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This research paper examines coping behavior for unhappy childhood of Jerusha Abbott in Jean Webster’s Daddy-Long-Legs novel using Adler’s individual psychology. The objectives of the research are to analyze the structural element of the novel and Jerusha Abbott’s psychological condition in coping behavior for her unhappy childhood using individual psychological perspective.

This research belongs to qualitative research in which the data source of the research is taken from words and written texts. There are two kinds of data source; primary and secondary data source. The primary data source is taken from Daddy-Long-Legs novel, and the secondary data source is taken from books, journals, articles, reviews, comments, and other relevant data. The method in analyzing the data is descriptive analysis.

The conclusions of the research are as follows; first, based on the structural analysis of the novel, it can be concluded that all elements of the novel such as character and characterization, setting, plot, point of view, style and theme are supported each other in delivering the author’s message that happiness is already inside us. Second, based on the individual psychological analysis of the novel, it can be concluded that the author illustrates a psychological phenomenon in the novel in which the character experience unhappy childhood. In coping for her unhappy childhood, she uses her creative self so that she can reach happiness in her life.