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This study is proposed to show the religious belief which is got from learning process represented by the entire characters at A Christmas Carol novel by using a behaviorist perspective. It is done by analyzing the novel based on its structural elements and analyzing the novel based on the behaviorist perspective. This is descriptive qualitative research. In this technique, there are two kinds of data source, primary and secondary data source. The primary data source is A Christmas Carol novel by Charles Dickens and secondary data source of the research are taken from books and internet related to the study. Based on the structural elements of the novel, the researcher concludes that character and characterization, setting, plot, point of view and theme are related each other.

The influences of religious belief in individual behavior do not only give positive influence, but also sometimes give negative influences. The influences which they give are in many methods. There are from experiences, attitudes or behavior. Those methods can change their behavior; they can choose the good things or bad things for them self. In A Christmas Carol novel, the main character, Ebenezer Scrooge tries to take entire of experiences and apply in his life. The people around him can change his religious belief and can change his behavior to be better.

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