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- *The quality of reward depends of the quality of effort. (The Writer)*
- *Patience brings rewards. (The Writer)*
- *Be the best you can be... (The Writer)*

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SUMMARY

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The study is reveal how the strive for achieving happiness of the major character influences his personality. The objective of the study is to analyze the novel based on the structural analysis and the individual psychological analysis.

This study is qualitative study. The object of the study is *Gulliver's Travels* published in 1926 in England. The primary data source is the novel itself and the secondary data source is the other sources related to the analysis such as the author's biography, essay, and other literary work, which are related to this study . the method of data collection is library research. The technique of data analysis is descriptive analysis.

The study comes to the following conclusion, first based on the structural analysis of each elements, it show that the character and characterization, plot, point of view, setting of place and time and the other elements have the unity and successfully relate to one another then finally formulated into good quality of a novel, second , based on the Individual analysis, it is evident that in this novel, Gulliver has some efforts to reach his happiness with his wife and child and he can travel in all over world, it can be seen from his effort to make his dream come true

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CHAPTER I

INTRODUCTION

A. Background of the Study

Literature is the presentation of human life, Literature work is the process of reflection of the author's imagination which shows the phenomenon in his life. It means that when the authors are making their literary works, they express the problem related to the author's point of view, of course it gives influence in every works of an author. Literary works deal with human life, it is appropriate to use psychology as an approach in understanding human being from psychological point of view. With such social interaction, an understanding of literary work also has conspiracy with human being. " since literature is the exposition of man's mental life, it can be said that literature has a tight relationship to psychology. Literature psychology have the same object of research that is human being"(Wellek and Warren, 1984:91).

Gulliver's Travels is perhaps Swift's most prolific and well-known work, Swift explores gender differences, politics, class, money, race, science, education, exploration, love, physical strength, physical beauty, and more, and forces stringent satirical commentary on each. The novel falls into typical the typical Swift canon, in which he is recognized as the following: "the savage indignation

of the merciless satirist, the self-tormenting conjured spirit, the champion of human liberty” (Rawson xviii)

Jonathan Swift is one of the multitudes of brilliant writers that hails from the Emerald Isles. Born to English parents in Dublin in 1667 to earn his priest’s ordination, and picked up his first parish in Kilroot (near Belfast). During this mobile time of religious exploration and geographic cavorting, Swift began to explore his frustrations with society through his writings. He wrote about the poverty he saw amongst the people, he wrote about his friendships with two notable women (Esther Johnson and Esther Vanhomrigh), he wrote about the typical daily life of city folk, and he wrote about the problems he witnessed in the social order. It is this meticulous writing that makes Swift one of the most renowned satirists of English society and British history.

Swift believed that women deserved to be educated, that social conventions were outdated and must be changed, and that qualities of mind (and not physical beauty) should be the foundations of love. In many ways, Swift was ahead of his time in his pull for a feminist revolution. Perhaps because of his more modern and honest philosophy, Swift fell in love with Esther Vanhomrigh, for whom he invented the name "Vanessa," which appears in much of his poetry. These writings reflect a mutual admiration, in which both man and woman learn from each other. Unfortunately, the two lovers never married, for Esther ("Vanessa") died in 1722, before the publication of *Gulliver's Travels*. Swift lived a full life into his seventies, an especially long lifespan in his time. In 1742, he

was declared of unsound mind, due to senility and excessive dizziness that is now known as the disease Meniere's syndrome, an illness of the inner ear, which causes dizziness. Since nothing was known of the disorder in the 18th century, everyone (including Swift himself) thought he was insane. After descending into a life of privacy and dementia, Swift died on October 19, 1745.

Lemuel Gulliver, an educated and trained surgeon, speaks to the reader and explains that he will retell of his experiences at sea. He recounts his youth, education, and marriage to Mrs. Mary Burton, and about his reasons for writing these tales. They are simply to relate his stories, no other reasons. His first voyage is meting with horrible weather, stranding him on an island called Lilliput. When he awakens, he is tied to the ground and surrounding by thousands of miniature people called Lilliputians. After a slow integration and aid in the military victory over neighboring Blefuscu, Gulliver is commended and named an honorable man at Lilliput. However, after several years there, he is forced to flee the land because of the government's intended arrest for treason. He goes to Blefuscu, where he soon sails away back to England.

Soon after his wife and children see him, Gulliver sets sail again. This time, he is shipwrecked on the peninsula-type land of Brobdingnag, an opposite world from Lilliput. In this country, Gulliver is the Lilliputian and everyone is a giant to him. With such a microscopic view into humanity, Gulliver discovers the grotesque nature of human beings, both physically and spiritually. Although he is loved by his nursemaid, Glumdalclitch, and the King and Queen, Gulliver

eventually seeks companionship of his own kind. Furthermore, he fears for his life, after a constant array of brushes with death. As he plans a method of escape, a large bird picks up his wooden home and carries it over sea where the bird drops it onto the water. Gulliver floats in it for days until he is rescued by an English ship. Nobody believes his stories, at first. However, when Gulliver presents souvenirs from the land, they believe him and commend him on his journeys..

Gulliver's Travels, novel by Jonathan Swift is an interesting novel. The writer discovers three reasons why choosing this novel. The first reason is the *gulliver's Travels* is like a realistic novel. It means that the conflict that appears in this novel which is faced by the characters reveals the conflict of daily life faced by human in real life like

The second reason is the simplicity of the novel, The writer finds it is included a simple novel because it uses traditional setting like the village and palace, beside the story has straight plot which makes cause effect relation from beginning until in the end of story, so it makes easy to the writer in understanding this novel

The third reason is challenging. This novel challenging because the writer finds there are several aspects and there are still many interesting characters in this novel challenging to be explored such as this book told Lamuel Gulliver Travels, his travel which is famous is first to Liliput, the nation of little people and the second is to Brobdignag the nation enormous people

Seeing the Lamuel Gulliver characteristic above, then there lies the interesting part of analyzing Jonathan Swift “ *Gulliver’s Travels*”. The researcher is interested to analyze the striving of Lamuel Gulliver that will be elaborated in problem statement.

Based on the background above. The writer proposes to conduct a research entitled “ *The Striving of Gulliver’s Travels to Stay Alive : An Individual Psychological Approach*”.

B. Literature Review

Gullivers Travels by Jonathan Swift is an interesting novel, it can attract many people to conduct some researches. The writer studies this novel based on several previous researches.

Nelly Dwi Nawariyah (2008) Slamet Riyadi University is one of researchers who conducted study using Swift’s novel. Its title is “ The Adventure of Gulliver’s Travels”. She employed psychoanalytic approach in studying it , she concerned in how the major character faces his inner conflict in making decision

The Original Norton Critical Edition of Gulliver’s Travels, edited by Robert A, In Greenberg 1961 and revised in 1970 is another book which is used by researcher to fulfill his references . Besides , a book edited by Milton P. Foster 1961, *A case on Gulliver among the Houhnhnms* also gives influences in this Study . As addition , another critical book written By Albert J Rivero’s in new

Norton Critical Edition which is a major improvement over the earlier version gives big contribution to complete this Study as well. In his written he wrote that the book should be useful both as a text in college courses and as a source of new critical perspectives for readers already familiar with Gulliver's Travels and perhaps with earlier collection of swift Criticism

The differences of this study and the previous study are in the issue and the perspective. This studies concerns in striving to stay alive using Individual psychological approach while the previous studies concerned in the adventure in Gulliver travels uses psychoanalytic approach

C. Problem Statement

Based on the background of choosing the subject above, the problem is How the striving to stay alive of Gulliver's Travels is reflected in this novel?

D. Objective of the Study

The objective of the research is to expose the striving of Gulliver's Travels based on the psychological approach by Alfred Adler.

E. Benefit of the Study

The benefits expected from this research are as follows :

1. Theoretical Benefit :

to give some contribution to many people about knowledge or the development of knowledge, particularly studies in Jonathan Swift' *Gulliver's Travels*

2. Practical Benefit :

To give deeper understanding in literary field as the reference to the other reseacher and to enrich the literary study , particularly among the student especially on Surakarta Muhammadiyah University

F. Limitation of the Study

The writer focuses this research in analyzing the striving to stay alive reflected in Jonathan Swift's *Gulliver's Travels* novel based on psychological approach.

G. Research Method

1. Type of Study

This type of research is qualitative in which the research does not need statistic to collect, to analyze, and to interpret data.

2. Types of the Data and the Data Source

In this research the researcher takes two kinds of data:

a. Primary Data

Primary data in the research consists of data collected from the novel *Gulliver Travel*. The data taken from the word, phrases, and sentence that occurred in the novel related to the topic.

b. Secondary Data

Secondary data is collected from other literatures discussing the author and material about Individual Psychological approach.

3. Object of The Study

The object of the research is the *Gulliver's Travels* released on 1726, in England: Macmilan Education

4. Method of Data Collection

In this research, the researcher uses library research. The data are collected from the book related to the topic. The first step is reading the *gulliver's Travels* novel many times to identify the problem and find the data. Then it is continued by reading the relevant theory with the subject, finally is collecting the supported data from any critical review, internet and other reference related to the topic.

5. Technique of the Data Analysis

The teaching of data analysis is descriptive in which the researcher uses Individual Psychological Approach and writes a conclusion.

H. Paper Organization

The paper consists of five chapters and each of them is sub divided into sub sequent division. Chapter one is the introduction that consists of background of the study, literature review, problem of the study, objective of the study, benefit of the study, research method, theoretical approach and paper organization. Chapter two is the underlying theory, namely explaining about principle theory of personality. Chapter three is structural analysis; the researcher explains the

structural elements of the story and discussion. Chapter four is data analysis; it presents six basic principle of an individual psychological approach. This chapter represents the application of the underlying theory in which the novel is analyzed by means of Adler's individual psychology. Finally, the last chapter integrates the overall discussion and brings to the conclusion of the study.

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