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“Verily, with every difficulty, there is relief.” (QS 94: 5)

“Cinderella never asked for a prince. She asked for a night off and a dress”. (Kiera Cass)

“Let's live while doing things we like.” (Oh Sehun)

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## ABSTRAK

*Penelitian ini tentang Problem Sharing di dalam novel Elizabeth Noble berjudul The Reading Group (2005) yang dianalisis menggunakan pendekatan Psikologi Sosial. Tujuan dari studi ini adalah untuk mengetahui masalah-masalah apa saja yang dibagi di dalam reading group, untuk mengetahui proses dalam mendiskusikan masalah, dan untuk menganalisa alasan penulis menulis The Reading Group. Penelitian ini adalah penelitian kualitatif. Data primer dalam penelitian ini adalah novel dari Elizabeth Noble yang berjudul The Reading Group (2005) yang dipublikasikan oleh HarperCollins Publishers Inc, New York. Data sekunder dalam penelitian ini adalah sumber-sumber lain yang berkaitan dengan studi, seperti website, kamus, dan buku-buku yang membantu penelitian. Peneliti menarik tiga kesimpulan dalam penelitian ini. Pertama, ada dua jenis masalah yang dibagi dalam reading group, yaitu masalah pribadi dan masalah kelompok. Kedua, ada lima cara dalam mendiskusikan masalah, seperti secara langsung, secara tidak langsung, pre-sharing, ketika sharing, dan post-sharing. Ketiga, alasan Elizabeth Noble menulis The Reading group, antara lain membagi pengalaman tentang reading groupnya, menjelaskan bagaimana para wanita berbagi pengalaman satu sama lain, dan yang terakhir memberikan alternatif daripada menggossip.*

***Kata Kunci: Berbagi Masalah, Kelompok Membaca, Wanita, Psikologi Sosial.***

## ABSTRACT

*This study is about Problem Sharing in Elizabeth Noble's novel The Reading Group (2005) analyzed using Social Psychological Perspective. The objectives of this study are to find what the problems are shared in the reading group, to describe the process of discussing the problem, and to analyze the reason of the author writing The Reading Group. This research is a qualitative research. The source of primary data in this research is Elizabeth Noble's The Reading Group novel (2005) published by New York: HarperCollins Publishers Inc. The sources of secondary data are from other sources related the study, such as website, dictionary, and some books that support the research. The researcher draws three conclusions in this research. Firstly, there are two types of problem shared in The Reading Group, namely: personal problem and group problem. Secondly, there are five ways to discuss the problem, such as direct, indirect, and pre-sharing while sharing, and post-sharing. Thirdly, Elizabeth Noble's reasons of writing The Reading Group, including sharing her own reading club experience, describing how women share experience one another, and the last is giving alternative to merely gossiping.*

**Keywords: Problem Sharing, Reading Group, Women, Social Psychological.**



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