3) “Qualitative Research (QR) thus refers to the meaning, concepts, definition, characteristics, metaphors, symbols, and descriptions of things”.

Sudjana and Ibrahim (1989: 3) *penelitian sebagai suatu kegiatan yang dilakukan secara sistematis untuk mengumpulkan, mengolah dan menyimpulkan data dengan menggunakan metode dan teknik tertentu dalam rangka mencari jawaban atas permasalahan yang dihadapi* explains that the notion of research as an activity undertaken systematically to collect, process and conclude the data with the use of specific methods and techniques in order to find answers to the problems encountered.

Bogdan and Bicklen (1992) in Sugiyono (2009: 9) describe five features that characterize qualitative research as follows:

1. Qualitative research has the natural setting as the direct source of data the researcher is the key instrument.

2. Qualitative data are collected in the form of words or pictures rather than numbers.
3. Qualitative researchers are concerned with process rather than simply with outcomes or products.
4. Qualitative researchers tend to analyze their data inductively.
5. “Meaning” is of essential of the qualitative approach.

Meleong (1988:25) explained that: “The aimed function of qualitative research is to find theories which all of them derived from the data. The collected data will become the supporting theories in this research”. The writer chooses the qualitative and descriptive method because these methods are suitable to be used as conducted to analyze, explain, collective data, and classify data.

3.2 Procedures of Taking the Data for Analysis

In collecting the data, the writer searches sources. The procedures are mentions below:

- The writer reads the *Pudarnya Pesona Cleopatra* novel to obtain the women character’s characterization aspect and also the related problems underline the sentence contain woman character that appears of the dialogue, conflict, monologue of novelist.

- After reading, the writer tries to identify woman character that appears in the novel. They are Indonesian woman (Raihana) and Egypt woman.
- Underline the sentences that prove about women character's characterization in Shirazy's *Pudarnya Pesona Cleopatra*.
- Collect the sources such as text books, journals, articles, dictionaries, and internet.
- Identify and classification Raihana and Egypt woman character's characterization.
- Then, the writer review or re-checks each sentences and the data to be final for the analysis.

The writer used several techniques to complete the analysis of the novel. This research is to find out the classification of woman character that happen. Writing down the sentences and find the meaning of sentences contain women character in *Pudarnya Pesona Cleopatra*.