

CHAPTER III

METHOD OF THE RESEARCH

This chapter includes the research design, object of the research, method of collecting data, method of data analyzing, and method of presenting research result. The researcher will explain all in this chapter.

3.1. Research Design

The research begins with the phenomenon in “The Glass Menagerie” drama about a son who wants to maintain and keep his family intact. Moving from the phenomenon, the researcher uses the theory of Maslow’s Hierarchy of Needs. The researcher conducts research from documentation method to deepen literature review through several books, drama script, journals, and internet. Researcher also asks for opinions and advices from her lecturers and experts. To understand more deeply about formulation of the problem, the researcher determines the research methods such as collecting data, analyzing data and presenting data. Researcher then, analyzes the data, presents the research result in qualitative descriptive method, and finally makes the conclusion of her research in the last chapter .

3.2. Object of the Research

The researcher uses the object for this research is family in “The Glass Menagerie” drama script. “The Glass Menagerie” is written by Tennessee Williams. Tennessee Williams was born with name Thomas Lanier Williams on

March 26, 1911, in Columbus, Mississippi. In his early life he known as “Tom”, he was the second of three children of Cornelius Williams and Edwina Dakin Williams. At the age of 30, Williams wrote "Portrait of a Girl in Glass," which centered on the glass figure-loving Laura. She was presented as a desperately shy young woman with a fearsome mother, who went unnamed in this early incarnation. The first time that drama is premiered in 1944. Then, in 1945, “The Glass Menagerie” drama was performed in Broadway theatre.

Additionally, “The Glass Menagerie” is one of the autobiographical work that written by Tennessee Williams which all the character was reflected by Tennessee and his family. The main character “Tom” who is named after the author “Thomas”, the author was born with a full name Thomas Lanier Williams. Then, “Tennessee” is a nickname in his college. Tennessee’s family is unhappy family. Tennessee, his sister named Rose, and his mother named Edwina were abandoned by Mr. Williams who at that time worked as a shoe salesman; it also exists in “The Glass Menagerie” drama.

Like the Wingfields, the Williams family included a dominating matriarch, Tennessee's mother Edwina, who raised the family largely without the help of her husband, a traveling shoe salesman. Like Amanda, Edwina was a faded Southern belle. Laura has a nicknamed “Blue Roses” was based on his older sister Rose, who struggled with mental illness and retreated to a world of isolation, surrounded by her beloved glass ornaments. Even the description of the Wingfield's St. Louis apartment mirrored a home the playwright once shared with his family.

3.3. Method of Collecting Data

The data in this research is taken from “The Glass Menagerie” drama. In addition, the researcher used the documentation method (Creswell, 2014) as collecting the data by reading the drama script, journals, and others.

The techniques of collecting data in this research are:

1. Doing close reading of “The Glass Menagerie” drama script many times.
2. Quoting the parts that related to family needs in “The Glass Menagerie” drama.
3. Sorting the unimportant data in “The Glass Menagerie” drama.

3.4. Method of Analyzing Data

After the data was collected, then, the researcher used the qualitative research method with analyzing the intrinsic and extrinsic elements. Intrinsic elements consist of plot, character, theme, setting, and point of view. Then, extrinsic elements can be found from author’s life, historical background, cultural background, and social background. The researcher makes the categorization of characters from all the data that have been analyzed toward family from “The Glass Menagerie” drama.

The techniques of analyzing data in this research are:

1. Collecting the data from “The Glass Menagerie” drama.
2. Sorting the data that related to family in the “The Glass Menagerie” drama.

3. Categorizing the data with love and belonging in the “The Glass Menagerie” drama based on Maslow’s theory.
4. Analyzing the family needs that have been found in the “The Glass Menagerie” drama.

3.5. Method of Presenting Research Result

In presenting research result there are two ways that can be used there are formal and informal. Formal presentation method is the data analysis of the research that is presented by using symbols, sign, table, and diagram. On the contrary, informal presentation method is the data analysis of the research is presented by using words or sentences. According to (Creswell, 2009) qualitative research is framed of using words. In this research, the researcher uses qualitative descriptive as presenting research result. Therefore, the data will be presented descriptively by using words or sentences in analyzing family needs in “The Glass Menagerie” drama.