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#### Abstrak

Penelitian ini berfokus kepada identifikasi masalah Analisis Kesetaraan Perempuan dalam Film Pride And Prejudice. Teori yang digunakan dalam penelitian ini adalah pendekatan feminisme oleh Welzel & Inglehart. Penelitian ini menggunakan metode deskriptif kualitatif. Metode pengumpulan data dalam penelitian ini adalah menonton film dan membuat catatan. Data berasal dari dua sumber, sebagai berikut data primer dan data sekunder. Film Pride And Prejudice: A Feminist Approach adalah sumber data utama, data sekunder adalah buku, buku ilmiah, situs, artikel, kisah hidup, film dan referensi virtual. Penelitian ini memiliki tujuan untuk mengidentifikasi nilai kesetaraan gender dalam cerita. Hasil penelitian sebagai berikut : (1) Prinsip Kesetaraan Gender : a) Stabilitas Ekonomi; b) Ekspresi Diri; (2) Penampilan Kesetaraan Perempuan Dalam Karakter Elizabeth: a) Pintar; b) Percaya diri; c) Kreatif d) Tidak Pernah Menyerah; (3) Penulis memiliki penekanan terkait feminisme untuk menyampaikan kepada audiens bahwa wanita dapat mandiri dan memiliki jenjang karir di area publik.

**Kata kunci**: Pendekatan Feminisme, Jane Austen, Pride and Prejudice, Kesetaraan Perempuan.

#### **Abstract**

This research focuses on the identification issue of Analysis Of The Women's Equality In Pride And Prejudice Movie. The theory is used in this research is feminism approach by Welzel & Inglehart. The research is used qualitative descriptive. The method of collecting data in this research is watching a film and make note. The data is from two source, as follows primary data and secondary data. Pride And Prejudice Movie: A Feminist Approach is the primary data source, the secondary data are books, scholarly books, site, article, life story, film and virtual references. The research have purposes to identify the value of women equality in the story. The result of the research as follows: (1) The Principles of Gender Equality: a) Economic Stability; b) Self Expression; (2) Presentation of Women Equality of Elizabeth Character: a) Clever; b) Self-Confident; c) Creative d) Never Give Up; (3) the author addressed about feminism to told the audience that woman can be independence and make her carrier in public area.

**Keywords:** Feminism Approach, Jane Austen, Pride and Prejudice, *Women Equality*.

#### 1. INTRODUCTION

Feminism movement in modern era have big chance to express the complications and find solutions to gender problems. Women's liberation that late called feminism movement tries to explore the women will and try to make shield the political, social, monetary and social privileges of ladies. At the end of the day, woman's rights can be characterized as a development trying to set up the character of ladies as an individual, all the more so as a person fit for making their choices and try their privileges free from the asserted predominant male sex. It voices the perspectives and troubles of ladies, their necessities and desires recognized from men.

Movie is a type of literary work that utilizes visual correspondence with moving pictures and sound, which contains an entire story, from the earliest starting point of the issue to its goals, which contains certain implications to show the crowd something. There are numerous sorts of movies that draw in the consideration of the crowd, for example, sentimental, diversion and etc. One film that tell us about feminism is *Pride and Prejudice* movie. The movie presented by the Focus Pictures directed by Joe Wright and adapted from novel by Jane Austen. In this film shows The character of the independent woman wonderful shows by Keira Knightley. She presented by charming women that can to hypnotize man that looks.

This research aim to explore about women equality in the story. In *Pride and Prejudice* movie, Elizabeth as main character have many character that can be prototype as women empowerment. Elizabeth have many character that interesting to explore, especially study about women empowerment. The study will focuses on principle of Women's Equality, Presentation Elizabeth as main character, and why the author of the story addressing feminism especially women equality.

The first study is from the journal written by Manish Kumar Gaurav & Sadaf Fatima that reviewed by (Chandio et al., 2019). this journal is discuss about analysis of novel and movie Pride and Prejudice. this article brings feminist characteristic in the literary works by novelist Jane Austeen special emphasize in

novel Pride an Prejudice which has been adapt into the movie in 2005. in this article the analysis is emphasis on the feminist movement concept of gyno-critism that advocate the stands pf all women in the world.

The second study which is related too with this article is wrote by (Zhou, 2014). This paper aims to analyze about feminism in Regency England. This story that entitled *Pride and Prejudice* who has wrote by British novelist Jane Austen and had been many times adapt to film or drama is a representative masterpiece of feminism, which represented the equal social status about female and male, this story illustrated how ashamed life condition of the female in the British society. By defining the new female image of the main character of Elizabeth, the author of story praised the good want of the female at that time to be independent female and can't dominate by male or other side of norms in England, this story expressed the female's challenging to thetraditional culture of make priority and marked that the females hunted and can't make the decision on their life. So this story is aims for the feminism thought of self-liberation. In this paper the author is try to analyze about feminism movement in story Pride and Prejudice especially in Elizabeth character.

#### 2. METHOD

The type of this research is descriptive qualitative research, because it only using literature not using statistic. According to Strauss and Corbin in *Handbook of Qualitative Research*, qualitative research in by and large has been related with this allowance of faith based expectations. There are two sorts of information source which are expected to break down this examination; they are primary data and secondary data which is utilized to investigate the film. The primary data is taking from watching film and making some notes. The secondary data is from books, scholarly books, site, article, life story, film and virtual references. (Crozier et al., 1994).

#### 3. FINDINGS AND DISCUSSION

According to Ritzer that reviewed (Wijaya & Imron, 2017) men and women are unequally not only differently as the general views from many people. Generally, women in many cases get a little resources in social status, material, public area and ect to develop their passion from men. A study of modern perspective about economic transformation always came from emancipatory worldview which is presented by human choices and self expresson in human life. Especially women that bring their potential to support their carrier. (Welzel & Inglehart, 2006). this researcher analyses focus on four dominant themes in the literature that will use to analyse the theme of research about gender equality: (1) The classical modernization perspective, which emphasizes economic development; (2) The more recent human development perspective, which emphasizes emancipative cultural changes that give rise to gender-egalitarian attitudes and self-expression values; (3) The institutional design perspective, which emphasizes the importance of institutional design.

# 3.1 The Principles of Gender Equality

In the literature study there are many explanations for the status of women in society, this researcher analyses focus on four dominant themes in the literature that will use to analyse the theme of research about gender equality. based on the underlying theory and story, the researcher found some principles of gender equality as follows:

#### 3.1.1 Economic Stability

Human choices is part of the principles of gender equality in the story we can found it. The first principle is about economic stability. Of economic of a person was stable, it will support them to develop their life. But, if they have economic problem, the effect will disturb. i.e. Elizabeth force by her mother to marry with Mr. Collin because Bennet family have economic problem.

# 3.2.2 Self Expression

A perspective stresses the transformation of economic progress into a cultural process of human growth that leads to an emancipatory worldview, which is represented in self-expression ideals that highlight human choice and autonomy, especially women's choices and autonomy (Welzel & Inglehart, 2006). In the story Elizabeth, Mr. Bennet, and Mr. Darcy have some self expression that support women choice and autonomy.

# 3.2 Presentation of Women Equality of Elizabeth Character

#### 3.2.1 Clever

Intelligence is an invaluable asset. Intelligence can support many things in the event of success. in the story elizabeth is an clever woman. The proof is that he has an interest in books and science. He also have critical thinking. Her critical thinking got from her experience that are cognitive and psychomotor.

#### 3.2.2 Self-Confident

In the feminist study approach one of the things in the spotlight is about women's self-confident. Women when they want to be empowered and be a public appearance in the area must be courageous in taking strategic steps. Women must have a high confidence to develop maximum their potential. Elizabeth also have highly self-confident. i.e. when Lady Catherine insulting her family, Elizabeth denying all words that Lady Catherine said.

#### 3.2.3 Creative

In some of the problems that arise in the story, she always takes the initiative to did something that she thinks was the right action. For Example, when her sister Jane's was sick at Mr. Bingley's house, She immediately took the initiative to visited her sister without being ruled by her father.

#### 3.3.4 Never Give Up

Every person in the world always their own problem. Sometimes, big problem came to people and make give up. But if somebody want to success in his life he must never give up when have problem. For Instance in the story, when Mr. Bingley left the Netherfield to London. She

suggested Jane to went to London follow Mr. Bigley and fight for her love.

# 3.3 Reason of Addressing Women Equality in the Story

Jane Austen was the great novelist in the past. He was a great novelist and lived in the 18th century. In other hand, she that known as novelist also known as a representation critics in the English Novel especially "Feminist Tradition". Her novel have specially segments on love and marriages. Almost all her novel in the story that have been wrote is about love, romance, and marriage. However, in love story that her wrote, she always mention a feminist tradition.

In *Pride and Prejudice* story, Jane Austen as the author displayed how the character was and the factors influencing the main character especially related women equality. As (Brown, 1973) said in his study that Jane Austen have feminist tradition from her novel that she wrote. She always maintained the value of women that can empowered.

#### 3.4 Discussion

The researcher found values of gender equality consist of the principles of gender equality In the story, Presentation of Women Equality of Elizabeth and the addressing the author about feminism especially Women Equality.

Firstly, the researcher shows the principle of Gender equality based on the story. It is depicted about the economic stability and self-expression. Economic stability that related was the people if their economic didn't stable, they would used many various way to collect several profit that can support their life. The evidence was Mrs. Bennet force Elizabeth to accept marriage proposal Mr. Collin. But Elizabeth denied these proposal.. Other aspect is about self-expression of women equality. The researcher found self-expression by 3 character that support women Elizabeth, Mr. Darcy, and Mr. Bennet.

Secondly, the researcher found the character of Elizabeth that related with women equality. The data showed that Elizabeth at least 4

character, as follows clever, self-confident, creative and the last one never give up. Those character reflected that women equality. The women who want to be standing with her self must have at least those character. If people wanted to respected by the other they will have these character. Elizabeth in the story because she have these character, she can to be independent women and didn't force by anyone in the story.

Lastly, the researcher found that that Jane Austen have feminist tradition from her novel that she wrote. He always maintain feminism value in her literary works. Jane Austen that women to wanted told the readers of her literary works that women must respected and didn't dominated by anyone.

Based on the data and analysis above, the film Pride and Prejudice movie that adapted from Jane Austen novel have value, practices, illustrated about women equality. The film told us that women didn't can exploitation by anyone. Women must have their own choices. Women must be independent in economic, thought, and some decision.

#### 4. CLOSING

After on the previous chapter that analyse and discuss several topic, the researcher draw 3 conclusion, First, there are two principles Women Equality in Pride and Prejudice Movie as follows; economic stability and self expression. Economic stability refers to the situation of the economic condition that influence condition of social structure. In this case economic stability relate with women equality. Self-expression refers to the personal choices about something. Every person in the world have their own decision. In this study self-expression that relate with women's equality. Second, the presentation of Elizabeth character in the story through as follows clever, self-confident, creative and never give up. Clever refers to Elizabeth illustrated in the story as clever women and have a critical thinking. Elizabeth also have self-confident too. In many scene Elizabeth always be brave when she met a few struggle. Eventually, Elizabeth became creative

women too. She always make some initiative when she want to do something. The last one about never give up. It is refers to Elizabeth if she want something, she will fight for it. Third, the reason why Jane Austen addressed women's equality in the story that she want to shares her thought about women nature and how women can to be independence women. She realized that women have a same chance in public area. Women also prepared their life it self and do not depending what they need to men. Because, the nature of differences men and women only in gender, sex, and physical appearance.

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