

CHAPTER I

INTRODUCTION

This chapter deals with the background of the study, limitation of the study, problems statement, objectives of the study, benefits of the study, and thesis organization

A. Background of the Study

Spotlight movie is drama movie. Spotlight movie is based true story. Spotlight tells the beginning of the events in the Boston Globe investigation to expose a major scandal that rocked the city and shook the world, Because of the scandal involving the agency's oldest and trusted in the world. Newspaper reporter "Spotlight" team also conducted an investigation into allegations of abuse in the Catholic Church in 2002. They have done this investigation into almost a year and have been getting some evidence. They also uncovered what for decades has been covered. This incident directly related to religion, law, and government in Boston. Spotlight movie was released in The United States of America on 20 November 2015 and copyright by Participant media, first look media and open road. This movie was directed and written by Tom McCarthy. The man who makes sound and music is Howard Shore. The language in this movie is English. The starring of this movie are Mark Ruffalo as Mike Rezendes, Michael Keaton as Walter 'Robby' Robinson, Rachel McAdams as Sacha Pfeiffer, Liev Schreiber as Marty Baron, John Slattery as Ben Bradlee, Jr and Brian d'Arcy James as Matt Carroll.

The director of Spotlight movie is Tom McCarthy. Tom McCarthy was born in June 7, 1966 in New Providence, New Jersey, USA as Thomas Joseph

McCarthy. He is an actor and producer, known for *Spotlight* (2015), 2012 movie (2009) and *Up* movie (2009). He was married to Wendy Merry. They have one child. The story of movie is started by when editor Marty Baron of The Boston Globe assigns tasks to team named *Spotlight* investigative journalists to investigate John Geoghan. Geoghan that a priest is alleged to have sexually abusing 80 boys. *Spotlight* Team consists Walter Robby (Michael Keaton), reporter Michael Rezendes (Mark Ruffalo), Matt Carol (Brian d'Arcy James), and Sacha Pfeiffer (Rachel McAdams) interview the victims and tried to gain access to sensitive documents. The team eventually found the surprising fact that sexual crimes against a minor occurs very massive and involves a network of global Catholic Church.

The task *Spotlight* team is not easy. Because this case is exposing case sexual abuse against children. Among the perpetrators of the priests in the Catholic Church in Boston, Massachusetts, in United States. Their success Dismantling case has lasted for the decades get the Pulitzer Prize for Public Service in 2003. It is the highest award Pulitzer hearts field of print journalism in the United States who given since June 4, 1917.

Spotlight movie was one movie that reveals the dark side of deviant behavior Catholic priest at a church in Boston. Sexual abuse of children is an act that is not justified. That behavior is dishonorable. Sexual harassment is getting a lot done in all countries of the world. This is something bad behavior. Definition of child sexual abuse is any type of sexual contact between an adult to anyone that is under 18 years old. In addition, said sexual abuse on a child if one of the

perpetrators are older or more dominant. The second criterion is regardless of how old age of the perpetrators. Which became the core issue is one of the parties is not powerless against the other party.

Perpetrators of child sexual abuse by some priests of the Catholic Church made the church feel embarrassed. The action is contrary to the teachings of the church. Some acts of child sexual abuse can include kissing, touching the child's genitals, intercourse, or giving exposure to pornography on children.

Crimes by some priests in the Catholic Church in Boston become an interesting issue the world after the collapse of the WTC buildings. Child abuse committed against children and the poor living American streets. Child sexual abuse happens because children are forced or persuaded. Unfortunately, many children do not realize or understand what actions are required to himself.

Difficult to detect a child is sexually abused. Most of them are afraid to express it because they think it is caused by the mistakes they committed. Children are also often intimidated perpetrators that their story would not be believed that they are afraid to tell. Spotlight movie illustrates that the disclosure of sexual abuse cases occurred when victims are adults. This means that cases of sexual abuse happened a long time and the church does not give strict punishment to the perpetrators of sexual crimes. The victims in the city of Boston much get compensation from the church to close the case of sexual abuse committed by priests in the city of Boston. The emergence of this case of something small into large scale. After the incident in Boston, recognition of sexual crimes by the

victim in the media increasingly widespread. This is happening in America and around the world.

According to Imdb.com, the Spotlight movie showed some places are 333 Bay Street, Bay-Adelaide Centre, Toronto, Ontario, Canada. Boston Massachusetts, USA. Toronto, Ontario, Canada. The Globe and Mail - 444 Front Street West, Toronto, Ontario, Canada. St. Basil's Church, Toronto, Ontario, Canada. Pinewood Toronto Studios, Port Lands, Toronto, Ontario, Canada. Hamilton, Ontario, Canada. 739 Parker St Roxbury, Boston, Massachusetts, USA. In business market, this movie can classify in Box Office movie, with estimation budget \$20,000,000. Total lifetime grosses in domestic \$ 45,055,776 and foreign \$ 43,290,697. Total in worldwide the movie gets \$ 88, 346,473. Release date 6 november 2015 (limited) and 20 November 2015 (wide). Total is showed 1,227 theaters.

Some reasons writer uses this movie for research are, Spotlight movie get some nomination. Spotlight gets six nominations for Oscar Academy Award. Became winner in Oscar academy award 2016 in two categories are picture and Original screenplay.

The Second is this movie based true story in Boston city. In the real life, Spotlight team gets the Pulitzer Prize for Public Service in 2003 for their result investigation into allegations of abuse in the Catholic Church around 2001 and 2002.

The third is the movie was directed by Tom McCarthy who became good director in 2012 movie (2009) and Up movie (2009) and Spotlight movie (2015).

The fourth is to know the dark side of priests in Boston about Sexual abuse. This is sensitive issue around the world after terrorism in 2002. In development of communication related to Spotlight movie, there had been a controversy about church supporters and people who refuse sexual crimes on children. Spotlight movie is one of works of literature. The movie will be researched using reader response story by Richard Beach. The researcher focuses on the cultural reader response theory that analyzes the data. The researcher chooses this theory because it focuses on meaning or interpretation analysis. According to that explanation, the researcher is encouraged to entitle the research as follows, “SEXUAL ABUSE IN CATHOLIC CHURCH IN SPOTLIGHT MOVIE (2015) DIRECTED BY TOM McCARTHY : A RECEPTION THEORY”.

B. Limitation of the Study

The researcher focuses this research on analyzing the readers response from IMDb (Internet Media Database) in the movie entitled Spotlight movie (2015) directed by Tom McCarthy based on Richard Beach’s Reader response theory.

C. Problem of Statement

The major problem of this study is to unveil “The Response by reviewers from IMDb (Internet Media Database) trough Tom McCarthy’s Spotlight movie (2015): A Reader Response Analysis”. The focus of the study is to analyze the following questions:

1. What are the dominant issues by the reviewers to Tom McCarthy's Spotlight movie?
2. How is the reviewers' response related to the background of Spotlight movie?

D. Objectives of the Study

The researcher is interested in answering the Reader Response in Tom McCarthy's Spotlight movie (2007). The detail objectives are as follows:

1. To describe the dominant issue by the reviewers to Tom McCarthy's Spotlight movie.
2. To describe the background of reviewer response to Spotlight movie.

E. Benefit of the Study

The benefits expected from this study are as follows:

1. Theoretical Benefit

The result of the study contributes to the larger body of knowledge particularly literary devices to enrich the knowledge and experience of the writer and other students at Muhammadiyah University of Surakarta or other University who are interested in literary studies.

2. Practical Benefit

This research paper has a practical benefit, which is to give deeper understanding and information about the movie, especially those that use reader response theory.