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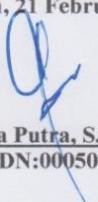
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## **ABSTRAK**

Penelitian ini bertujuan menafsirkan novel “Little Women” karya Louisa May Alcott dari sudut pandang psikologis. Novel ini dipublish pada tahun 1868 dan merupakan sebuah cerita tentang kehidupan sang penulis. Peneliti memfokuskan penelitian pada aktualisasi diri dari karakter terutama tujuan dari penelitian ini adalah untuk mendeskripsikan kebutuhan yang telah dipenuhi oleh Josephine sebelum dia mencapai kebutuhan aktualisasi dirinya dan mendeskripsikan kriteria aktualisasi diri yang dimiliki karakter utama tersebut. Dalam penelitian ini, peneliti menggunakan teori dari Abraham H. Maslow yaitu Hierarki Kebutuhan Maslow. Penelitian ini adalah penelitian kualitatif deskriptif. Dalam mengumpulkan data, peneliti menggunakan metode dokumentasi. Dalam proses analisis data, metode yang digunakan oleh peneliti adalah metode kualitatif dengan Teknik membaca lebih dalam, mengelompokkan data berdasarkan teori yang digunakan dan menemukan aspek ekstrinsik/intrinsic dalam novel “Little Women”. Dalam mempresentasikan hasil penelitian, peneliti menggunakan presentasi informal dengan menjelaskan melalui kata-kata dan kalimat. Dari data tersebut ditemukan bahwa kebutuhan aktualisasi diri Josephine March terpenuhi, dan kemudian ia memiliki criterio aktualisasi diri bahwa ia bebas dari psikopatologi, mengalami kemajuan melalui hierarki kebutuhan, dan ia memiliki nilai-nilai B dan terakhir adalah dia dapat menggunakan bakatnya untuk mencapai apa yang menjadi impiannya.

**Kata Kunci:** Kebutuhan aktualisasi diri; Novel; Psikologis.

## **ABSTRACT**

*This research is aimed at interpreting “Little Women” novel by Louisa May Alcott from psychological point of view. The novel is first published at 1868 and the story tells about the life of author. The researcher focuses on analyzing self actualization of the main character. The purpose of this study to describe needs have been fulfilled by Josephine before she achieve herself actualization needs and describe the criteria of self actualization the main character have. In this study, researcher used a theory from Maslow namely Hierarchy of Needs. This research is a descriptive qualitative research. In collecting data, researcher used the documentation method. In the process of data analysis, the method used is a qualitative method by conducting deeper reading techniques, categorizing data based on the theories used and finding extrinsic/intrinsic aspect in the “Little Women”. In presenting the result of research, researcher use informal presentation by explaining through words and sentences. From analyzed the data it is found that the self-actualization needs of Josephine March are fulfilled, and she has the criteria of self actualization that she is free from psychopathology, had progress through the hierarchy of needs, she has the B-value and the last is she able to used her talent to be what is her dream.*

**Keywords:** Novel; Psychological; Self Actualization Needs.

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*"I am able to do all things through the one who strengthens me"*  
■ *Philipians 4:13*

*"I look up toward the hills. From where does my help come?  
My help comes from the Lord, the Creator of heaven and earth!"*  
■ *Psalms 121:1-2*

*"Happiness is not a destination. It is a way of life – Anynomous"*

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