

CHAPTER I

INTRODUCTION

This chapter present some sub-chapter, those are background of the study, statement of the study, objectives of the study, significances of the study and the last is scope and limitation of the study.

1.1 Background of The Study

Literary work is a result of the thing by the author. Literary work can make us to enjoyments and knew more the condition of our world and it is able to give opportunities to know more about life. The people has the different interpretation to give the meaning what they have already read. More we read, more we understand. The readers can not only get an information but also knowledge of human life and human being in certain period.

Wellek and Warren argued that literature is mirror of life, because literature is expression of human society (1954, Pg:95). It means that the literary work shows about the condition and the accident in that time, but the authors also use their imagination to make their works more meaningful in present the ideas from the authors experiences.

One of the literary works that interest many people is a novel. Novel is a genre of literary work, can also be taken as an example to show the relation between the condition of society and literary work in that time. Therefore, a novel cannot be eliminated from a relation of sociological aspect. Furthermore, a novel is a mirror

of human life. It means that a novel can be represented of human life, human being also in our world. Most of the novel deals also with our life condition, such as : social problem, social status, social life and social phenomenon that happened. It means that the conditions have a relation of human's life like culture, education, social, politics, economy and the other aspects of our life.

In general, novel is a long fictional narrative which describes intimate human experiences. In other hand, novel also is one of fiction of literary work that includes many characters that can bring the reader's emotion to feel also what the characters felt inside of the story. The novel entitled *The Hate U Give* by Angie Thomas' tells about Starr Carter and her family, a black girl aged sixteen years, living in between two different worlds. The seedy neighborhood of the place of birth and growth, and a high school spot in the outskirts of the city where she attended school. The balanced of the two worlds that desperately she watches fall apart when Starr became the only one a witness of the tragedy of the shooting of her best friend named Khalil, by a white police officer. Whereas, Khalil was not armed in that time. Soon the death of Khalil became a headline in newspapers and magazines. They called that Khalil was young thug man, a drug dealer, even gang members. Massive demonstration filled to the streets in the name of Khalil. Everyone wants to know, what actually happens when Khalil was killed. The only one who can answer, it was Starr Carter, not only can destroy her surroundings, most likely, it could get her killed with what she would say as a witness of Khalil death.(Thomas, 2017, Pg:440)

That novel has many cases which imagine racial discrimination in Starr's circle. Besides, the issues that found in the novel, the writer interest to research the issues of racial discrimination happened by white people to black people inside of the novel. Related to the racial discrimination that happened in *The Hate U Give* novel, Thomas made this novel to show up that discrimination still happened that done by white people to black people. The main character and her family got different treatments in their social life. She had an experience who cannot be forgotten in her life.

Generally, Racial discrimination is bad treatments that done by group or individuals based on the race. In other hand, racial discrimination created based on the discrimination attitude with a consciously or unconsciously condition because they think that the race of their people higher than the others. Therefore, racial discrimination cannot be avoided.

Furthermore, some people think that they are "high" and the other is "low" because from the different culture, race, and ethnic. Based on the thought, they can do anything to other people, including discrimination. The discrimination is one of the big social attitudes that still exist in this world and still happened also. The discrimination will be discussed in this paper is the racial discrimination that based on the race of group of people.

A racism is treating some people unfairly and different because they had different race, ethnic, and culture. Therefore the writer interests to analyze this study entitled *Racial Discrimination of White People toward Black People in Angie Thomas's The Hate U Give*.

1.2 Statement of The Problem

As describe in background of the study found some problem of the issues of the novel, those are :

1. What are stereotype of black people that contain in Angie Thomas' novel *The Hate U Give*?
2. How are the portrayal of racial discrimination that shown in Angie Thomas' novel *The Hate U Give*?
3. What are the effects of racial discrimination that is done by white people to black people in Angie Thomas novel *The Hate U Give*?

1.3 Objectives of The Study

According to the statement of the problem above, this study aims to :

1. To describe what are stereotype of black people that contain in Angie Thomas' novel *The Hate U Give*.
2. To explore how are the portrayal of racial discrimination that shown in Angie Thomas' novel *The Hate U Give*.

3. To describe what are the effects of racial discrimination that is done by white people to black people in Angie Thomas novel *The Hate U Give*.

1.4 Significances of The Study

Theoretically, this study uses racial discrimination theory that can give benefit and give understanding about racial discrimination that still happened in this world to the reader as a lesson.

Practically, hopefully this research can give the comprehension to the reader about racial discrimination happened and also this research can be used for the student as references in their analyzing with the same topic.

1.5 Scope and Limitation of The Study

This study discusses about racial discrimination issues. The scope of this study focuses on the theory of racism, especially racial discrimination between black and white people. In addition, this study is limited on the quotation of the characters, and narrator's quotation in the source of data which is related to the stereotypes of black people that contained in the novel and racial discrimination of white people toward black people and also the effect of racial discrimination.