

CHAPTER I

BACKGROUND OF THE STUDY

A. Background of the Study

The literary work is the author's reflection based on a life, including real story and imagination, usually, gotten by observation and experiment. It can be seen from the author's opinion and idea. The literature has shown creative things and something new delivered to entertain the readers through text, pictures, video, performance, and storybooks. According to Green law's theory (Wellek & Warren, 1956, p. 10), Literary study has become closer to the history of the citizen and tried to closer in all of the similarities.

The novel is a story text that shaped the book-length of fiction. Usually, the author has a purpose for the readers after reading a book. He hopes the readers could apply good examples based on the value in reality, such as doing good things or being a kind human. A novel as the book's fiction is an illustration of the author's way of showing his perspective using a story. It means behavior has a similarity to social life. In this case, a behavior pattern is expressed by action from human habits for repetition activity in every day.

According to Skinner (1974) in Weegar & Diego's research (Weegar & Diego, 2012, p. 1). The behavior could be controlled and predicted by repetition. Therefore, human has known about what should do. It has affected if the environment presented differently from daily. It would change the habit of humans, including feelings, attention, powers, response, social human, and sympathetic.

The issue of the research is behavior patterns of teamwork in *The Maze Runner*. This novel will be analyzed to get a finding from behavior patterns through teamwork. It applies a behaviorist approach. A lot can take from this novel, but the researcher interests in idea about behavior patterns of teamwork. The character could build teamwork until solving all problem and get out of the glade.

The glade is a simulation world where protected the glader from a giant mechanical named the griever. The glader is a teenager group who to be an experiment in the glade. The griever always stays in the labyrinth. The labyrinth called maze. A big spot around the glade closed every night, which protected the glader from the griever. The glader tries to solve the maze since two years ago. If the glader attacked from the griever, he will feel pain and remember his bad memories from the past. It was called changing.

Every month, the box in the elevator sent a newbie, food, clothes, and all supplies. The day after Thomas came to the glade, everything is different. As the leader, Alby and Newt confused for this situation because a girl never took before. A girl was sent from box and brought the message that she was “The last of those who ever existed.” After discussion, the glader prepared a plan to go to solve the maze.

The researcher chooses this novel because it has very well managed in teamwork. A leader of the glader could organize them to be better. It has a point plus in teamwork. As known, a human could not live alone. He needs another. The role presents the power of teamwork in the novel through respecting and believing for each other. It is excellent to motivate the reader about a social human. The researcher conducts research entitled **Behavior Patterns of Teamwork in *The Maze Runner* by James Dashner (2009): A Behaviorist Approach**. The aims of this research to analyze the kind of behavior pattern of teamwork and to find behavior pattern building teamwork.

B. Problem Statement

The researcher formulates the problem statements in this research are as follow:

1. What kinds of behavior patterns of teamwork are reflected in *The Maze Runner*?
2. How do behavior patterns build teamwork in *The Maze Runner*?

C. Objectives of the Study

The researcher formulates objectives of the study in this research are as follow:

1. To find out the kind of behavior patterns of teamwork in the *The Maze Runner*.
2. To show the behavior patterns build teamwork in *The Maze Runner*.

D. Benefit of the Study

The benefit of this research is expected can be more valuable, based on theoretically and practically.

1. Theoretically

The finding of this study can be a source and reference for lecturers and students of the Literature and English Department, especially, information and knowledge of a behaviorist approach.

2. Practically

a. For readers

The researcher wants to show knowledge and information about a behavior pattern of teamwork based on this novel.

b. For college students

The researcher hopes this research would be a reference for research.