

CHAPTER 3

RESEARCH METHOD

The research methodology presents several theories that support the analysis in this thesis. In this chapter, the researcher presents some steps which will be done in this thesis. and all will be explained in some parts. The first part is the design of the research that is the qualitative research. The second part is the object of research that is novel *Mistress*, in this section there will be two data, namely the main data and supporting data. The third part is technique of data collection aiming to illustrate the kinds of data collected and to explain the procedure in collecting the data. The fourth part is the data analysis technique which presents the technique in the analysis the data.

A. Research Design

This research was a qualitative research because the data presented in the novel of *Mistress* in the form of the text and sentence. According to Creswell (2009: 173) qualitative research depend on text and image data, have unique steps in data analysis and can be draw on different strategies of research. The object of research is delivered more in words than in numbers. Then, in this research, the words, sentences or dialogue in the text of the novel related to the conflict issue and the struggle of the main character to overcome the conflicts become the data of the study. According to Hancock (2009: 6) qualitative research focuses on reports of experience or on data which cannot be adequately expressed numerically, in contrast quantitative research uses statistical techniques that allow us to talk about how likely it is that something is “true” for a given population in an objective or measurable sense.

B. Data Source

Sources of data in this study obtained from the novel "*Mistress*" by James Patterson. The researcher reads and understands the text to find the data in the form conflict and the main character's struggle to overcome the conflict to facilitate the researcher, the division of data into two types, these data include:

B. 1. The Main Data

This research consists of some data to be the object of analysis. The data is taken from James Patterson's novel "Mistress". The concentration of this study is the conflict struggle of the main character in the novel "Mistress".

B. .2. The Supporting Data

Supporting data is also very necessary in the process of completion of this research. In this analysis, the supporting data comes from several sources. The source comes from books, journals, articles, and the information in the internet.

C. Data Collection Technique

The data in this study are taken from a few sentences selected around the narrative itself in "Mistress" and then the researcher arranged some steps to be able to get the detail information and the relevant data. The researcher will use reading technique by reading the novel carefully. Then the researcher will collect the relevant data by taking notes when he got the data that related to the topic. The process of data collection, the researcher will use four steps, namely reading (including observation), taking notes (the most important ways in data collecting technique), classifying and interpreting the data. The steps or technique that is taken by the researcher to collect the data in this study as followed:

1. Reading

The first step to collect the data is by reading a carefully novel of Mistress. The researcher also reads the text many times make the researcher easy to understand the object and found the data that related to the topic. Since the subject of this study is text, the researcher also reads the text many times. In order to get clear understanding of the content of the novel, the researcher performed careful and comprehensive observation to the text in the novel.

2. Taking Notes

The second step is taking notes. After reading the text carefully and many times, the researcher understood and found the data that related to the topic. The data that the researcher found help the researcher to classify and interpreted the data. When the researcher found the data, the researcher makes simple notes or rewrites them in the form of main words and sentence. Takes notes make the researcher easier in classifying and interpreting the data. The data are the conversations from the novel itself.

3. Classifying

The third step is classifying the data. After the researcher found the data, the researcher classified the data that related to the topic. The data classified according to the topic of discussion. All the data were categorized in order to answer the research questions.

4. Interpreting the data

The last step is interpreting the data. The researcher reads carefully the text and observed every single page and paragraph in order to have clear interpretation. After the researcher classified the data, the researcher interpreted the data with the theory that used in this study.

D. Data Analysis Technique

There are several steps to analyze the data. Firstly, read the novel carefully and even need to be repeated several times. This is to study the content of the novel intensively so as to prevent misunderstanding in the analysis. Second, underscores, understands, and identifies the conflict that appear in the *Mistress* novel. Third, analyze related data according to conflict theory. After collecting the data to be analyzed, the researcher analyzes the data with several steps, First, the researcher finds and analyzes some narrative or paragraph choices and context around the conversation or paragraph in the novel. Second, the researcher looks for some theories related to the chosen analysis. Third, the researcher explains the definition of conflict. Fourth, describe the type of conflict. Fifth, the researcher analyzes the conflict used by the main character in the novel and its influence on the life of the main

character. Finally, the researcher summarizes based on the discussion. The researcher performed several steps in analyzing the data in accordance to six steps by Creswell (2009: 185).