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The objectives of the study are to analyze the novel based on its structural elements and to analyze the novel based on Sociological Approach.

This study is a qualitative study. The object of the study is Louisa May Alcott's and The Little Women novel published in 1868 in America.. The data sources are divided into two, namely primary data source and secondary data source. The primary data source is the novel itself and the secondary data source is other sources related to the analysis such as the author biography, books of literary theory and also sociological books. The object of this research is Louisa May Alcott's Little Women novel, and the writer analyzes it by using sociological approach. The method of data collection is library research. The technique of data analysis is descriptive analysis.

Based on the analysis, the writer draws the following conclusions: First, the researcher concludes that the elements of the novel present a good unity that consist of exposition, complication, climax, and resolution. Little Women by Louisa May Alcott's describes that a simple life is a good life. The issue is also about the reality condition of America at the second half nineteenth century.

Key words: The Importance of Simplicity of life, Little Women, Sociological Approach.

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