

## **PIP'S STRUGGLE OF LOVE IN CHARLES DICKENS GREAT EXPECTATION**

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### **Abstract**

*Struggle is the main key to achieve and realize hope in life. When doing the struggle must be accompanied by love in it, so that when the struggle begins life has a color that can make the spirit in doing the struggle. Everyone in the world must have high hopes like the novel by Charles Dickens entitled "Great Expectations", it's just that the form of struggle that is carried out is different in each individual and wants a beautiful ending of the struggle according to each personality. Furthermore, the researcher is interested in the topic of racial discrimination in the novel of Charles Dickens. The researcher analyzes three main forms of struggle that include, Pip's love struggle, the struggle to be a gentleman, and the struggle for a good life in the novel are.*

*The thesis uses descriptive qualitative research method. The data is taken from the quotations in the novel and related to the theory and the quotations will become the proofs of the analysis. The researcher uses theory of struggle from the Novel Great Expectations by Charles Dickens to analyze the data. The result of the research is that the great hope in Charles Dickens' novel does not end with the hope that has been fought for by Pip's, but the struggle of love for pip's life gets its own happiness value, because of a peaceful life, love for others, and living everything with Sincerity is the perfect ending of Pip's love struggle.*

**Key words :** *Struggle, Love, Gentleman, Good life*

### **INTRODUCTION**

Novel, one of the most popular literary works in the world, Novel is a long prose composition that tells the story of a person's life with the people around him by presenting the behavior of each actor. Fiction novels become two types of fiction novels and non-fiction novels. A fictional novel is a story that is not true, it is only read by the author, while a non-fiction novel is a true story, a story written based on facts not. One type of non-fiction novel is an autobiographical novel (Ratna, 2010).

Autobiographical novels are a significant literary genre. It is a type of novel in which the author or narrator records or tells his own life experiences by adding

fictional elements. In this novel the characters, themes and events are taken from the real life of the author. One of them is the novel "Great Expectations" by Charles Dickens, a literary work that describes life experiences for the struggle of love. Great Expectations, published in serial form between December 1860 and August 1861 and as a novel in October 1861, is widely regarded as Dickens's greatest literary achievement. The story narrated by Charles Dickens second in first person, focuses on the journey of life struggle for the novel's protagonist, an orphan named Pip, with extreme imagery and colorful characters, the novel's well-received theme includes the struggle for wealth and poverty, love and rejection, and good versus evil.

In facing life, struggles can be seen in society. Struggle means several attempts to achieve something. There are many variations of the struggles that will be found in the novel - Great Expectations, the struggle for a better life, the struggle to be a gentleman and fight for love. There are many ways to make this struggle a reality and do everything to get what you want. Even though the struggle to get or achieve something is difficult, at least better conditions and a strong determination can definitely be achieved. Life is a struggle, that's how the British say that life is a struggle.

This means that in life there must be efforts from us to be able to move forward. The struggle in one's life is very necessary in the life of humans who live in this real world. So it can be said that someone has to strive or strive to achieve the desires or ideals to be achieved both in the material and immaterial fields. When someone does not have the enthusiasm to progress, then it is certain that that person will be a loser for the rest of his life. For that, whoever we are, if we want to be successful there must be a struggle in life. Therefore, the author wants to examine more deeply the form of love struggles in Pip's life.

From the description above, the authors chose this topic as their thesis. Stories about life, love, insightful and courageous about the love struggles of a prominent man. Finally, all the explanations that the author cites are grounds for conducting an analysis entitled "Pip's Love Struggle in Charles Dickens' Great Expectations." The research problems is: How is the depiction of the struggle of love in Pip's life?

## **RESEARCH METHODOLOGY**

In writing this thesis the writer uses qualitative and descriptive research methods in accordance with the objectives of this study. Qualitative research can take the form of descriptive. Data were collected in the form of words as descriptive explanations rather than numbers. The research results contain quotations from data that describe and substantive presentation. Descriptive research is research that aims to describe a phenomenon accurately based on the characteristics of the study. In this study, the authors used qualitative research, where the data were analyzed through interpretation, not statistical analysis.

The data source where data is collected is in the form of factual information. This research uses the novel E-book by Charles John Huffam Dickens entitled "Great Expectations" published in (1861) as the 7th novel. The data are in the form of direct and indirect descriptions played by the main character of pip's which presents the struggle of love in pip's life which is far from perfect. In this novel the data is used to carry out this research.

Data were collected from the novel Great Expectations, by finding intrinsic elements in the novel such as characters, place settings, interactions that occur, character actions, expressions and dialogues. Then the authors transcribe the data into notes and other references related to this research. The focus of this research is on Pip's form of love struggle. The author also looks for supporting data about literary theory, such as the theory of the struggle for love to find extrinsic elements from each book reference that can be useful for discussing the novel that the author is researching.

Data analysis in analyzing data, the authors analyzed all existing data that was collected first. The author uses the intrinsic approach method, namely by analyzing every element in the novel, and extrinsically by connecting the social conditions and phenomena of life at that time with the novel "Great Expectations", after the data is collected the writer will interpret the suitability of the data with the research made. Judging from the theoretical basis in Chapter II, the writer will connect the suitability of the data with the research objectives made, after which the author will evaluate the data and draw conclusions.

## FINDING AND DISCUSSION

### Pip's Family Background

In this analysis, the author identifies the origin of the underlying causes of Pip's to become a better person than his previous life. At the time, Philip was a seven-year-old orphan raised by his uncaring younger sister, Mrs. Joe, who beat him often, and his husband Joe Gargery, a blacksmith and Pip's best friend. He lives in the marshlands of Kent, England, twenty miles from the sea. Pip did not remember any of his parents, he was more than twenty years younger than his sister. Five brothers died in infancy among them: Alexander, Bartholomew, Abraham, Tobias, and Roger.

In the background of Pip's life, the author finds the fact that from all the behavior and speech that Pip's received when he was a child, it was very sad if it was experienced by a small child who was only 7 years old.

What's the matter now? I said she, smartly, as she put down her cup. I say, you know! I muttered Joe, shaking his head at me in very serious remonstrance. —Pip, old chap! You'll do yourself a mischief. It'll stick somewhere. You can't have chawed it, Pip. I What's the matter now? I repeated my sister, more sharply than before. If you can cough any trifle on it up, Pip, I'd recommend you to do it, I said Joe, all aghast. Manners is manners, but still you're the elth. I By this time, my sister was quite desperate, so she pounced on Joe, and, taking him by the two whiskers, knocked his head for a little while against the wall behind him: while I sat in the corner, looking guiltily on. Now, perhaps you'll mention what's the matter, I said my sister, out of breath, you staring great stuck pig. I Joe looked at her in a helpless way; then took a helpless bite, and looked at me again. You know, Pip, I said Joe, solemnly, with his last bite in his cheek and speaking in a confidential voice, as if we two were quite alone, you and me is always friends, and I'd be the last to tell upon you, any time. But such a he moved his chair (Chap 2 P 15)

From the quote above, it is clear that Pip's grew up with a background in life that made him unable to grow and develop properly, because both his parents had died and there were no siblings to take care of him, finally Pip's lived with the younger sister of Pip's late father – Mrs. Joe who was always rude and had no affection for Pip's.

### Pip's Love Struggle

At this point, the writer finds that Pip's first fell in love with upper class girls,

but there are differences in social levels in their lives, even though Pip's did not back down to approach the girl. Pip's an innocent boy who doesn't mind his low ranking in society. At around the age of eight, he met a beautiful but proud girl named Estella who was from the upper class. Miss Havisham was looking for a playmate for her adopted daughter Estella, and Joe's uncle, Mr. Pumblechook, recommended Pip to her, who would visit her many times.

This, I said Mr. Pumblechook, is Pip. I  
 This is Pip, is it? I returned the young lady, who was very  
 pretty and seemed very proud; come in, Pip. I Mr. Pumblechook was coming in also,  
 when she stopped  
 him with the gate.  
 Oh! she said. Did you wish to see Miss Havisham?  
 If Miss Havisham wished to see me, I returned Mr. Pumblechook, discomfited.  
 Ah! she said the girl; but you see she don't. (Chap 8 P 76)  
 She said it so finally, and in such an undiscussible way,  
 that Mr. Pumblechook, though in a condition of ruffled dignity,  
 could not protest. But he eyed me severely as if I had done  
 anything to him! and departed with the words reproachfully  
 delivered: Boy! Let your behaviour here be a credit unto  
 them which brought you up by hand! I was not free from  
 apprehension that he would come back to pound through  
 the gate, And sixteen? But he didn't. (77 bab 8)

The author found findings that showed Miss Havisham was attracted to Pip's because she was not afraid, polite, and humbled by older people. Although Pip's is not from a family of the same level as Miss Havisham, but Pip's is able to win her heart, by being respectful like someone close to Pip's. The author found findings that showed Miss Havisham was attracted to Pip's because she was not afraid, polite, and humbled by older people.

Estella was raised by Miss Havisham who had taught Estella parenting to live without thinking about love and men, due to Miss Havisham's past being left by a man at the time of her engagement. She grew up to be an arrogant person, with a heart who is cold and doesn't care about anyone's feelings.

Your own, one  
 day, my dear, and you will use it well. Let me see you play  
 cards with this boy. I  
 With this boy? Why, he is a common labouring-boy! I thought I overheard Miss Havisham  
 answer only it  
 seemed so unlikely "Well? You can break his heart. I (Chap 8 P 83)

From the findings above, Estella's arrogant attitude is very clear towards Pip's. But there is a different feeling inside Pip's, it's not clear yet what Pip's feels whether it's falling in love at first sight or because Estella is a beautiful and graceful little girl that is able to bind Pip's heart and eyes. This can be seen in the findings below, when Pip's was asked by Miss Havisham about Estella.

The writer knows that Pip's love struggle does not just stop until he admires Estella, after a long time of friends until they finally grow into teenagers and Pip falls in love with her and becomes very embarrassed by his simple background and his abusive relatives. Eventually the struggle grew within Pip's to be able to get Estella's love, so there was a change in Pip's determined to change his simple life and become a man of honor so that he deserves to be next to Estella.

## **CONCLUSION**

From the findings and discussion, the writer would like to conclude that there is a struggle process carried out by Pip's, there is the involvement of other people and experiences in shaping changes in Pip's life, all environmental struggles, feelings and attitudes that occur, as well as third parties, which are as follows:

1. Pip's family background

As an orphan and living with foster parents Mr. Joe and Mrs. Joe, Pip's lives in a bad environment and atmosphere that causes Pip's to not develop properly. The love that Pip's should have received like biological parents was never found when Pip's was a child. With a strong determination Pip's wants to change his life to be able to develop like people in general, so Pip's begins to learn to grow up with a person who

2. Pip's love struggle

Life without love is empty, Pip's begins to grow up and looks for love for life and himself. All the struggles that were done were not in vain, even though the end of Pip's love struggle did not produce the results as expected, but Pip's was very grateful that he was able to go through the struggle until finally Pip's understood the real struggle of love.

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