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- my honorable lecturers
- all of the English Department students

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"When life puts you in a tough situation, don't say "Why me," say, "Try me."

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This research discusses the novel *David Copperfield* written by Charles Dickens. It aims to explain (1) social and psychological sufferings experienced by David Copperfield in *David Copperfield* and (2) the effects of social and psychological sufferings towards David Copperfield. The theories used in this study are the theories of character, characterization, sufferings and setting. Moreover, the approaches applied are psychological approach, sociological approach, and historical biographical approach. To collect the data, a library research is used. David Copperfield suffers physically and mentally. In his sufferings David Copperfield was able to emerge from all the agony of his life and experienced a better life.

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Penelitian ini membahas sebuah novel berjudul *David Copperfield* karya Charles Dickens. Tujuan penelitian ini adalah menjelaskan: (1) penderitaan sosial dan psikologis yang dialami oleh David Copperfield dalam novel *David Copperfield* dan (2) pengaruh penderitaan sosial dan psikologis terhadap David Copperfield. Teori yang dipakai dalam penelitian ini mencakup teori tokoh, teori penokohan, teori sufferings dan teori setting. Selain itu pendekatan yang diterapkan antara lain pendekatan psikologi, pendekatan sosial dan pendekatan sejarah. Penelitian kepustakaan diterapkan dalam teknik pengumpulan data. David Copperfield mengalami penderitaan secara fisik dan dan mental. Dalam penderitaannya David Copperfield mampu bangkit dari semua penderitaan yang dialaminya, hidupnya menjadi lebih baik.

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