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Failure is the beginning of success
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Actually after difficulty there is ease
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SUMMARY

This study concerns with the novel entitled *Persuasion*, which is written by Jane Austen. The researcher is proposed to analyze a class struggle as reflected in *Persuasion* based on its structural elements and Marxism perspective.

In analyzing the Marxist aspect, the researcher applies the theory of Marxism by Carl Marx. This research belongs to qualitative research, which employs textual data. The textual data are taken from two resources, namely primary and secondary. The primary data source is the novel itself and the secondary data sources are some books and articles related to the subject.

The outcome of the study shows that the novel illustrates a class struggle at Jane Austen’s period; the condition of the upper class and the lower class of England in the early nineteenth centuries. The solution to solve the problem of class struggle is changing the way of thinking toward social class status in society.
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