

## **CHAPTER I**

### **INTRODUCTION**

#### **A. Background of Study**

A mental disorder is a disorder or phenomenon that can be experienced by everyone due to certain conditions that trigger abnormalities in their mental condition. According to Mubasyaroh (2013), a mental disorder is a failure to react to the adaptation mechanism of psychiatric functions so that there is a disturbance in the psychological structure that causes mental disorders. Based on the condition, everyone can potentially suffer from this disorder if they are not mentally strong.

There are several reasons why mental disorders can occur, some of which are due to internal and external factors. An example of an internal factor is when it turns out that someone has a mental disorder caused by genetics or heredity so that it is considered a congenital disorder. Regarding the example of external factors are conditions that trigger this mental disorder such as acts of violence or the existence of conditions that cannot be accepted because they are incomplete conflict with what he wants.

Mental disorders can be described into various events, one of which is a fairly rare phenomenon, namely Multiple Personality Disorder or Dissociative Identity Disorder. Generally, this kind of disorder is often referred to as multiple personalities. This disorder occurs when a person has two or more personalities in one body.

Most people describe that multiple personalities like DID are the same as Alter Ego, even though these two things are completely different even though they have similarities. The location of the similarity in the formation of a new character so that there is more than 1 character in the body. However, the difference is the character-building process. If DID forms a character or personality not consciously or

accidentally, then Alter Ego is a process of formation that is carried out consciously and deliberately by personality primarily to have the personality it craves.

For cases like this DID, many theories say that the main factor that causes this disorder is experienced by someone, namely due to severe trauma, violence, or sexual harassment. Laura (2006) states that “the majority of people view DID as a manifestation of the separation of the core personality into different personalities as a creative way to solve the sufferer's severe problems”.

In describing a phenomenon like this, of course, it will be difficult to convey when using factual data as the object. Therefore, researchers are interested in using film as a medium to further investigate this phenomenon. The film is a literary work that is conveyed visually and depicts an event that may occur in society. Klarer (1998: 57) says that film is a drama genre that uses an expression tool, namely actors, has strong visuals and requires a good presentation including camera angles, editing, and is recorded in a voice that tells the story. Films are also believed to contain several moral values and lessons that can be taken.

In this study, researchers used *SPLIT Movie* (2016) because it has a correlation with the phenomenon of multiple personalities, or often referred to as DID or MPD. The split movie is one of the media that can provide education to the public about the importance of providing life worthiness to children to prevent the emergence of multiple personality disorders in children. Split movie is more focused on discussing multiple personality disorders as has been represented by other films. But what makes this film interesting and can win awards is because of an interesting and unusual thing. It is explained that the main character in this film, Kevin Wendell Crumb has many personalities that are not small. This film surprised the audience by presenting a character that has 24 personalities.

The split movie is a horror-thriller genre film that carries the nuances of psychology in it. The film earned \$ 278 million worldwide just by spending a budget

of \$ 9 million. Of course, this film is interesting to be analyzed to see how well-known the name of the film is, causing a lot of criticism and input from a variety of different perspectives.

The point of this film shows that Kevin who has a Dissociative Identity Disorder began to experience the disorder because of the trauma he experienced when he was 10 years old due to excessive fear due to physical violence committed by his mother. Over time, a new personality emerged from Kevin to make him escape from his experience of self-defense. The more days the personality of Kevin continues to grow to 24.

Researchers use the psychoanalysis theories by Freud to analyze Dissociative Identity Disorder experienced by Kevin as the main character in the Split Movie. Researchers used qualitative research by applying analysis description techniques to obtain data from the film either from scenes or scripts in the film. In using psychoanalysis theory, researchers will divide the theory into 3 parts, namely id, ego, superego. The aim of this paper is to analyze the cause of Dissociative Identity Disorder that experienced by Kevin as the main character. So this analysis is entitled: KEVIN'S MENTAL DISORDER CAUSES : A PSYCHOANALYTIC STUDY ON THE SPLIT MOVIE.

## **B. The Identification of the Problems**

Research problems are identified as follows :

- a. The students did not understand the mental or psychology clash that occurs in the split movie.
- b. The students did not know about mental disorders such as multiple personalities.

### **C. Limitation or Scope**

The scope of this study focuses on the psychoanalysis of split films. To avoid widening the scope of the discussion in this study, the researcher decided to limit the research by examining Dissociative Identity Disorder on the main character of the split film.

### **D. The Formulation of the Problems**

In this study, the writer used the Split Movie. In this movie, the story tells the main character Kevin who is a man that had a mental disorder. The writer took three questions, as follows:

The research problem is formulated as follows:

- a. What causes Kevin to suffer from mental disorders such as Dissociative Identity Disorder ?
- b. How do Id, Ego, Superego portray the main character in the split movie?

### **E. The objective of Study**

Based on the previous statement, the research objectives are as follows :

- a. To analyze the cause of Kevin as the main character can suffer from DID
- b. To find out how Id, Ego, Superego showed by the main character is based on the basic principle of Freud's psychoanalytic theory.

### **F. Benefit of the Study**

The results of this research were being expected to be useful theoretically and Practically.

#### **1. Theoretical Benefit**

This research is expected to add insight and knowledge about the factors that cause mental disorders in a person, so that they can take preventive measures so that

mental disorders do not occur, and also hopefully as a means of developing science that is theoretically learned in lectures.

## **2. Practical Benefit**

### a. For Writers

This research is expected to be a useful tool in implementing the writer's knowledge about mental disorder to analyze a literary work.

### b. For the next researcher

This research is expected to contribute to the development of theories regarding the factors that cause mental disorders in a person, for those who wish to continue this research.