

A STUDY THE POWER OF LOVE IN HAZEL GRACE'S LIFE FROM A NOVEL ENTITLED *THE FAULT IN OUR STARS*

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Abstract

*The power of love is the power that makes a person value close relationships with others to share and maintain relationships well. In this study, the author analyses the power of love in the life of Hazel Grace, a main character in the novel *The fault in our stars* written by John Michael Green. The purpose of the study is to provide a picture of love in Hazel Grace's life. The purpose of this study is to provide evidence showing the life of love in Hazel Grace's character. The method used in this research is qualitative description. The data source used in this research is the result of the expression of feelings in the form of paragraphs in the novel. The data collection process in this research is by reading and understanding the contents of the novel, categorizing the data, and organizing the data. The process of data analysis in this research is reading the data, understanding the data, interpreting the data, and making conclusion. The results of this study can provide an explanation related to the power of love experienced by Hazel Grace who gets love from parents, boyfriends, and friends. However, Hazel lost her beloved forever to cancer.*

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INTRODUCTION

According to Olawale et al (2019) A novel is a sentence that describes characters and character traits. Types of novels will be divided by genre and style. For example, picaresque, epistolary, gothic, romantic, realistic, and historical. The novel is often interpreted as fiction because the author always makes imagination an art through the words to be developed. A novel is a work that tells the world about an idealised life, an imaginative world, which contains various intrinsic elements such as events, plot, characters, setting, and point of view.

The Fault In Our The Stars (2012) is a best-selling novel by author John Michael Green. The novel tells about a couple suffering from cancer. The main character of the novel named Hazel Grace is a seventeen-year-old teenager with

thyroid cancer. Hazel meets a man named Augustus Waters who has cancer. Hazel and Augustus fell in love and had a great time together, but Augustus died.

John Michael Green was born on August 24, 1977. John is a writer of teenage fiction novels, a YouTuber vlogger, and creates educational videos from the United States. John Michael Green in 2016 won the Printz Award with the first novel written entitled *Looking for Alaska*, and the latest novel *The Fault in our stars* by entering the first position on the list of The New York Times Best Seller in January 2012. *The Faults In Our Stars* was filmed in 2014 the first position in 2014 Green was included in the Time magazine list of the 100 most influential people in the world. John Michael Green made his first video at 2007 Vlog Brothers with his younger brother, Hank Green. Created a series of 11 online documentaries with his sister teaching about literature, history, and science.

In winter, Hazel Grace, a sixteen-year-old girl who has cancer, is forced by her mother to join a support group because she wants Hazel to have friends. In the support group, there are many cancer patients. The event started, at the support group Hazel accidentally looked into the eyes of a handsome young man named Augustus Waters. After the meeting was over, Augustus ventured up to Hazel and said she looked like Natalie Portman in *V for Vendetta*. From the support group meeting, their love begins. Hazel first came to Augustus's house to watch a movie and read a novel called *The Price Of Dawn*, and Hazel recommended a novel called *An Imperial Affliction* written by Peter Van Houten.

Previous research conducted by Jamira (2017) entitled *The Positive of Facing Cancer The Fault In Our The Stars by John Green* discusses characters affected by cancer, while in Santi Husain's (2015) research entitled *Analysis of Themes in The Fault In Our The Stars Novel by John Michael Green talking about character*". Never the less, the writer has not found a research about *An Analysis The Power of Love in Hazel Grace's Life in John Michael Green's The Fault in Our Stars*. So, the research is interested to analyze about that. The reason for choosing this topic is because the researcher has an interest in analyzing more deeply the experience of the power of love by Hazel Grace Lancaster.

Love is part of the novel. Love includes the power of love. There are several types of close love, namely brotherly love, self-love, mother's love, erotic love, and God's love. The benefits of love are strengthening people's relationships, turning bad people into good ones, uniting people of different social statuses, and caring for other people. The purpose of this research is to provide evidence of the power of love in Hazel's life.

RESEARCH METHODOLOGY

This research uses a qualitative method. According to Cresswell & Cresswell (2018), qualitative descriptive methods are used to analyze and interpret data, the data collected are words and pictures rather than numbers. Qualitative research is concerned with collecting and analyzing data in various forms, especially non-number. Qualitative methods seek to obtain information, reasons, and motivations that underlie research actions and apply them to how people express their experiences. In addition, qualitative methods provide detailed results, uncover ideas, and concepts to inform research.

The data source taken by this research comes from a novel written by John Michael Green entitled *The Fault In Our Stars*. This fictional novel tells the story of Augustus, a man who lost his leg to cancer, who meets Hazel Grace in a community who also suffers from thyroid cancer. They fall in love but Augustus eventually leaves Hazel for good. The novel was published on 10 January 2012, and has a 424-page Indonesian version.

Data collection procedure the researcher conducts four step in analyzing the data. Firstly, I read the novel thoroughly and understood the storyline. In the second step, the author began to analyze the story from the novel to collect data by marking which parts could be determined as dysfunctional roles, causes, and consequences. Step three, the author collected all the data obtained, then grouped the data per character. The fourth step is to group the data that has been collected, the author puts the categorized data into written results using tables for the reader to understand (Cresswell & Cresswell 2018).

Data analysis procedure the researcher conducts four steps in data analysis procedure. The first step, organize the data from this analysis, aims to review the data more efficiently. The second step was to classify the data from all instruments based on the research variables. This was done by grouping all the categories of love in Hazel Grace's life. The third step was to select relevant data to answer the problem. After finding the love quotes, they were selected one by one and analyzed with the theory of love. The fourth or final step is to interpret the data, which aims to understand the novel sample.

RESEARCH FINDING AND DISCUSSION

The love analysis study uses data from a novel study entitled "The Fault In Our Stars" by John Michael Green with several data interpretations for analysis. In this study to analyze love, the research focuses on using Fromm's theory (2003), explaining that there are five types of love that are closely related to the power of love. There are several categories of love in research:

1. Support of Hazel's Mother in Terms of Affection and Fund

Mum brought Hazel to the support group so that Hazel could make friends. Mum was willing to provide Hazel with funds for medication and an oxygen tank. Mum fulfilled Hazel's wishes by travelling to Amsterdam. Hazel's parents were always by Hazel's side and encouraged her when she was sad.

2. Pray From Families and her Boyfriend to Hazel Grace

The support group always prays for Hazel and other cancer patients to recover. Hazel's boyfriend Augustus hopes to be with Hazel forever. Hazel was admitted to the hospital due to a relapse of her lungs, Augustus was willing to wait outside the room because only family was allowed to enter the room.

3. Hazel Self – Love

Hazel loves herself by not looking sad in front of everyone. Hazel didn't want to be like Grenade, when Hazel died many people were sad like a grenade that could explode. Hazel is confident even though she always walks with an oxygen tank. Hazel believes that heaven is an eternal life.

4. The Act of Encouraging Hazel from her Close Friends

Hazel has a classmate named Kaitlyn. Kaitlyn never left Hazel's side. Whenever there was time, Kaitlyn would take Hazel out for a walk. Although Issac is blind, he still recognises Hazel. Issac is happy with Hazel's existence, even though he is blind Issac always tells her about his life.

5. Affection And Love Unconditionally From Hazel's Boyfriends

Augustus Waters fell in love with Hazel Grace from the first moment he met her in the community. Augustus was always by Hazel's side. Augustus kisses Hazel on the cheek because Hazel has a unique personality. Augustus travelled to Amsterdam with Hazel to meet Peter Van Housting. Hazel was the only one who accompanied Augustus at the end of his life.

CONCLUSION

The research was conducted on the novel *The Fault in Our Stars* by John Michael Green. *The Fault in Our Stars* tells the story of the relationship between Hazel Grace Lancaster who suffers from thyroid cancer and Augustus Walters who had one of his legs amputated due to cancer. The focus of this research is to analyze the power of love in Hazel Grace Lancaster's life.

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