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Abstract

This research analyzes the novel "Saturday with Father" by Adhitya Mulya, which depicts the deep and lasting influence of a father's legacy on his family, even after death. Through previously recorded video messages, Gunawan Garnida continues to guide and shape the lives of his wife and children. Gunawan's teachings emphasize the importance of responsibility, hard work, and moral integrity, which play an important role in shaping the character of his children. The research method used is descriptive qualitative, with data collected through literature study and novel content analysis. Data were analyzed using Michael E. Lamb's Fathering theory, which helps identify the impact of Gunawan's teachings on character development and family relationships. The results showed that Gunawan's teachings, complemented by the resilience and perseverance of Itje, his wife, provided significant emotional and practical support for the family. The journey of Satya and Cakra, their children, illustrates the challenges of combining inherited wisdom with their personal identities. This research confirms that effective parenting can transcend generations and continue to positively influence the lives of individuals and families. It is hoped that this research can contribute to literary studies with different methods and deepen understanding of the values of education and parenting in fiction. In addition, it is hoped that it can provide practical insights that are relevant for everyday life and enrich the academic literature on parenting.

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