

# A STUDY ON ASHLEY PATTERSON'S POSTTRAUMATIC STRESS DISORDER ON SYDNEY SHELDON'S NOVEL "TELL ME YOUR DREAMS"

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People are accustomed to literary works, as they engaged with language every time. Literature is an expression of life through a language form. The author is free to use words through his imagination in his works, in offering the readers about kind of the description of the life that frequently occur in the human life. This study takes Sidney Sheldon's novel "Tell Me Your Dream". This novel is very interesting because this novel belongs to psychological novel. The writer of this thesis analyzed about Posttraumatic Stress Disorder on Ashley Patterson, Ashley Patterson's Posttraumatic Stress Disorder background, and the effect of Ashley Patterson's Posttraumatic Stress Disorder toward herself in "Tell Me Your Dreams" novel by Sidney Sheldon.

This study applied descriptive research design. The approach that is used is objective approach. It views that literary work-studies free from the author, the audience, the environment, and other factors related with it. The object of this study is the whole events that in the forms of paragraph, sentences, and the dialogues related to the conflict faced the main character.

The result of the study shows that 1) Posttraumatic Stress Disorder on Ashley Patterson are acting or feeling as if the traumatic event were recurring, inability to recall an important aspect of the event, feeling estrangement from others, restricted range of affection, Hyper vigilance, and exaggerated startle response. 2) Ashley Patterson's Posttraumatic Stress Disorder background is her father always raped Ashley when she was child. 3) The effect of Ashley Patterson's Posttraumatic Stress Disorder toward herself is Ashley became a multiple personal disorder.