

CHAPTER III

METHODOLOGY RESEARCH

The research design and methodology employed in this study are described in this chapter. It describes the qualitative descriptive method used to examine Kate Chopin's *The Awakening* via the feminist perspective of Simone de Beauvoir.

3.1 Research Design

This research is a qualitative descriptive study. According to Creswell (2015), qualitative research is used to examine and identify questions such as narratives, grounded theory studies, or case studies. Furthermore, Vanderstoep and Johnston (2009) state that the first step in qualitative research is to define, describe, and then interpret what is observed. Qualitative research using descriptive methods is research that identifies, classifies, analyzes and describes what is. Corbin (1990) implied descriptive qualitative research is a type of research that does not rely on quantitative or statistical methods. And investigated the author's literary work and included cultural elements in general. The source of data in literature is the work and manuscripts, the research data, as formal data are words, sentences, and discourse. The purpose of qualitative research is to get from a basic understanding to a thorough understanding

3.2 Object of The Research

Feminists will be taken to be the object of this research. This research analysis image of woman in Chopin's novel. The story was chosen because this

story contains forms of feminism, researchers will focus on image of woman based on theory of Beauvoir (1956) that is displayed. Briefly, the researcher focused on all feminism carried out in this story. Then, the main data source for this research was the novel “The Awakening” by Kate Chopin. “The Awakening” by Kate Chopin, published in 1899 by Herbert S. Stone & Co. in Chicago, depicts Creole life and is set in late 19th-century New Orleans on the Louisiana Gulf coast. Because of its groundbreaking examination of gender and individual liberty, “The Awakening”, which was rediscovered in the middle of the 20th century during the feminist movement, is now hailed as a masterpiece of American literature.

3.3 Method of Collecting the Data

Data collecting is important since it makes it possible to compile data that is in line with the research's approach. The data collection used in this research is library research method in accordance with Ratna (2015). Data sources from primary and secondary sources are used in library research. Thus, Kate Chopin's "The Awakening" serves as the main source of data for this study. The research was then supported by secondary data sources, such as books, journal papers, or any article pertaining to feminist topics.

Apart from the data collection method, several steps will also follow: to collect data. First, the researcher read the primary data source. Second, understanding the issues of women's image and the unfair treatment woman faced in the novel. Third, underlining relevant utterances that reflect the issues that the characters faced in the novel.

3.4 Method of Analyzing the Data.

According to Ratna (2015), In line with the employed theory, the descriptive analysis approach was employed to analyze the data through comprehension and explanation. Therefore, the descriptive analysis method was used to analyze the data. The process of examining data involves multiple steps. This study started with choosing and analyzing the intrinsic components of "The Awakening," including the plot, characters, settings, point of view, and themes. Second, the researcher used de Beauvoir's idea of the image of woman (1956) to examine extrinsic elements, as well as the unfair treatment that the woman in the novel faced. Third, the outcomes are explained through remarks on the novel's portrayal of women and their unjust treatment.

3.5 Method of Presenting the Research Result

Following analysis of the data, a descriptive presentation of the results is made. According to Creswell & Creswell (2018) rather than being written as a report of science, the findings are provided in a descriptive manner. The data was analyzed into two objects: image of woman and the unfair treatment experienced by woman. The results are in the form of phrases and paragraphs that describe and characterize the data of women's image and unfair treatment since the data pertaining to feminism concerns were collected and analyzed using the theory used in this study. Furthermore, the application of descriptive qualitative studies makes it easier for the reader to interpret the analysis of the subject matter or problem being discussed in regard to this study.

