CHAPTER I
INTRODUCTION

A. Background of the Study

On learning literature, people will involve their feeling and experience with their own social life. Especially when people read one of literary works such as novel, drama, short story etc. The literary reader can be as an ordinary reader, literary critics, researcher, student, teacher or everything, and each can create their own perception related with the literary work they’ve read. So, that’s why, literary appreciation here in a wide context has several meanings, Gove in (Aminudin, 2009: 34): the first, how to know it through feeling or the inner sensitiveness and the second the understanding and confession through the beautiful value which is expressed by the author.

*The Rainbow Troops*, set on Belitong Island, Indonesia, tells the story of a tight-knit group of students and their teachers fighting for education and dignity, even as they face continual hardship. Fabulously rich in natural resources, Belitong is also home to chronic poverty and educational discrimination. This story tells of a persistent young teacher and her tireless efforts to fight for her ten students’ right to an education. This novel takes the reader on a journey through the beauty of childhood friendship, the inspiration of love and the power of education. The student’s magnetic personalities unflagging determination are sure to inspire.
In this study, the writer wants to try to analyze the fictional finalism in one of literary works that is novel. The novel entitled *The Rainbow Troops* by Andrea Hirata was translated by Angie Kilbane and published in 2009. *The Rainbow Troops* is Indonesia’s most powerful book, because it was success with the best selling of the year in Indonesian version (the original version) *Laskar Pelangi*. Andrea Hirata the author shattered national sales records is the best selling author in Indonesia to date, reached over 5 millions reader, and contributed significantly to the development of modern Indonesian literature.

Related to the analysis, the novel will be analyzed by using individual psychological approach focusing on fictional finalism of the major character Ikal. Fictional finalism is one of the sixes element of individual psychological approach such as: striving for superiority, inferiority feeling, creative self, social interest and style of life. This fictional finalism is the situation where each person imagines a better situation than the present. This ideal situation is different each person. It is an image of the fulfillment of what is lacking at the present time (Cloninger, 2009: 103). Naturally, this fictional finalism is also called as the goal of life, where people want to get a better life in the future.

People do not ordinarily have a clear and complete idea of the fictional finalism that directs them. This goal is “dimly envisaged” partly known and partly not known. The unknown part of the goal constitutes the unconscious which is not emphasized the past rather than the future.

In this study, the writer wants to analyze related with the theory mentioned above in one study entitled *Fictional Finalism of Ikal to Get Better*

**B. Literature Review**

To prove the originality of the study, the writer presents the previous writer related to the topic. The first study related to *The Rainbow Troops* novel has been conducted by Pratiwi, Mustafiah Nur (2010) Muhammadiyah University of Surakarta, entitled *A comparative Study Between English and Indonesian Address System Used in Novel Twilight Saga and Laskar Pelangi Tetralogi*. Her study was descriptive qualitative analysis which focuses on politeness principles in address system to analyze the data. The result of the study were, the type of the variations of address system come into 13 types: first name, last name, nick name, full name, intimate name, kinship name, rockery name, title, profession, title plus profession. Then, there are 9 reasons in using address system: showing anger, showing anxiety, showing intimacy, showing kinship, showing mockeries, showing name, showing power, showing respectful and showing solidarity.

The second study has been conducted by Fitriana, Meila (2012), Universitas Muhammadiyah Surakarta, entitled *The Influence Of Community Spirit In Gaining Education On Andrea Hirata's The Rainbow Troops Novel : A Sociological Approach*. Her study was descriptive qualitative analysis where focuses on the structural analysis of each element, it shows that the character and characterization, setting, plot, point of view, style, and theme
are related to each other and form the unity into good quality of novel. Second, based on the sociological analysis, there is a close relationship between the novel story and the reality of Indonesian life. The result of the study shows that there are moral message that the power of dream can lead someone to get happiness. Based on sociological analysis, there is a close relationship between the novel and the social aspect, where the story tells about the condition which happens in 1970. The poverty conditions influence many aspects in the society life in Indonesia and one of them is in education. Based on the poverty, not all the people can get a good education in their life. The effect of it, there are so many people who cannot read and write. The condition, makes the children in *Rainbow Troops* want to fight to get a good education even in a poor condition.

The difference between the recent study from the previous studies is her approach uses an individual psychological approach. The object of the study is the major character Ikal in his action to get a good education in a poor condition of their Island.

C. Problem Statement

Having read *The Rainbow Troops* novel, the writer takes the main problem of the research, “How is the fictional finalism of Ikal to get a better education reflected in *The Rainbow Troops* Novel by Andrea Hirata?”
D. Limitation of the Study

To carry out the study, the writer will limit the study; the writer tries to focus on the fictional finalism of Ikal dealing with struggle to get a better education.

E. Objectives of the Study

Based on the above problem statement, the objectives of the study are:

1. To analyze the structural elements of the novel
2. To discuss fictional finalism of Ikal viewed from individual psychology perspective

F. Benefit of the Study

The benefits of this study are as follows:

1. Theoretical Benefit

   To give information and knowledge to the reader, especially the literary study on *The Rainbow Troops* Novel by Andrea Hirata.

2. Practical Benefit

   To get better understanding of the novel, in literary field as references to other researchers in analyzing the novel especially based on the individual psychological approach.
G. Research Method

1. Object of the Study

The object of the study is *Ikal* as the major character of the novel.

2. Types of the Study

This type of research is descriptive qualitative in which the writer does not need statistic to collect, to analyze and to interpret data. The descriptive focuses on the basic data transformation into a form which makes the reader be able to read and understand about the point and the data. The use of this descriptive is to express and picture the answers form the observation, (Sarwono, 2006: 138). In brief, qualitative research is the research employing the method of collecting, describing, classifying and analyzing the data and then drawing conclusion.

By using the qualitative method, this research is aimed to describe the fictional finalism of Ikal in *The Rainbow Troops* Novel by Andrea Hirata based on Individual psychological.

3. Type of the Data and the Data Source

The data will be classified into two categories, primary data and secondary data:

a. Primary data source is the novel *The Rainbow Troops* Novel by Andrea Hirata.
b. The secondary data are taken from some references and material related to the study weather by picking up from internet and other books.

4. **Technique of the Data Collection**

   In this research, the writer uses internet and library research. The necessary steps are as follows:

   a. Reading the novel twice or three times.

   b. Reading both novel original version and English version to get the theme and the topic of the English version.

   c. Taking notes of the important parts in both primary and secondary data sources.

   d. Browsing to the internet to get some information article that related to the topic (the author, the novel, and the theories of literary)

5. **Technique of the Data Analysis**

   In this research the technique that will be used to analyze the data is descriptive analysis technique. The writer will describe the structural elements of the novel with individual psychology of literature. The collected data will be interpreted and analyzed in detail through individual psychology of literature in this case by showing the fictional finalism of Ikal to get a better education: individual psychological Perspective, then drawing conclusion based on the analysis.
II. Research Paper Organization

The research paper divided into five chapters. Chapter I is Introduction, covering background of the study, literature review, problem statement, limitation of the study, objectives of the study, benefit of the study, research method and paper organization. Chapter II is underlying theory, covering notion of individual psychological theory, structural element of novel, and theoretical application. Chapter III is structural analysis, which includes the character and characterization, plot, setting, point of view, and theme. Chapter IV is an individual psychology analysis of the novel; it presents the application of underlying theory in analyzing the problem. Chapter V is conclusion, suggestion and pedagogical implication a for this research paper also the synopsis of the story.