

AN ANALYSIS OF PATRICIA ANN BERGEN'S LOVE IN BETTE GREENE'S NOVEL "SUMMER OF MY GERMAN SOLDIER"



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Life is a struggle which needs experiences, passions, imaginations, motivations to get it. Literature is one way to reproduce or recreate the experiences, passions, imaginations, motivations of life in the world. Understanding literature is not only limited on poem and drama, but also involves prose fiction. Literature can be adopted by human to express their feelings, ideas, experiences, and confidences in the concrete description by using language. Moreover, human will record the experiences, imaginations, motivations, loves, whether sad or happy on their thought. Novel is one of the literary works that the writer of the thesis likes best, because it is more amusing and memorable.

This study analyzed Patricia's love in "Summer of My German Soldier", written by Bette Greene. There were two main problems in this study: a) What kinds of love does Patricia Ann Bergen experience with Frederick Anton Reiker? b) What are Patricia Ann Bergen's reasons of falling in love with Frederick Anton Reiker? The purposes of the study were: To know the kinds of love of Patricia Ann Bergen experiences with Frederick Anton Reiker. To know Patricia Ann Bergen's reasons of falling in love with Frederick Anton Reiker. The literary study covered a lot of aspects, for example: plot, conflict, character, and theme. The researcher limited the discussion on the Patricia's love found in the novel of "Summer of My German Soldier."

This study used descriptive qualitative research design and the approach was objective approach. Object of the study was Bette Greene's novel "Summer of My German Soldier". The data were the quotations of the paragraphs, sentences, or dialogues, which were related to the problems. The results of the study showed that 1) the kind of love of Patricia Ann Bergen with Frederick Anton Reiker was categorized as consummate love, while Frederick Anton Reiker's love was temporary love. 2) The reasons of Patricia Ann Bergen's love with Frederick Anton Reiker were characteristic and physical factors. Patricia loved Anton's characteristic because Anton was an honest and a kind person. In the physical factor, Patricia also loved Anton's performance because Anton was handsome and could speak English very well.