A STUDY ON LOVE AFFAIR IN DANIELLE STEEL’S NOVEL “THE SUMMER’S END”

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ABSTRACT

Literature is one of great creative and universal means of communicating the emotional, spiritual or intellectual concerns of mankind. Novel is one of literary works, which has purpose for entertainment, enjoyment and experience. They have a certain message for the reader. They must read a novel critically if they want to see message in it. To be interested in a literary work, a sharp sense of appreciation is needed to get the willingness to find out what the author wants to express to the readers and how the reader interprets the author’s intention and achievement.

The purpose of the study is to find out the answer of the research problems: (1) The causes of Marc Edouard’s love affair, (2) The effects of Marc Edouard’s love affair, (3) The ending of Marc Edouard’s love affair.

The study uses the descriptive qualitative which aims at predicting the characteristic of population systematically, factually, and accurately. The approach that is used in this study is objective approach. It means that the writer does not need studying the author’s life and the background of society. In studying this novel, the whole sequences of events, in “The Summer’s End” novels are the population of this study. The sample is the events, which represent love affair of Marc in the story. It is obtained by taking some paragraphs and dialogues in the novel “The Summer’s End” which have relation to Marc’s love affair.

The causes of Marc Edouard’s love affair were when Deanna refused to spend a summer in France and Marc felt strange to spend a summer without Deanna. The effects of Marc Edouard love affair were: Marc had less attention to Deanna, Deanna leaved Marc and Deanna choosed to live with her baby and Ben Thomson and they (Marc and Deanna) divorced in May. The endings of Marc Edouard’s love affair were that Marc stay in San Francisco with Chantal and Deanna got married with Ben Thomson at the end of May.