

**A STRUGGLE FOR MEETING HER CHILD
IN FAULKER'S *THE SOUND AND THE FURY*:
AN INDIVIDUAL PSYCHOLOGICAL APPROACH**



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CHAPTER I

INTRODUCTION

A. Background of the Study

Life is struggle. Everybody will do anything to make their lives perfect. Human being has a goal in their lives. They dispose to work hard and full of spirit and getting ambitions to reach what they want. Without working hard, they never get their goal of life although they always pray and pray every time in order that God will give them mercy. Because of that, human struggle is needed to reach something, to make their lives better.

In real life, a struggle can be seen in society. Struggle means some efforts to reach something. In other hand, struggle can be explained a violent effort or effort's to obtain an object; or to avert an evil ([http:// www. Brainyquote.com/words/st/struggle](http://www.Brainyquote.com/words/st/struggle) 224910.). The struggle varies, such as struggle for justice, struggle to get a job, struggle for life, struggle to get achievement, struggle for equality an also struggle for meeting someone. Many ways are used to make they lives better. They can do everything to achieve something they need. Although struggle to get or reach something is hard and needs much time and energy, the people still try to gain better condition.

Struggle for meeting someone may occur in our lives, such as when we need an assignment from our lecture. We have to wait a long day just to get it. In other side, struggle for meeting may occur when the children separated from their parents, their parents have to get some money for their children, so

they have to separate on a while, and if they want to meet their children, they have to do anything. That is the struggle for meeting someone.

Meanwhile, in literary works the author depicts the struggle for meeting her child, in the character of the story when they have to hard work to get their life perfect. Each literary work shows how the character especially the main character strives for his/her superiority. It is clear that most of the literary works are the mirror of human life, which represents the struggle for the perfection and superiority in order to reduce their weakness.

The Sound and the Fury tells about the struggle of mother to meeting her child, especially Caddy as a major character. Caddy is the only daughter of the Compson family. She was one of the few people in household who treated Benjy well. While she had a close friendship with both Benjy and her older brother, Quentin, she grows into a promiscuous young woman who has an illegitimate child, and is thus thrown out of her husband's house. Because of her loose ways, the family refuses to even speak her name in the house. She has to separate with her child. And in the kind she wants to meet her child again, and she wants to do everything for her wants. A novel tries to depict about the sense of frustration. The novel also depicts a story of a lack of cohesion between mother and children, the loss of morality and the struggle for meeting her child prevented by her family; it causes the total destruction of a once grand family in the south. All of the events can be seen in William Faulkner *The Sound and the Fury*.

William Faulkner was born on September 25, 1897, in New Albany Mississippi. Faulkner relationship with his father was in trouble; the son disapproved of his father's drinking and felt that the elder Faulkner bore some

hostility towards him. His mother, on the other hand, was a kind and pious woman as a great reader herself, she introduced her son to Dickens, Twain and Shakespeare, Faulkner brought his poems to a local lawyer. His commercially published book of poetry, *the Marble Faun*, was published in 1924 and his first novel, *Soldier's Pay* was published in 1925. By his third novel, *Sartoris* published in 1929. *Sartoris* is followed by *The Sound and the Fury* in 1929, *As I Lay Dying* in 1930, *Sanctuary* in 1931, *Light in August* in 1932 and *Absalom, Absalom* in 1936.

A year later, in 1939 he was elected to the National Institute of Art and Letters. *The Hamlet* was published in 1940, and *Go Down Moses* in 1942. In 1950 Faulkner was awarded the Nobel Prize in literature. In 1955, he won both a National Book Award and a Pulitzer Prize for fiction. His final book *The River* was published in June 1962. A month later, Faulkner died of a heart attack on July 6.

From the previous illustration, the writer is interested in analyzing the struggle of the major character, Caddy, to meet her child. Thus, this study is entitled.

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B. Literary Review

The researcher of *The Sound and the Fury* was Titik Mugiyati with her research “Anxiety in William Faulkner's *The Sound and the Fury*:

Psychoanalytic Approach” so the present writer wants to analyze the novel from different point of view namely the individual psychological analysis. The title is “A Struggle for Meeting Her Child in Faulkner’s *The Sound and the Fury*: An Individual Psychological Approach”.

C. Problem Statement

The problem of the study is “how Caddy struggles for meeting her child”

D. Limitation of the Study

For focus on the study, the writer needs to limit the study. The writer is going to analyze *The Sound and the Fury* in William Faulkner by using Individual Psychological approach.

E. Objective of the Study

The objectives of the study are described as follows:

1. To analyze the structural elements of the novel
2. To analyze the novel based on individual psychological approach

F. Benefit of the Study

There are two benefit of the study:

1. Theoretical Benefit

The study is purposed to give additional information to literature research especially those dealing with William Faulker’s *The Sound and the Fury*.

2. Practical Benefit

This study can develop the writer's skills and ability in applying the individual psychological approach in William Faulker's *The Sound and the Fury*

G. Research Method

1. Object of the Study

The object of the study is Caddy's *The Sound and the Fury*.

2. Type of the Data and the Data Source

In study there are two sources of data namely:

a. Primary Data Source

The primary data source is the novel himself, *The Sound and the Fury* novel written by William Faulker's

b. Secondary Data

The secondary data sources are the author's biography, internet, essay, comment, home page, and other relevant sources.

3. Technique of the Data Collection

This researcher use documentation as technique of data collecting. The writer takes this researcher use documentation as technique of data collecting. The writer takes the following some steps such as:

- a. Reading the novel repeatedly
- b. Taking notes of information in both primary and secondary data
- c. Classifying the data into some categories

- d. Selecting them by rejecting the irrelevant information which doesn't support the topic of the story

4. Technique of the Data Analysis

The analysis is started from the structural analysis of the literary work. The last is analyzing data based on individual psychological theory conducted by Alfred Adler.

H. Paper Organization

This research consists of five chapters. Chapter one is introduction, this chapter involves the background of the study, literary review, problem statement, and limitation of the study, objective of the study, the theoretical approach research method, and paper organization. Chapter two is underlying theory. Its covers the nation on individual psychological theory and main principle of Alferd Adler's individual psychological and theoretical application. Chapter three is structural analysis, including character, plot, theme, etc. Chapter four is individual psychological analysis. Chapter five is conclusion and suggestion.