

CHAPTER V

CONCLUSION

Literature is interesting to learn. Literature can be classified into three parts: prose, poetry, and drama. Prose itself is divided into two, short story and novel. Novel is interesting to be analyzed. The primary data of the research is taken from the novel entitled *The Adventures of Tom Sawyer*. The novel is written by Mark Twain. He is well-known as the American author and humorist. Social maturation is taken as the topic of the research.

This research has two objectives, namely to find out the social maturation of Tom Sawyer in *The Adventures of Tom Sawyer* and to find out the effects of social maturation toward Tom Sawyer. Some theories are applied in analyzing the research. The theories are character, characterization, psychological development, and maturation. Theory of maturation consists of self control, wisdom, and responsibility. This research also applies two approaches, that is, psychological and sociological approaches. Library research is used to conduct the research.

There are two problems discussed in this research. First is social maturations of Tom Sawyer in *The Adventures of Tom Sawyer*. The first problem is differentiated into self control, wisdom, and responsibility. Self control tells about the major character, Tom, who controls himself to keep the secret from others. The process of Tom's being wise is described in the part of wisdom. Tom learns how to be a wise person when he faces his problems. While in

responsibility, it describes how Tom takes care of his duties and helps others as a responsible man.

Second problem is the effects of social maturation towards Tom Sawyer. There are two effects of social maturation that have been analyzed. The effects are the negative and the positive ones. Negative effects include being fearful and being insecure, while positive effects include being a hero and caring. As a mature boy, Tom gets the effect of social maturation, negative and positive. He is threatened by his enemy when Tom has done the right decision. It makes him feel fearful while he is doing the good thing. Besides, Tom feels glad for everything he has done. His bravery and his caring make all people in St. Petersburg proud of him. Tom is admired by all the people in the town.

This research reveals some moral messages for the readers. Reading this research, the readers may get some moral values which may make them live more happily. The readers will be wiser in their action, so that they are welcome to the society. Moreover, the readers will be responsible for everything they have done. Therefore, the readers will not hurt others. Besides, they will try to control themselves in order to get along with others without any conflict. All of these values will contribute for the readers' consciousness to be mature psychologically.

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