

## CHAPTER III

### RESEARCH METHOD

In this research the researcher analyzes *The Selection* novel by using descriptive qualitative research which consist of method of collecting, describing, classifying, analyzing data and drawing the conclusion.

#### A. Type of the Studies

The type of this research is descriptive qualitative research, because it does not need statistic data to get the fact. Descriptive qualitative is the research which the value is the fact from the object research to get information in written data. “Qualitative research claims to describe life worlds ‘from the inside out’, from the point of view of the people who participate. By seeks to contribute to a better understanding of social realities and to draw attention to processes, meaning patterns and structural features. Those remain closed to non-participants, but are also, as a rule, not consciously known by actors caught up in their unquestioned daily routine” (Flick, Kardorff, & Steinke, 2004:3) . It is a library research while data sources need literary data.

#### B. Object of the Study

There are two kinds of object of the study. There are two objects of the study are material object and formal object. First, material object is *The Selection* novel that related with social stratification issue by Kiera Cass. Second, formal object is about the some book which discuss about social stratification. It is analyzed by using a Marxism theory and it discusses about social stratification that been divided in some caste which occur in the novel.

### **C. Type of the Data and the Data Source**

The type of data in *The Selection* used in the research text, consisting of the word, phrase, sentence, narration, and dialog. There are two data sources which are needed to conduct this research. They are primary data sources and secondary data sources.

#### **1. Primary Data Sources**

The source of primary data is Kiera Cass's novel entitled *The Selection* which published in 2012. The publisher by HarperTeen. The data involves words, phrases, sentences, and some picture.

#### **2. Secondary Data**

The sources of secondary data are taken from other sources related the study, such as: website, articles, biography of the author and some books which support the research.

### **D. Technique of Data Collection**

The technique of data collection the writer used in this study is library research by collecting and selecting both primary and secondary data source compatible with the problem statement and objectives of the study. The steps are as follows:

- 1) Reading the original novel *The Selection* several times.
- 2) Browsing to the internet to get several information and articles related to the object of the study.
- 3) Determining the characters of novel.
- 4) Taking notes of important things for both of primary and secondary data source.
- 5) Classifying data by determining the relevant data.
- 6) Arranging the data into several parts according to its classification.
- 7) Making conclusion and suggestion based on the analysis data.

## **E. Technique of Data Analysis**

In order to analyze *The Selection* novel the writer uses Marxism theory and applies it using descriptive analysis which concerns to make some interpretation of dealing with the novel. Descriptive analysis is a form that aims to make the researcher to feeling and entry to their imagination about what they read or see to get the data in form of verbal and visual data analysis to summarize the information of content data (Altheide, 1987; Morgan, 1993).

## **F. Paper of Organization**

The research paper of “Social Stratification Reflected in Kiera Cass’s *The Selection* Novel (2012): A Marxism Theory.” is divided in five chapters. The details of the paper organization are: **Chapter one** is Introduction. It consists of Background of the study, Problem Statement, Limitation of the Study, Objective of the Study, and Benefits of the Study. **Chapter two** is Literature Review. It consists of Underlying Theory (Social Stratification, The Coverage of Social Stratification, The Process of Social Stratification, Trait and Shape of Social Stratification, The History of Marxism Theory, Injustice in Social Class, Proletarian Revolution), Previous Study and Theoretical Application of Marxism Theory. **Chapter Three** is Research Method. It consists of Object of the Research, Types of the Data and the Data Source, Technique of Data Collection, and Technique of Data Analysis, and Paper Organization. **Chapter Four** is Structural Analysis and Social Stratification Analysis. **Chapter Five** is Conclusion, Suggestion and Pedagogical Implication.