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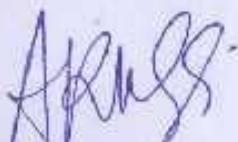
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ABSTRACT

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This research discusses social maturation in Mark Twain's *The Adventures of Tom Sawyer*. It aims to: (1) explain social maturations of Tom Sawyer in *The Adventures of Tom Sawyer* and (2) explain the effects of social maturation towards Tom Sawyer. This research focuses on the novel *The Adventures of Tom Sawyer* as the main source of data. This research also uses articles and online sources as the references. This research applies four theories: character, characterization, psychological development, and maturation. In addition, this research makes use of psychological and social approach. Library research is applied for data collection technique.

The analysis focuses on social maturation of the main character, Tom Sawyer. Tom Sawyer is a naughty child, tricky, and troublemaker. Tom Sawyer is called as round character boy. Mark Twain, in his novel *The Adventures of Tom Sawyer*, describes the process of being mature. A mischievous boy learns to be the mature person. Tom's maturation is achieved through his adventures and his problems. By facing the problems, Tom has shown his good attitude. It makes everybody proud of him.

ABSTRAK

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Penelitian ini membahas kematangan sosial dari tokoh utama yaitu Tom Sawyer dalam novel *The Adventures of Tom Sawyer* karya Mark Twain. Tujuan penelitian ini adalah: (1) menjelaskan kematangan sosial dari Tom Sawyer dalam novel *The Adventures of Tom Sawyer* dan (2) menjelaskan pengaruh kematangan sosial terhadap Tom Sawyer. Penelitian ini berdasarkan novel *The Adventures of Tom Sawyer* sebagai sumber data utama. Penelitian ini menggunakan artikel-artikel dan sumber-sumber dari internet sebagai referensi. Penelitian ini menerapkan empat teori yaitu teori tokoh, teori penokohan, teori perkembangan psikologis dan teori kedewasaan. Dalam kajian pendekatan ini, peneliti menerapkan pendekatan psikologis dan pendekatan sosial. Data kepustakaan juga diterapkan dalam teknik pengumpulan data.

Analisis penelitian berfokus pada kematangan sosial tokoh utama yaitu Tom Sawyer. Tom Sawyer adalah tipe seorang anak yang nakal, cerdik, dan suka mencari masalah. Tom Sawyer termasuk dalam kategori multi karakter. Dalam novelnya *The Adventures of Tom Sawyer*, Twain berusaha menggambarkan bagaimana seorang anak yang nakal bisa berproses menjadi seorang anak yang lebih dewasa serta menjadi kebanggaan semua orang. Melalui petualangannya serta semua masalah yang dihadapinya, Tom Sawyer mulai menunjukkan sisi baiknya.

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