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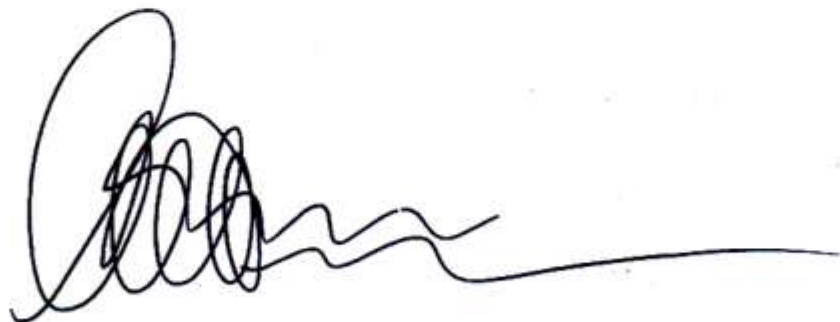
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ABSTRACT

The objectives of the study are: (1) to describe how the struggle of Mark Watney for life reflected in Andy Weir's *The Martian*; and (2) to describe the main character's motivation in his struggle for life. The researcher applied the Psychological approach and focused on Alfred Adler's theory of Individual Psychology. The data sources of data used in this research are words, phrases, clauses and sentences containing the main character's struggle for life reflected in Andy Weir's *The Martian* published by Crown Publisher.

The findings of the research show that Mark Watney's motivation in his struggle for life can be viewed from Adler's individual psychological theory. Firstly, Watney's fictional finalism was stated that he determined to make an oxygen, to create water, and to grow three years' worth of food on a planet where nothing grows. Secondly, striving for superiority is explained in his recorded diary, when he used his skill as botany to grow potatoes in his hab. Thirdly, the inferiority feeling of Mark Watney are isolation, abandonment, and fear. Fourthly, in a case of style of life, Mark Watney had unique ways to pursue his goal. Watney's goal was to survive in Mars, such as potato in Mars. Fifth, Watney's struggle for survival was also motivated by social interest. He wanted to see his family again after Mars' mission. Sixth, the creative power came up first when he realized that he was stranded on Mars and had to find out how to create and salvage enough food, water, and water to survive until help arrived.

Keywords: struggle for life, individual psychological perspective

ABSTRAK

Tujuan penelitian ini adalah: (1) untuk mendeskripsikan bagaimana perjuangan Mark Watney untuk bertahan hidup dalam novel *The Martian* karya Andy Weir; dan (2) untuk mendeskripsikan motivasi tokoh utama dalam perjuangannya untuk hidup. Peneliti menerapkan pendekatan psikologis dan berfokus pada teori Psikologi Individu dari Alfred Adler. Sumber data yang digunakan dalam penelitian ini adalah kata-kata, frasa, klausa, dan kalimat yang berisi perjuangan karakter utama untuk bertahan hidup dalam *The Martian* karya Andy Weir yang diterbitkan oleh Penerbit Crown.

Temuan penelitian menunjukkan bahwa motivasi Mark Watney dalam bertahan hidup dapat dilihat dari teori psikologi individu Adler. Pertama, aspek *fictional finalism*, Watney bertekad untuk membuat oksigen, menciptakan air, dan memproduksi makanan selama tiga tahun di planet yang tidak tumbuhan sedikitpun. Kedua, aspek superioritas dijelaskan dalam buku catatannya yang direkam, ketika ia menggunakan keterampilannya sebagai ahli botani untuk menanam kentang di habnya. Ketiga, aspek perasaan rendah diri Mark Watney adalah perasaan terisolasi, diterlantarkan, dan ketakutan. Keempat, aspek gaya hidup, Mark Watney memiliki cara-cara unik untuk mengejar tujuannya. Tujuan Watney adalah bertahan hidup di Mars, seperti bertanam kentang. Kelima, perjuangan Watney untuk bertahan hidup juga dimotivasi oleh minat sosial. Dia ingin melihat keluarganya lagi setelah misi Mars. Keenam, kekuatan kreatif muncul pertama ketika ia menyadari bahwa ia terdampar di Mars dan harus mencari tahu cara membuat dan menyelamatkan cukup makanan, air, dan air untuk bertahan hidup sampai bantuan tiba.

Kata kunci: perjuangan untuk bertahan hidup, perspektif psikologi individu