AN ANALYSIS OF THE MESSAGES OF EDGAR ALLAN POE’S POEMS

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Literature is one of arts which has it’s own language variety. The language of literature usually interests people for its beauty. By means of literature expression, a poet is able to reveal clearly human characteristics, behavior and how human being encounter his problems. Poem is one of literary works that mostly uses figurative language to analyze. A poem is interested to read and it may bring knowledge and message for the readers.

The purpose of this study is to know the detail meanings subject matter and messages of “To Hellen” and “The Valley of Unrest” poems. This study uses purposive descriptive qualitative research design because the writer just analyzed two poems that is “To Hellen” and “The Valley of Unrest” which use figurative language in analyzing. In this study the writer used objective approach. The object of this study is “To Helen” and “The Valley of Unrest” poems composed by Edgar Allan Poe.

The detail meaning of “To Hellen” is talking about the beautiful scenery that Edgar Allan Poe was amazed with. He called the place of Hellen and he described the beautiful place like in Holly Land. Subject matter of the poem is about the beautiful of a place. The detail meaning of “The Valley of Unrest” is talking about the effect of war to the nature. He described a tragic place where there is no wind that stirred the trees, lifeless because everything is death, which is symbolized by the discription of grave in the valley. Subject matter of the poem is about the effect of war to the nature. The messages of that poems is we must preserve the environment surrounding us by replant, keep the sea and jungle, and avoid war etc.

This study generally aimed at knowing the detail meanings, subject matter, and messages of “To Hellen” and “The Valley of Unrest” poems composed by Edgar Allan Poe. Also giving the picture to the people, who are interested in literary work in order to make them capable of analyzing poetry.