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ABSTRAK

Penelitian ini bertujuan untuk menjelaskan perjuangan seorang wanita yang digambarkan dalam tokoh utama dan faktor-faktor yang menentukan perjuangannya dalam novel “The Color Purple (1982) karya Alice Walker. Peneliti menggunakan teori Simone de Beauvoir (1956) dan Butler (1988) untuk menganalisis data terkait perjuangan perempuan dan performativitas gender dalam novel. Dalam menganalisis, peneliti menggunakan metode deskriptif kualitatif yang dijelaskan dalam bentuk kalimat, frasa, dan kata. Berdasarkan temuan penelitian ini, tokoh utama dalam novel “The Color Purple (1982)” secara konsisten menampilkan pertarungan seorang wanita. untuk mengubah orientasi seksualnya. Terlihat bahwa perubahan gender dan orientasi seksual dapat dipengaruhi oleh banyak aspek yang menyebabkan terjadinya perubahan. Tokoh utama mengubah orientasi seksualnya sebagai seorang lesbian yang memuja perempuan lain. Beberapa sikap ditampilkan untuk menunjukkan bahwa tokoh utama mempunyai pemikiran berbeda tentang perempuan, lebih tertarik pada perempuan, dan akhirnya memutuskan untuk menjadi lesbian. Peneliti juga menemukan aspek-aspek yang menyebabkan terbentuknya permasalahan gender tersebut. Pada aspek ini terlihat bahwa tokoh utama dalam novel “Warna Ungu (1982)” menunjukkan adanya perubahan performativitas orientasi seksualnya akibat masa lalu yang buruk dan pandangan buruk terhadap laki-laki, sehingga ia memilih untuk percaya. wanita, merasa nyaman jika hidup bersama wanita dan memutuskan untuk mencintai seorang wanita.

Kata kunci: feminisme, Perjuangan Perempuan, Gender

ABSTRACT

This study aims to explain the struggle of a woman portrayed in the main character and the identity that determine her struggle in novel "The Color Purple (1982) by Alice Walker. The researcher uses Simone de Beauvoir (1956) and Butler's (1988) theory to analyze data related to women's struggles and gender performativity in the novel. In analyzing, the researcher uses a qualitative descriptive method which is explained in the form of sentences, phrases, and words According to the findings of this study, the main character in the novel "The Color Purple (1982)" consistently demonstrated a woman's battle to alter her sexual orientation. It can be seen that changes in gender and sexual orientation can be influenced by many aspects that cause changes to occur. The main character changes his sexual orientation as a lesbian who adores other women Several attitudes are displayed to demonstrate that the main character has different ideas about women, is more interested in women, and finally decides to become a lesbian. The researcher also found the aspects that caused the formation of the gender trouble. In this aspect, it shows that the main character in the novel "The Color Purple (1982)" shows a change in the performativity of his sexual orientation as a result of a bad past and a bad view of men, so he chooses to trust women, feels comfortable when living with women and decided to love a woman.

Keywords: feminism, Woman Struggle, Gender

MOTTO AND DEDICATION

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“Doubt is a killer. You just have to know who you are and what you stand for.” (-Jennifer Lopez)

DEDICATION

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