

CHAPTER I

INTRODUCTION

A. Background of the study

Literature is an access that provides a way for us to know the world. Literature nowadays has become a tool to express what someone feeling into a beautiful play of words, such as figurative language, or connotative meaning that shown in a literary work. This analysis intend to explain about literature which is written in the form of novel. That is why, it is important to tell about the definition of literature, so that either the writer or the readers can be easily understand about literature itself. Rees (1973) stated that “Literature is a permanent expression in words of some thought or feeling or idea about life and the world. It may be good, bad, or indifferent”.

Literature is a term used to describe written or spoken material. Broadly speaking, "literature" is used to describe anything from creative writing to more technical or scientific works, but the term is most commonly used to refer to works of the creative imagination, including works of poetry, drama, fiction, and nonfiction. This thesis is arranged using fiction because this novel tells about the characters love which is so different from our life. In the story, she is in love with her boyfriend a vampir.

In the line opinion of the researcher, the novel is one kind of book that is written for everyone. There is no limit of the profession to be able to write a novel. What distinguishes only a beginner level with professional experience. Novel is a prose that tells the life of humans as well as in romance. But simpler and shorter novel only tells the story of the conflict of actors so that it changes the fate of characters. Each novel has its own characteristics or traits.

Novel is long prose works with a great amount of detail on every page. The effect of this detail is that the readers can recognize the complex reality of a characters or event in the story Napitulu (2010). Sumardjo (1998) says that “Novel is a story with the prose form in long shape, this long shape means the story including the complex plot, many character and various setting. This analysis is about a story from a novel. It is known that novel is one of the kinds of literature, beside poetry and drama. Poetry is written in lines by focus rhymes scheme.

Character is one of essential element in fiction or novel. Fiction is a creative process. In making and developing the character, an author cannot be separated from creativity freedom. Fiction contains and offers life model which according to author’s point of view. The author is freely creating character according to his creativity. Even though the character is just imaginary character, he has to represent someone in the real life or lifelike, because the real life is a reference for the reader to understand the character. Literary work are to be enjoyed by readers. Because no wonder indeed Meyer create twilight, breaking dawn with all the characteristics that appear in it as literature teen will be literature in the designation for teenagers.

According to Britannica Stephenie Meyer (born December 24, 1973, Hartford, Connecticut, U.S.) is an American author known for the popular *Twilight Saga*, a series of vampire themed novels for teenagers. Meyer, who was raised in Phoenix, Arizona, received a National Merit Scholarship and attended Brigham Young University, where she graduated with a bachelor’s degree (1997) in English literature. She married in 1994 and worked as a homemaker, caring for her three sons.

Inspired by a dream, Meyer completed the manuscript for her first book, *Twilight* (2005), in three months. Soon thereafter *Little, Brown and Co* offered her \$750,000 the most the company had ever offered a first time author for the manuscript and two future books. *The Twilight Saga*,

as her series of four books came to be known, tells the story fraught with danger, suspense, and searing passion of teenager Bella Swan and her vampire boyfriend, Edward Cullen. Meyer described her vampires as “very light” sensitive, thoughtful, even beautiful figures rather than blood guzzling predators. Some, like Edward and his family, do not drink human blood. They also do not turn into bats or sleep in coffins, and they travel abroad in daylight. This unconventional take on vampires, along with vivid characterizations and spot-on portrayals of obsessive love and other varieties of teen angst, won Meyer a fervid following among teenage girls.

Twilight won accolades from The New York Times, the American Library Association, and Publishers Weekly, which named Meyer one of the most promising new authors of 2005. The novel introduces Bella as she moves to Washington state and first meets Edward, who instantly falls for her even though he is a vampire. Meyer’s second novel, *New Moon* (2006), in which Bella befriends a young werewolf named Jacob Black, topped the list of best-selling children’s chapter books in The New York Times within a month of its publication. In the third book, *Eclipse* (2007), Bella must choose between Edward and Jacob, hoping all the while that she does not inflame an age old conflict between vampires and werewolves. After only one day on bookstore shelves, *Eclipse* had sold 150,000 copies. In 2007 the *Twilight Saga* finally edged J.K. Rowling’s *Harry Potter* from his perennial perch atop The New York Times best-seller list for series books.

Meyer took a break from her expanding narrative to publish *The Host* (2008). With a similar focus on romantic entanglements between young adults and paranormal beings, the novel presented a world in which extraterrestrials have implanted their consciousness within human bodies, and it extended Meyer’s commercial success. She then released what was thought to be the final novel in the *Twilight Saga*, *Breaking Dawn* (2008). Its publication was commemorated by bookstores across the United States with vampire themed parties held before the title went on

sale at midnight. In 2010 Meyer published *The Short Second Life of Bree Tanner*, a novella about a “newborn” vampire that appeared in *Eclipse*. Meyer made a foray into the spy genre with *The Chemist* (2016), which centres on a female former agent who specializes in interrogations. In 2020 she returned to the *Twilight Saga* with *Midnight Sun*, which tells the events from the first book from Edward’s perspective.

Breaking Dawn begins the story with preparations for the wedding between Bella and Edward. Bella’s best friend named Jacob was the one who not attend the wedding because Jacob is still love her. Jacob disappeared until the wedding day, but at the wedding he appears to congratulate Bella. But Jacob was angry with Bella because realizing that Bella would be having her “first night” with Edward while she is still human. Jacob was forced to be removed from the wedding by Sam’s gang Uley. Then came the honeymoon period. Edward took Bella to Brazil, after that Edward realized that Bella was pregnant. The fetus in Bella’s womb grows abnormally faster. Because Edward is vampire, Edward immediately predicted that the fetus was sucking Bella’s blood from within her womb. Edward insisted on aborting the fetus, but Bella was already love the baby. The baby was born after breaking several of Bella’s ribs, then Edward force to emerge from the womb by tearing defend Bella’s stomach with Edward’s hands and teeth. When Bella was dying, Edward injected “poison” from his fangs to Bella’s heart with the aim of accelerating Bella’s transformation into vampire. Bella fainted for sometime, but Jacob thought Bella was dead. Jacob rushed into the room where Rosalie was holding the baby (Renesmee), with the intention of destroying the baby. But when Jacob meeting the baby’s eyes, Jacob feeling “sympathy”. *Breaking Dawn* novel becomes famous because it tells about vampires family who live in modern world and how they diffuse with human beings. The researcher interested in reading novel the twilight saga: *Breaking Dawn*. The story *Breaking Dawn* novel is an interesting story

because it tells about relationship “Isabella Swan and Edward Cullen” the different be alive. The researcher wants to get the moral value after reading the novel where it can be used to change the writer attitude to develop the writer knowledge and experience.

Characters in *Breaking Dawn* is interesting to analyze because there is a unique character that created by the author, about a human named Bella Swan that falling in love with a vampire named Edward Cullen. And this novel is about the darkest time of the protagonist character, Bella Swan, life and loosing the true love.

This analysis focuses on main characters in the novel *Breaking Dawn*, they are Bella Swan, Edward Cullen and Jacob Black,so this research entitled:”**AN ANALYSIS OF THE MAIN CHARACTERS IN NOVEL *BREAKING DAWN* BY STEPHENIE MEYER**”.

B.Research Question

Based on the background of the study above, this study will analyze the following questions:

1. Who are the main characters of the story *Breaking Dawn* Novel?
2. What are the characteristics of the main characters of the story *Breaking Dawn* novel?

C.Aim of The Study

Based on the research questions that stated above, the aim of this study are:

- 1.To find out the main characters of the story *Breaking Dawn* Novel
- 2.To find out the characteristics of the main characters of the story *Breaking Dawn* Novel.

D.Significant of the Study

This study is considered to have theoretical and practical significance for readers.

a. Theoretical Significance

This study will increase the knowledge about literary works, especially in analyzing the personality character. This research could be a review of analysis character and characterization in literary works.

b. Practical Significance

This research is useful for:

1. The readers

This research is expected to provide an overview of the character and characterization of the main character in *Breaking Dawn* novel.

2. The researchers

Hopefully, this study can give information to develop in the literary field. The result of this study can be used as a reference, especially in conducting the literary study. Beside that, they can improve other kinds of analysis, and it also can be used as a ruler and knowledge in literary analyzing.