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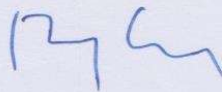
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ABSTRAK

Penelitian ini merupakan sebuah analisis terhadap novel berjudul “Crazy Rich Asians” karya Kevin Kwan. Novel ini bercerita tentang tipe-tipe kelas social dan perjuang kelas yang dilihat dari berbagai macam sudut pandang dan terjadi antara kaum sosial di dalam novel tersebut dalam memperjuangkan cintanya yang terhalang oleh perbedaan status sosial. Skripsi ini menggunakan pendekatan sosiologi dan menganalisis pembagian kelas sosial yang terdapat di novel ini dan perjuangan kelas social yang terjadi dalam novel ini. Metode yang digunakan dalam penulisan skripsi ini adalah metode deskriptif kualitatif yaitu penulis mendeskripsikan, menyelidiki, serta menganalisis data-data yang ada yang dikumpulkan dari buku-buku di perpustakaan dan internet yang berhubungan dengan penelitian ini. Teori yang digunakan adalah teori sosiologi dengan ahli Max Weber dan Karl Max. Teori kelas Maxisme bertumpu pada pemikiran bahwa sejarah dari masyarakat yang ada sampai sekarang adalah sejarah perjuangan kelas. Hasil dari penelitian ini adalah cerita dalam novel ini telah menunjukkan bahwa dua karakter yang menjadi karakter utama yang berasal dari dua kelas yang berbeda yaitu kelas menengah dan kelas atas. Konflik kelas social yang terjadi di dalam novel ini terjadi dikarenakan perbedaan kelas yang terjadi antara dua karakter yang ada di dalam novel tersebut.

Kata kunci: Pendekatan Sosiologi, Kelas Sosial, Perjuangan Kelas Sosial

ABSTRACT

This research is an analyze the novel entitled "Crazy Rich Asians" by Kevin Kwan. This novel tells of social classes and Class Struggle that seen from various perspectives and occur between social groups in this novel which are struggle for their love which is hindered by differences of social status. This thesis uses sociological approach and social class distribution analysis that exist in this novel and social class conflict that happened in this novel. The method used in this thesis writing is descriptive qualitative method that is writer describe, memory, and analyze existing data Excerpts from books in libraries and the internet related to this research. The theory used is the theory of sociology with experts Max Weber and Karl Max. Marxism's class theory rests on the idea that the history of hitherto existing society is the history of class struggle. The sociological theory by Weber is used to analyze the division of social classes contained in this novel, while Marxism class theory analyzes the conflicts that occur in this novel. The result of this research is the story in this novel has shown the relationship of two characters who are struggle for their love because they come from two different classes and the social class conflicts that occur in this novel occur because of class differences between the two characters in the novel.

Keywords: *Sociology Approach, Social Class, Social Class Struggle*

MOTTO AND DEDICATION

MOTTO

*“Work hard will definitely be rewarded, believe in yourself,
God will do the rest”*

- Izumi Sano -

“I can do all things through Christ which strengthened me”

- Philippians 4: 13 -

**“Consider nothing impossible, then treat possibilities as
probabilities”**

- Charles Dickens -

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