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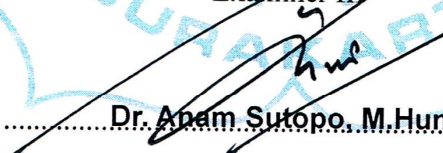
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**A pessimist sees the difficulty in every opportunity; an optimist sees the  
opportunity in every difficulty**

**(Winston Churchill)**

**They can because they think they can**

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**Turn your cant's into can, your dreams into plans**

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The major problem of this study is the optimistic view of life reflected in Eleanor Porter's *Pollyanna* (1913). The aims of this study are to describe Pollyanna portrayal in Eleanor H. Porter's *Pollyanna* novel, to explain Pollyanna's self-concept in novel, and to describe needs and motives underlie Pollyanna's behavior. This study focuses on the major character, namely Pollyanna.

The type of the study is qualitative research. The method of data collection is document analysis, while the technique of data analysis is descriptive analysis in which the researcher interprets the text and the content relating to the psychological of the major character. This study uses two data sources, namely primary and secondary data source. The primary data source of the study is the novel itself, Eleanor Porter's *Pollyanna* novel. The secondary data sources are Biography of the author namely Eleanor Porter, websites in the internet about *Pollyanna*, and other resources which support to analyze.

The outcome of this study shows the following conclusion. Firstly, based on the portrayal analysis of Pollyanna, the researcher concludes that Pollyanna as the major character in this novel has flat character. Pollyanna's character has one side of personality, namely positive. From the beginning of the story until the end of the story, Pollyanna's personal identity, physical qualities, moral qualities, mental qualities, and social qualities are positive. Secondly, based on humanistic psychological analysis of Carl Rogers, Eleanor H. Porter's *Pollyanna* novel shows that the major character, Pollyanna, builds herself concept by building positive self concept. Thirdly, based on humanistic psychological analysis of Abraham Maslow, Pollyanna's behavior generally is based on belongingness and love needs.

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