THE INFERIORITY FEELING OF RUBY CHADWICK
IN ANNA KING’S RUBY CHADWICK:
AN INDIVIDUAL PSYCHOLOGICAL APPROACH

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CHAPTER I

INTRODUCTION

A. Background of the Study

Every human life is full of problems. Sometimes it becomes complex and creates the personality of human life. The problems are very various. There are internal factor and external factor. The problem is from internal factor such as frustration or inferior feeling and external factor is from environment. In the internal factor there is inferiority feeling. Inferiority feeling means feeling weak and unskilled in the face of tasks that need to be completed and by this feeling human being forces to compensate it. Human beings have feeling of inferior at some point of their life and they attempts to compensate for the preserve of this feeling. The feeling influences the human beings style of life, the manner in which to over come the presence of inferiority. Human beings will conduct their compensation in different way depending on the goal that wants to be reached out.

In the efforts and strive for actualized himself on his live in the environment, an individual will face many complex problems of life that will be obscure efforts. The complexities of the problems can give inspiration for an author to produce a literary work. Literary work has the same significance in meaning as understanding human’s existence with this mental and inner-self problem. Since literature is the exposition of human mental life, it can be
said that literary works has relationship to psychology. Literary works and psychology have the same object of the research that is human being.

*Ruby Chadwick* is Anna King’s successful novel that clearly leans on her own experience as a governess, the feeling of humiliation produced in her and a wish fulfillment. *Ruby Chadwick* tends to concentrate to more feeling intensity. Anna King was a female novelist who lived in the Victorian age. In the making of the novel she related the condition of lives especially the physical condition of women life in the Victorian age.

Anna King is one of the novelists in the nineteenth century. She was born on January 11, 1861 at Mercy hospital in London. *Ruby Chadwick* is one of literary works and *Ruby Chadwick* is a novel with the happy ending. The other Anna King work is *Life is Just of Cherries* published in 1893.

*Ruby Chadwick* was published in 1887 having 281 pages divided into 30 chapters. *Ruby Chadwick* is one literary work that depics about family consisting of one father, mother, one daughter and two brothers. Her daughter, Ruby is the major character. The story is telling about women inferiority feeling. After accident she was frustrated because her leg had to be amputated and it made her condition down. Ruby felt that she became an object in her society. Ruby was falling in love with Michael, even her father was not blessing her marriage because Michael only wanted her money. Finally, Ruby became a successful dress making business and had a company. It was proved that she could be useful for her life and society.
Based on the facts that literature is a mirror of the human’s life in the world, the writer tries to analyze the problem of the *Ruby Chadwick* by using individual psychological approach focusing on the inferiority feeling of *Ruby Chadwick* to influence her personality.

**B. Literary Review**

As far as the writer knows, there is one researcher who analyzes *The women struggle by Anna King* using Feminist Approach. Kristanti (2005) analyzes about a methodology, a more complex way of thinking about and action upon the condition of your life. In her research she used Mandell theory. The present writer analyzes the novel by using different approach, that is psychological approach.

**C. Problem Statement**

Regarding to the research background, the problem statement of this study is as follows, “How does the inferiority feeling of *Ruby Chadwick* influence her personality in Anna King’s *Ruby Chadwick*.”

**D. Limitation of the Study**

In this research, the researcher will focus on the analysis of the inferiority feeling that influences the personality of Ruby as a major character in Anna King’s *Ruby Chadwick* by individual psychological approach.
E. Objectives of the Study

There are some research objectives dealing with the study:

1. To analyze the novel based on its structural elements, by finding character and characterization, setting, point of view, plot and theme.
2. To analyze the novel based on individual psychological perspective.

F. Benefit of the Study

The benefits that expected from this study are as follows:

1. Theoretical Benefit

To give contributions to the development of the larger body of knowledge, especially in the study of Anna King’s *Ruby Chadwick* and the aspects of individual psychological study.

2. Practical Benefit

This study is expected to give deeper understanding about the novel especially in individual psychological perspectives.

G. Research Method

1. Type of the Research

The writer uses descriptive qualitative type, the research object in this study is Anna King’s *Ruby Chadwick*.

2. Type of the Data and the Data Sources

a. Primary Data Source

The primary data source is the novel *Ruby Chadwick* written by Anna King published in 1887. The primary data consist of the words, phrases, sentences, narration and dialogues in the novel.
b. Secondary Data Source

The secondary data sources include different materials related to the study such as some books of psychology and theory of literary books.

3. Technique of the Data Collection

The method uses for collecting data is library research. The first step is reading novel and other books that are connected to research, then finding out the important data and arranging data into several parts based on its classification and finally selecting them by rejecting the irrelevant sources, which doesn’t have important information to support the topic of the study.

4. Technique of the Data Analysis

In this research, the writer uses descriptive analysis. This begins with the author and then the structural analysis of the work in the psychological perspective.

H. Paper Organization

This research paper consists of five chapters. The first chapter is introduction, which contains the background of the study, problem statement, literature review, objectives of the study, benefit of the study, limitation of the study, research method and paper organization. Chapter two is underlying theory. The third chapter is structural analysis. The fourth chapter is psychological analysis of this novel and the last chapter is conclusion and suggestion.