

CHAPTER I

INTRODUCTION

1. BACKGROUND OF STUDY

Brave is the quality or state of having or showing mental or moral strength to face danger, fear, or difficulty and is like a natural attitude of a human. But sometimes that bravery rises when we are in a difficult situation and we should show our bravery. People who have the bravery will be able to act wisely without be overshadow by fears that are actually hallucinations.

Brave also can mean a decision whose source comes from ourselves, which we can channel to reach our dreams, dreams, hopes, and goals. Brave is not just the opposite of "fear", but brave has a deeper meaning than that. We in all forms of life situations we experience can choose brave.

Maybe now, just a few people know how important to be braver in life is because without that, sometimes we cannot or we scared to face the problem or to take a risk. Bravery is saying something different and showing empathy for our peers around the world. It is not jumping to conclusions too quickly. It is remembering what we stand for and believing in the best of us.

Many novels give us value of life. One of those values is how to be braver is. One of the novels that teach us how to be brave is Pelican Brief that is written by John Grisham.

John Ray Grisham is a novelist as well as a former politician and retired US lawyer. He is known as a law-themed novelist. He was born on February 8th1955 in Jonesboro, Arkansas, USA. He was graduated from state university on Mississippi in 1977 with Bachelor of Science degree in accounting. Then A Juris Doctor degree he got after graduating from Mississippi University Law School in 1981. He has written many novels one of them is "The Pelican Brief".

The novel begins by introducing the character Khamel, a crazed killer who is paid to murder two Supreme Court Justices, named Rosenberg and Jansen, both who have received many death threats but refuse to let the FBI protect them.

In New Orleans at Tulane University, Darby Shaw, an attractive second-year law student, was trying to solve the mystery behind the killings. Darby had thirteen pages brief on which she thought killed the justices. The brief was passing on to many people and it finally came to the president, who after reading the report became very scared. The FBI wanted to pursue the lead, but after a phone call from the president that told them to back off it; they decided to look at other suspects.

In the meantime, reporter Gray Grantham received a call in the middle of the night from “Gracia” who said that he might know something about the case.

Darby was on a date with her lover professor when he got a little too drunk to drive. Darby insisted that she drive or walk, and to her surprise, he told her to walk. When the professor got into his car and started the engine, the car exploded, killing him on the spot. Darby called a friend of the professor, Gavin and told him what happened because he was the first to see the brief, which was later named “The Pelican Brief”.

Through all of this chaos, Darby managed to stay alive and found time to meet Gray Grantham in Washington D.C. He learned her entire story and in order to confirm it all, they had to find Garcia. They knew that he was a lawyer at a small firm in Washington D.C., so they asked the many interns there if they recognized a picture of him. One out of seven did, so they go to meet him. To their surprise, Garcia was the mage and kills on the streets.

Then the last, Darby was the success to reveal chase and she is could be safe until the end and she started her new life without Callahan, without the brief.

There are some reasons why the author raises bravery because we should be braver to face a problem or everything, with bravery, we are more confident

and sure to face a problem we are also brave to take that risk. Then that novel also gives us knowledge about how to be brave and it makes us know how to struggle and be brave in facing a problem that has a big risk.

Maybe not many people want to raise a brave. Because many of them scared to show that. However, here researcher wants to know how far and how deep that feeling in human life is.

The researcher decides to analyze the novel because (1). The researcher believes that the novel pays attention to society, (2). Then the writer is interested in the novel. (3).The researcher also wants to concern on one of characters, Darby Shaw with her bravery and use behaviorism approach as a theory.

Based on the explanation delivered above, the researcher wants to analyze the phenomena found. The phenomena are the bravery by the character of Darby Shaw in *Pelican Brief* Novel by John Grisham The researcher will give the title of this research that is: BRAVERY REFLECTED BY DARBY SHAW CHARACTER IN PELICAN BRIEF NOVEL BY JOHN GRISHAM 1992: A BEHAVIORISM PERSPECTIVE.

2. PROBLEM STATEMENT

- A. How is bravery depicted in The *Pelican Brief* novel?
- B. What kinds of bravery are in the *Pelican Brief* novel?
- C. What are factors influencing bravery of Darby Shaw?

3. LIMITATION OF STUDY

The researcher only focuses on analyzing bravery characteristic Darby Shaw in the *pelican brief* novel by John Grisham 1992 with behaviorism perspective.

4. OBJECTIVE OF STUDY

The objective of the research is:

- A. To analyze bravery depicted in the pelican brief novel
- B. To analyze kinds of bravery in the pelican brief novel
- C. To know factors influencing bravery of Darby Shaw

5. BENEFIT OF STUDY

These research have some benefit that can use theoretically and practically.

A. Theoretical benefit

The result of the study expected to be able to give information and contribution of knowledge to academic reference. The research can be a reference for another researcher that studies the same object.

B. Practical benefit

This study is expected to enrich knowledge or experience for a researcher in many is like thesis, dissertation or paper and other students from Muhammadiyah Surakarta University or another university who is done the same research.