

## CHAPTER I INTRODUCTION

### A. Background of the Study

To live means to face whatever problem that happened in our life which it will always haunt us. Those problem can make people build some anger or sad feeling. Once people stuck in their emotions there will be a negative temptation to do negative things. for example, I once finding my self so angry that I almost hurting my friend physically because she is blamed me for losing her bag or when my best friend's father make a big mistakes for having an affair with another woman, in that time I see how she faced a lot of temptation to do negative things to him. Finally she did that, throwing a big rock right at her father.

Negative temptation is desire and strong willingness to do something wrong, to have something bad, or to act unwise (Merriam-Webster). If you feel you want to do something or have something, even though you know you really should avoid it, you can refer to this feeling as temptation ( COBUILD Advanced English Dictionary.)

Negative temptation not only becomes the attention of psychology, psychotherapist, priest, educator, prosecutor, but also author. One of the author that is fascinated in negative temptation is Paulo Coelho. According to [www.biography.com](http://www.biography.com), Paulo was born in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, on August 24, 1947. Known as self-help writer, he wrote *The Pilgrimage* which is about his spiritual awakening experience in Spain as his first book. But it his second book, *The Alchemist* which made him the famous novel writer. His books sold reached 35 million copies and now writes about one book every two years.

Paulo Coelho wrote *The Devil and Miss Prym* novel which is illustrates negative temptation. The novel used by the researcher is the second edition,

released in 2002 and published by Harper Collins. The popularity of the novel can be seen from the number of sales and included as a very best-selling book over the world. Paulo Coelho works has translated into 66 languages and sold over 86 million in over 150 countries worldwide. He has received many prestigious awards held in various countries.

The novel is about a man called Stranger who sets up on a journey to the quite village of Viscos where it is a very small village located in France to find the answer of his question: are people essentially good or evil? The reason why he made that kind of question is because his family was murdered, he cant handle the sorrow of that tragedy. He met Chantal Prym, a young woman and a bartender at the hotel where he is staying. He tells Chantal how heavy his life and sure that every human is evil included him that is why many negative things happened in this world. He tells her that he is looking an answer to his question and that all the people in Viscos will be the demonstration to discover the truth. While Chantal still in her belief that human is not as bad as what the Stranger said even she too felt hard to live. Then they both made a wager to reveal the truth.

He carries a eleven bars of gold as he walked in to Viscos then buried it in the woods. He shows Chantal the gold bars, said those gold can change every single person's life for the better and he willing to offer those gold to the people of Viscos but they have to commit a crime. They have to kill someone. Chantal feel afraid and don't know what to do to deal with a big negative temptation. She thinks to kept the wager as secret between her and the Stranger but as the time passes and the Stranger only give Chantal seven days to spread the news about gold bars and its condition. Once Chantal tempted to steal the gold bars and run away from Viscos and the Stranger but something stop her.

Berta is the oldest in Viscos, always spending her time in front of her house looking at Viscos. She has a powerful connection with her dead husband and always felt his presence. The day when Stranger come she felt something

bad would happen as what her husband said. When people of Viscos know the wager they tempted to kill Berta, because her time to live is shorter than others. Chantal and her powerful resistance against negative temptation can stop all people in Viscos to kill Berta and finally the Stranger found themselves breaks his belief about human. Every human has both side; good and bad side.

The reader give various kinds of responses, some giving their good comment and others bad comment. As can be seen in the data of reader responses according to [www.amazon.com](http://www.amazon.com), it shows that the good comments are more than the bad comments. The first good comment come from Rebecca in 2006, she said that the novel playing with the morality, what happened in Viscos is also happened in every village and there will always be the one like the Stranger. The second is from Grady in 2007, she said that *The Devil and Miss Prym* is number one book he ever read because he can explore about human nature whether they are good or evil. When he read the novel he drawn in the story line from the beginning until he finished it because the book is provoking and quick.

While there are also some bad comment to *The Devil and Miss Prym* novel, The first is from Chris Lucas in 2006, he said that the character is too far from the real world and make the story seems dramatic yet not make the story more alive. He found Paulo Coelho's weakness. The second from Nicole Del Sesto in 2006 said that he is disappointing about the novel and wish that Paulo did not give so much message so the reader can read and enjoying the novel then making their own message at the end.

There reasons why the writer interested to conduct this issue is because: First, because the story of *The Devil and Miss Prym* novel is simply yet interesting. As others novel telling us about the battle of goodness and badness in the form of war and crime this novel used mind battle in every human. Second, because Paulo Coelho is a great and famous novelist. In *The Devil and Miss Prym* novel he give the reader new perspective of human nature which is every

of them have a good and bad side. Third, because the writer attracted to analyse the human way to face a negative temptation in *The Devil and Miss Prym* novel.

From the explanation above, the researcher is interested in analysing of negative temptation in *The devil and Miss Prym* novel. This study will be analysed by using Psychoanalytic Perspective. So, the title of this research is RESISTANCE AGAINST NEGATIVE TEMPTATION REFLECTED IN PAULO COELHO'S *THE DEVIL AND MISS PRYM* NOVEL (2000): A PSYCHOANALITIC APPROACH.

## **B. Problem Statement**

As what is written on the title and the background of the sstudy, the main problem found by reseacrher are:

1. What temptations are encountered by the major character in the novel *The Devil and Miss Prym*?
2. How did the major character resist against the temptation in the novel *The Devil and Miss Prym*?
3. Why did Paulo Coelho address temptation in the novel *The devil and Miss Prym*?

## **C. Objective of the Study**

This study have some objectives which included:

1. To identify the type of negative temptations face by the major character in the novel *The Devil and Miss Prym*.
2. To describe the major character resist against a negative temptation in the novel *The Devil and Miss Prym*.
3. To reveal the reason behind the writer wrote *The Devil and Miss Prym* novel.

## **D. Limitation of the Study**

The writer focuses on this research by analysing the negative temptation and the resistance of negative temptation in Paulo Coelho's *The Devil and Miss Prym* novel (2000) by using Psychoanalytic Approach.

#### **E. Benefit of the Study**

The result of the research is expected to give some benefits as follow:

a. Theoretical Benefit

This beneficial research will be a new innovation and also can be a new reference in academic. If one day other researcher want to carry out *The Devil and Miss Prym* novel as the object of research and know further about this Paulo Coelho's novel, this will help them as the reference.

b. Practical Benefit

By using Psychoanalytic Approach, the writer studying *The Devil and Miss Prym* wrote by Paulo Coelho and found new perspective and understanding about the novel.

#### **F. Paper Organization**

The organization of the paper consists of five chapters as follows: Chapter I named introduction consisting of background of the study, previous study, limitation of the study, problem statement, objective of the study, benefit of the study research method, and paper organization. Chapter II named underlying theory that contains the notion of Psychoanalytic theory and structure of personality, notion of resistance, form of resistance, previous study and theoretical application. Chapter III deals with research method that contains type of the study, object of the study, type of the data and the data source, technique of data collection, and technique of data analysis. Chapter IV represented about the analysing of data. It present about psychoanalytic in the novel. Chapter V is the last chapter of this research paper is conclusion and suggestion.