

CHAPTER V

CONCLUSION AND SUGGESTION

5.1. Conclusion

When analyzing the social activities and occupations of British society from the novel *Oliver twist* in 19th century, the researcher found that there are three perspectives of literary sociology according to Alan Swingewood (1972) Namely: 1) Sociology of literature views literature as a social document that reflects the situation when the word was written. 2) Sociology of literature views literary works as a reflection of the author's social conditions. 3) Sociology of literature views literary works as historical moments.

Based on the three perspectives above, the first perspective that views literature as a social document is the right perspective to be applied in this research. This research only analyzed social activities and occupation in *Oliver Twist* novel. The researcher did not discussed about how literature is a reflection of the author. This is the reason the researcher only applies the first perspective and does not apply the second or third perspective. While in the third aspect, where in this aspect historical events become the basis for analysis in research. Based on the three aspects described above, the author concluded that the researcher only applied the first aspect as an object of research based on the phenomena found in *Oliver Twist's* novel, namely: social

activities, occupation, marriage, social status and social conditions. While the second and third aspects were not applied in this study, because the researchers did not find any phenomena related to the second and third aspects. Many phenomena of social activity in the 19th century contained in the novel *Oliver Twist* discovered by researchers, namely wearing black at funerals, invitations to drink tea, and wearing the best suit on Sundays. In addition, there are also phenomena about occupation described in *Oliver Twist's* novel in the 19th century such as doctors, coffee makers, shopkeepers, field marshals, robbers, maids, servants, gardeners and policemen, these are the conclusions of the whole this research.

5.2 Suggestion

After the researcher finished this research, the researcher would like to convey some suggestions to the readers. First, the researcher hopes that the reader will know the basics of a literary work, be it short stories or novels. Readers also gain an understanding of sociological theory and can relate literature to sociology. In addition, readers can also have an understanding of how to apply sociological theory in studying research related to social phenomena such as social activity and occupation as well as in this study, which analyzes social activity and occupation in the novel *Oliver Twist* by Charles Dickens using the theory of Alan Swingewood. Finally, for students of the University of Putera Batam, this thesis can be used as a reference in the preparation of a thesis on the sociology of literature by Alan Swingewood.