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SUMMARY


This research paper examines the need to reach a better life in Liz Murray’s Breaking Night (2010) memoir using humanistic psychological approach. The objectives of the research are to analyze the memoir based on the structural analysis of the memoir and based on humanistic psychological approach by Abraham Maslow.

The data sources consist of primary data and secondary data sources. The primary data of the research is The Breaking Night memoir and the secondary data of the research are the other sources related to the analysis such as the author biographies, comments, website searching about Breaking Night memoir that support the analysis, books of literary theory of the object and issue. The method to analyze this data is descriptive analysis.

The researcher describes two conclusions in his research. The first, the author reveals that all of human beings have different needs and some motives why they have to do something. Like Liz Murray in the Breaking Night memoir, she also has some needs. She has to struggle to reach a better life. The second, based on humanistic psychological analysis, it can be concluded that in this memoir, the author illustrates the motivation underlying Liz Murray’s needs. They are: physiological needs, safety in herself, love and belongingness needs, self-esteem needs, and self-actualization needs, or the needs for personal fulfillment.

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