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Characterization of The Main Characters in The Kissing Booth Movie

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ABSTRACT

This study conducted to deal with two research method problems which are (1) What are the characterization of the main characters in the movie The Kissing Booth. Qualitative method was used to analysed the data in this study. To answer the first and the second problem this study applied the theory from Halliday (1999). The discussion is focused on two main characters, namely Elle Evans and Noah Flynn. The data source was a movie entitled The Kissing Booth. The data were collected through library research by watching the movie, reading script, and note taking. The result of this study shows that are four aspects of characterization of the main characters. In showing those aspects, the writer presented the picture or dialogue from the movie. There were four aspects of characterization analysed by the writer, there are physical appearance, personality, social status, and social relationship.

1. INTRODUCTION

Communication is an important part of life, communication is done to provide information from one person to other person "People like to communicate to establish relationship with other people" (Wulandari & Firmawan, 2019). In studying foreign language, we deal with two categories that is Linguistics and Literature. In this study the writer interested in Literature. Literature is a literary work made by someone in the form of films, novels, and also the art of music. "Literature is the embodiment of knowledge of the art of language, capable of vibrating the soul in the form of writing" (Ifianti & Rahman, 2020). Literature has a several types, one of the types is movie. Movie is a work made in the form of sound and also images that are shown on a screen. "Movie has an emotional and intellectual appeal that can be an exciting discipline of film studies" (Thamrin, 2013). Movie contain many elements that is plot, theme, setting, point of view and also the most important is character. Character is some of the traits possessed by humans, that is include bad or good traits. "The characters are the key to the way in which the story is lived" (Ifianti & Rahman, 2020).

Analysis character in movie aims to know the character of a person, with that we can develop our character to be a better than before. Jones H Edward (1968) states there are four aspects of characterization, those are Physical Appearance, Personality, Social Status, and Social Relationship, it will help to see the characterization of the main characters.

This study expands on previous research. The first study is taken from (Asminda, 2018) with title "The Analysis of Maleficent's Characterization as the Main Character in Maleficent Movie by Robert Tromberg". This study is discussed about the characterization of the main character in Maleficent Movie. From this research, the writer found that some of Maleficent's characterization as the main character in this movie, they are good girl, grumpy, trouble maker, guardian angels and also a good witch. The second study is from (Rahmah, Mustofa, & Nisa, 2021) with the title "An Analysis of the Characterization of the Characters in Short Movie Entitled Ibu". This study is discussed about the characterization of the characters and the moral values. This research found the characterization of the characters in Gerry was an antagonist character while the mother was a protagonist character. And the third study is from (Rahmawati, 2020) with the title "An Analysis of Characterization in the Theory of Everything Movie". This research is discussed about the characters and characterization in the movie is important because characterization or description of a character is an important element in the story. From the result of the research, it revealed that Stephen Hawking and Jane Wilde Hawking are the main character in the movie. In this research has similarities in analysing characterization. Meanwhile there are some differences from the previous study with this study is the first study used movie entitled Maleficent. Then, the second study use movie entitled Ibu. And the third study used movie entitled Everything.

Here the writer focused on analysing of Characterization of the Main Characters in the movie "The Kissing Booth", this study is aims to know the characterization of the main characters. This data and topic is interested to analysed because nowadays young people prefer to watch romantic genre movie, "The Kissing Booth" is a romantic movie that tells the love story of a young woman namely Elle Evans and a young man namely Noah Flynn, and also this movie received an award in Kids Choice Award categories favourite movie 2019, and Joey King (Elle Evans) received an award that is Favourite Actress 2019. This movie is taken from novel which at that time also became a popular novel on Wattpad. So, the writer very interested to analysed the characterization of Elle Evans and Noah Flynn.

2. METHODS

Data source is needed to make the analysis easier to do. In this study the data source is taken from movie entitled "The Kissing Booth" realease date on 11 May 2018, published by Beth Reekles. Produced by Ed Glauser. Production Company by Hiburan Komixx. This data were collected by using library research that is reading the script, note taking and watching the movie from https://193.178.172.113/movie/the-kissing-booth-2018/ in order to found the characterization of the main characters. In this study, the writer used qualitative method to analysed the data. The result of this study present by informal way.

3. RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

RESULTS

This chapter are present the result of the data that contain a description and explanation of Characterization of the main characters that used to analyse "The Kissing Booth" movie. The data present by using informal way. This chapter also to answer the problems of the study. In this section, the research will present four aspects of Characterization proposed by (Edward, 1968) based on the movie "The Kissing Booth".

1. Physical Appearance of the Main Characters

Physical appearance is used to describe the physical of the person especially the body that is could be their sex (women or men), how they look, their hair, and also the skin colour, the hair colour, etc.

There are two main characters in the movie, they are;

1. Elle Evans

From the images of Elle Evans in the movie, we can see the physical appearance of Elle, she is young pretty women, she had a sexy and tiny body, and she also has a blue eye with dark brown hair.

2. Noah Flynn

Noah is a man with good looking and good body, he is a tall man with the muscular in his body, and he also has a dark brown eye with brown hair

In this movie, Elle's and Noah's physical appearance is supporting the character the way Hollywood romantic dictated, person physically representing the ideal.

2. Personality of the Main Characters

Personality is the characteristic of feelings, thought, and behaviour that make a person distinctive. It determines the personality of the character such as the responsible, disciplined and pleasant and also the careless.

1. Elle Evans

Based on the movie, the personality of Elle Evans is friendly, opportunistic and supportive with her friend.

2. Noah Flynn

Based on the movie, the personality of Noah Flynn is typical of bad boy, a cool boy, and a trouble maker

3. Social status of the main characters

Social status is related to the description of the character environment, the social status aspect can be analysed by the character's life history, that is he/she education, grew up, career and they life.

1. Elle Evans

Elle is a student grade 11 in high school, and she is a daughter that have one younger brother. When she was 16 years old, her mother died and she just lived with her dad and her younger brother

2. Noah Flynn

Noah is a student grade 12, he is Elle's senior, he is a son and have daughter named Lee Flynn. Lee also best friend of Elle, they have been a friend since childhood, Noah's mother and Elle's mother is also best friend.

4. Social relationship of the main characters

A social relationship is a feeling of the character being connected to the other characters in way that they cannot experience alone, such as emotional, physical health, among others.

Elle is Noah's girlfriend and also a best friend of Noah's brother named Lee. Elle is dating with Noah without Lee's know her relationship, because they have friendship rules, one of which is "relatives are totally off-limits", Elle or Lee can't have relationship with one of their siblings. But Elle has had feelings with Noah for a long time and in the end they decided to date secretly without Lee knowing about their relationship. In the end Lee knows everything about Elle and Noah's relationship.

DISCUSSION

This chapter is concerned with the problems which are to know the characterization of the main character in the movie "The Kissing Booth". In this movie, the writer found two characters that is Elle Evans and Noah Flynn. It can be analysed as follow:

1. Physical Appearance of Elle Evans and Noah Flynn

The physical appearance of Elle Evans in this movie, she is young pretty women, she has a blue eye with dark brown hair. And the physical appearance of Noah is a man with good looking and good body, he is a tall man with the muscular in his body. It can be seen in the data below:

Data 1

Setting : At the airport

Duration : (M.1.38.34)



Analysis: When Elle escorted Noah to Harvard University. When Elle crying at the airport it showed the blue eyes with dark brown hair. It can be concluded Elle has a blue eye and dark brown hair.

Data 2

Setting : At Noah's house

Duration : (M.04.55)



Analysis: When Noah approached Elle in the swimming pool, when he walked it showed his tall body and his muscle that very cool. It can be concluded he has a tall body and muscle in his body.

2. Personality of the main character

The personality of Elle and Noah in this movie is Elle is very friendly. But the personality of Noah is a trouble maker. It can be seen as the data below:

Data 3

Setting: At the canteen school

Duration: (M.12.19)



Analysis: When Elle was sitting alone at canteen, Elle was approached by the most popular gang in her school, they are Olivia, Mia, and Gweneth. Elle is very friendly even though the gang is very famous and arrogant but Elle is still friendly. It can be concluded Elle is friendly person.

Data 4

Setting: At School

Duration: (M.08.48)



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Analysis: When Elle's ass was hit by her friend named Tuppen, Noah immediately hit Tuppen and at that time they got into a fight, the was see by the headmaster and Noah was given a scorch. It can be concluded Noah is trouble maker.

3. Social Status of Elle Evans and Noah Flynn.

Social status of Elle is a daughter who only has father and social status of Noah is have a younger brother named Lee Flynn. It can be seen from the data below:

Data 5

Setting: At Elle's house

Duration: (M.07.24)



Analysis: In the morning when Elle was going to school, she approached her father who was having breakfast, she took breakfast and also said goodbye to her father. It can be concluded Elle is a daughter.

Data 6

Setting: At Noah's house

Duration: (M.1.10.48)



Analysis: Lee went to Noah's room because he wanted to borrow his brother clothes, Lee is the younger brother of Noah Flynn. It can be concluded Noah has a daughter.

4. Social Relationship of Elle Evans and Noah Flynn

Social relationship of Elle, she is had a sex with Noah and also Noah just had a sex with Elle even though Noah is a bad boy. It can be seen from the data below:

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Data 7

Setting: At Noah's house

Duration: (M.1.04.19)



Analysis: When they back from the school, they came to Noah's house and they had sex together at Noah's room. It can be conclude Elle and Noah had a sex based on the picture above.

4. CONCLUSION

After analysing the characterization in the movie "The Kissing Booth", the writer concludes there are four aspect of the characterization in the movie "The Kissing Booth" based on theory (Edward, 1968). It found four aspect that is Physical Appearance of the main character, Personality of the main character, Social status of the main character, and Social relationship of the main character.

From the data, found the characterization of the main character is the physical appearance of Elle Evans, she is young pretty women, she had a sexy and tiny body, and she also has a blue eye with dark brown hair. And the physical appearance of Noah Flynn is a man with good looking and good body, he is a tall man with the muscular in his body, and he also has a dark brown eye with brown hair. The personality of Elle Evans is Based on the movie is Elle Evans is friendly, opportunistic and supportive with her friend. And the personality of Noah Flynn is typical of bad boy, a cool boy, and a trouble maker. The social status Elle is a student grade 11 in high school, and she is a daughter that have one younger brother. When she was 16 years old, her mother died and she just lived with her dad and her younger brother. And the social status of Noah is a student grade 12, he is Elle's senior, he is a son and have daughter named Lee Flynn. Lee also best friend of Elle, they have been a friend since childhood, Noah's mother and Elle's mother is also best friend. And the last is the social relationship, Elle is Noah's girlfriend and also a best friend of Noah's brother named Lee. Elle is dating with Noah without Lee's know her relationship, because they have friendship rules, one of which is "relatives are totally off-limits", Elle or Lee can't have relationship with one of their siblings. But Elle has had feelings with Noah for a long time and in the end they decided to date secretly without Lee knowing about their relationship. In the end Lee knows everything about Elle and Noah's relationship.

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