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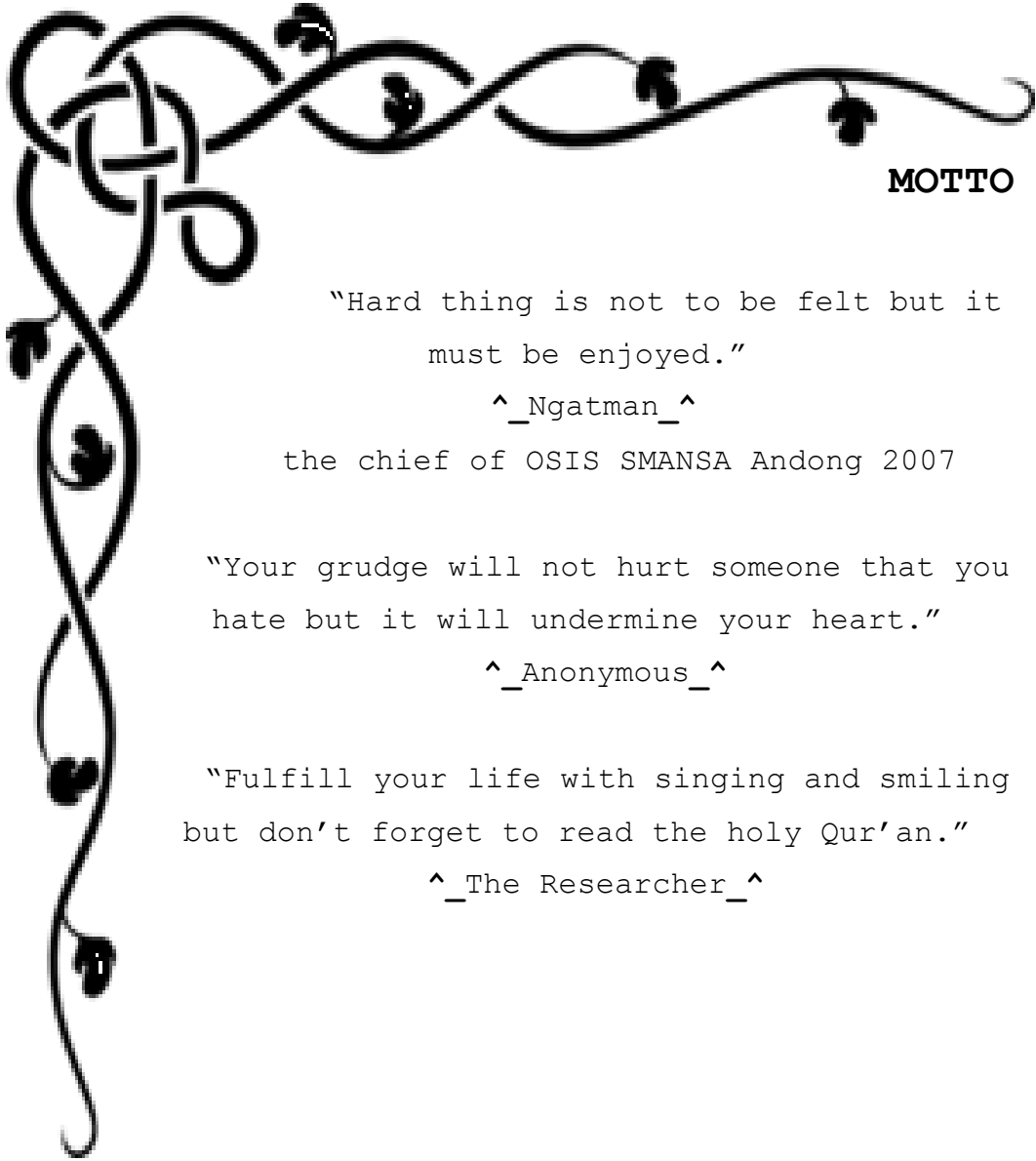
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MOTTO

"Hard thing is not to be felt but it
must be enjoyed."

^_Ngatman_^

the chief of OSIS SMANSA Andong 2007

"Your grudge will not hurt someone that you
hate but it will undermine your heart."

^_Anonymous_^

"Fulfill your life with singing and smiling
but don't forget to read the holy Qur'an."

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SUMMARY

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The major issue in this study is how people make the choices in life is reflected in Angela Morrison's Sing Me to Sleep novel (2010): An existentialist criticism. The objective of this study is to analyze Sing Me to Sleep novel based on existentialist criticism.

There are two types of data source in this method; they are primary and secondary data source. The primary data source is the novel and the secondary data is documentation and other material related to the study. Both data are collected through library research. The technique used in analyzing the data is descriptive analysis.

The result of the study shows that in the novel Morrison illustrates an existential situation in which an individual is trying hard to make her life meaningful by making existential choices. Angela Morrison also suggests that what is good to an individual should also be good to others.

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