

LOVE REFLECTED IN SOCIETY'S APPROACH THE BLUE ALBUM:



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CHAPTER I

INTRODUCTION

A. Background of the study

Literature is an expression of society (Wellek, 1956:83). Literature in its many manifestations or forms reflects and expresses the social condition of the society and life of the writer. An author is a member of a society that he or she is influenced by his or her society. A writer of a literary work creates a work of art by experiencing and taking apart in a social condition that he or she will take as the source of the work material or inspiration of the work he or she made. Hence, the work he or she made is the work that is the result of the interaction between the writer and the life of the writer.

A work of art is created by the writer as the way and means of his or her to express the response to the condition where he or she lives. It is clearly understood that the writer can not be separated from his or her society. a writer is not only influenced by society: he or she influences it. Art does not merely reproduce life but also shapes it (Wellek, 1956:90). For this reason, every individual act or behavior in member of society in the form of hypocrisy manner is the writer reflective issues and inspiration in creating a work of art. A writer will responsively send and bring the issues of hypocrisy manner which he or she experiences in real life into his or her literary work. In other words, a literary works reflectively brings and provides issues and cultural manner of member of the society which happen in the writer's life.

A work of art reflects the life of the writer, since work of art is like a looking-glass that reflects the writer's society that provides a response toward the social change in the society. Hence, doing a research on literary work is a valuable thing to do, for literary work is the reflection and response of the writer to the individual manner as a member of the society that consequently brings a solution to the social phenomena in individual manner happen in the society.

Social life and the interaction of the writer are the mixed material that makes up a literary work which is created by the writer by experiencing he or her real social life by themselves. The writer expresses the manner of the member of the society into their work of art. It is content with by the combination of real social life and mind of the writer. The writer sets up a description and picture of the behavioral phenomena to assure the society to be more aware of the phenomena.

For this reason, the society will be more aware of their social phenomena. Every author can deliberately express his or her response by setting up the message through his or her literary work. Weezer Band is one of them. Weezer band is a well known band that expresses the social issues through their lyrics and song. They created some great popular lyrics that mostly have been sold out. The blue album is one of Weezer great popular albums which reflects and depicts the character and setting of love happened in a society. The lyrics of the song in the album are proper depiction of the love phenomena which happen in modern era.

Related to the function of literature as the media of criticism of social life, the researcher tries to analyze the lyrics of the Weezer albums. It is beneficially matched to analyze the lyrics by using the sociological approach to comprehend the behavioral phenomena of love. Accordingly, the researcher conducts a research entitled *‘Love reflected in Weezer’s song lyrics a Sociological Approach’*.

B. Problem Statement

The major problem of this study is how love is reflected in *Weezer’s* song lyrics.

C. Literary Review

After searching and observing carefully, the writer did not find a research in Muhammadiyah University of Surakarta which has the same or similar title as the writer makes *‘Love reflected in Weezer’s song lyrics a Sociological Approach’*.

However, the writer found other researcher which discusses Song lyrics, but the issue and object analyzed were not same as the recent writer research.

D. Limitation of the Study

The study is focused on love reflected in Weezer lyrics by using sociological approach.

E. Objective the Study

The objective of the study is as follow:

1. To describe the structural elements of the lyrics.
2. To analyze the song by means of sociological approach to find how love is reflected in the lyrics.

F. Benefit of the Study

The study is expected to give benefits as follow:

1. Theoretical Benefit

To give positive contribution to the development of the large of knowledge, particularly the literary study on *Weezer's song lyrics*, especially, sociological approach.

2. Practical Benefits

To enrich the literary study, particularly, among the students of Muhammadiyah Surakarta.

G. Research Method

1. Object of the Study

Object of the study is *Weezer's song lyrics*.

2. Type of the Data and the Data Source

a. Primary Source

The primary data are taken from *Weezer's song lyrics*. It comprises such things as words, phrases sentences events and narration.

b. Secondary Source

Secondary sources are any information related to the Weezer's song lyrics. The writer also gathers information of Weezer's background and their work from many books and other resource.

3. Technique of the Data Collection

In conducting the research, the writer uses technique of documentation in collecting the data.

- a. Reading the lyrics frequently.
- b. Taking some notes of the important part from primary and the secondary data source.
- c. Selecting the data, by eliminating the information that are not relevant and support the topic of the research.

4. Technique of the Data Analysis

In analyzing the data, the writer uses descriptive qualitative analysis of content. The analysis was begun from the structural analysis of the work and finally the sociological analysis of the literary work.

H. Research Paper Organization

The writer systematizes the research into six chapters with the intention of making it easier to understand. They are as following:

Chapter I is introduction, covering the background of the study, research method and research paper organization. Chapter II, presents the theory of sociological approach. Chapter III includes the social background with all aspects of social reality in England in the early twentieth century. Chapter IV covers the structural analysis of the song lyrics. Chapter V discusses the sociological analysis of love in Weezer's song lyrics. Chapter VI explains and sum up the conclusion and suggestion of the research.