

CHAPTER I

INTRODUCTION

The introduction should include the following elements: 1) Research Background, 2) Research Problem, 3) Research Objective, 4) Research Limitation, 5) Research Significance, 6) Definition of Key Terms

1.1. Research Background

In this world, humans are not free from problems. One of them is if humans are given by a disease. Especially if the disease is one of the diseases that can cause death. The disease that causes death is cancer. According (Saini, et.al, 2019), Cancer is a disease caused by epigenetic or genetic changes in somatic cells and has abnormal cell growth that can spread to other parts of the body. Cancer is increasing every year. The arrival of cancer does not look at young or old age. Even cancer does not look at the gender of men or women.

The people when facing with a cancer definitely be very surprises. In fact, it is not uncommon for someone to immediately become desperate. The people who are diagnosed with cancer will immediately think about the costs and how the treatment should be carried out. So that causes people with cancer to suddenly become

pessimistic. This will definitely have a direct impact on their future lives.

One of the support systems for people diagnosed with cancer is the family. Especially parents are the most important source to stay beside people diagnosed with cancer. Family plays a big role so that people affected by cancer do not experience despair. Moreover, people with cancer need the closest people to help in healing their disease. So that people with cancer do not think that their disease will keep them away from their families.

In addition to family being one of the support systems, friends are also a support system for people with cancer. People with cancer, must miss their friends for entertainment when they are in their worst condition. Especially with the cancer condition suffered, surely people with cancer miss their normal days when they can play freely with their friends. Especially if you see normal people are free to do anything, cancer sufferers can feel jealous and discouraged.

The surrounding environment is also a factor for cancer sufferers so they don't feel insecure and ostracized. Sometimes there are also in the environment around cancer sufferers who think that cancer is a disease that can be transmitted. It definitely makes cancer sufferers to keep their distance from other people. Therefore, a good and supportive environment is needed so that

cancer sufferers do not feel that their disease is a disease that can harm the people around them.

Cancer sufferers in dealing with their disease, definitely need motivation in living a life that they think is no longer colorful. Constructive and positive motivation can improve the healing of cancer patients quickly. In addition to cure the disease to a doctor or oncologist who is already a professional, but the mental cancer patients must also be cured. This is done so that cancer sufferers do not feel alone in dealing with their illness and must remain enthusiastic so that their disease can recover as usual.

There are many kinds of knowledge to broaden our horizons through various sources such as newspapers, magazines, books, films, and novels. According (Ade, 2008: 24) that novel is a narrative that the characters and events in that novel are presented in a realistic, true-to-life manner. Novel entitled “The Fault in Our Stars” by John Green, describes the struggle of a woman names Hazel Grace and a man names Augustus Waters who are facing cancer. The researcher wants to do a research with analysis influence of Waters for Hazel in facing the cancer. The title is **“The Influence and Support Of Augustus Waters to Hazel Grace in Facing The Cancer Through Novel “The Fault in Our Stars” by John Green.**

1.2. Research Problems

The purpose of the study is directly relates to the research above are :

- a. What are the influences of Augustus Waters to Hazel Grace in facing the cancer through novel entitled “The Fault in Our Stars” by John Green?
- b. What are the supports of Augustus Waters to Hazel Grace in facing the cancer through novel entitled “The Fault in Our Stars” by John Green ?

1.3. Research Objective

The purpose of the study is directly relates to the problems above are :

- a. To know the influences of Augustus Waters to Hazel Grace in facing the cancer through novel entitled “The Fault in Our Stars” by John Green
- b. To know the supports of Augustus Waters to Hazel Grace in facing the cancer through novel entitled “The Fault in Our Stars” by John Green

1.4. Research Limitation

This research will be focuses on three limitation, there are :

- a. Limitation only focus on discussing novel entitled The Fault In Our Stars by John Green.

- b. Limitation only focus about Augustus Waters support to Hazel Grace in facing the cancer.
- c. Limitation only focus two characters that stand out, they are Augustus Waters and Hazel Grace.

1.5. Research Significance

The result of this research is intended for some readers. In addition, hopefully this research will make a positive contribution to some readers.

- a. For general readers, they will know how to treat cancer patients well.
- b. For readers who are especially cancer sufferers, they will feel high spirits and not feel pessimistic.
- c. For readers who are especially families of cancer sufferers, they will treat cancer patients fairly and keep provide strength to face their disease.
- d. For readers who are especially friends with cancer patients, they will treat cancer patients by excommunicate them.
- e. For teachers who especially teach cancer sufferers, they will give special treatment and give more enthusiasm.

1.6. Definition of Key Terms

To avoid misunderstanding by the readers, it is essential to give clarification about the term uses in this study as follows.

a. Influence

According (Slattery, 2007), influence is defined as change in an individual thoughts, feelings, attitudes, or behaviors that results from interaction with another individual or a group. There are some various of influence such as, the influence of motivation and the influence of spirituality.

b. Support

According (Baron and Byrne, 2000), defines support as the physical and psychological comfort provided by the individual friends and family. There are some various of support such as, environmental support, psychological support, and economy support.

c. Cancer

According (Bansode, 2019:105), cancer is a collection of sickness including irregular cell development with the possibility to attack to various parts of the body. Cancer cannot be underestimated because it can cause death. Therefore, we must adopt a healthy lifestyle so as not to be exposed to various diseases including cancer.

d. Novel

According (Wellek & Warren, 1948: 212), novel is kind of work that written in a form of narrative story in order to

entertain the reader. In the story contained in the novel, experiences and life problems are usually being the most essential point, fictions have to remain as an interesting story and has an aesthetic purpose.