

CHAPTER V

CONCLUSION

The research aimed to discuss American dream in Lorraine Hansberry's *A Raisin in the Sun*. There are two objectives of this study. The first is to analyze the influences of American dreams toward Walter Lee Younger's ambition. The second is to identify the effects of American dreams toward Walter Lee Younger's ambition. This research uses descriptive method as it shows the influences and effects of American dream toward Walter Lee Younger's ambition in the form of dialogues and narratives. Further, the technique of data collecting is library research as all of the data are written or documented. There are two theories applied. They are American dream and ambition. The psychological and social approaches are also used in the research.

Walter is the main character in *A Raisin in the Sun*. In his thirties, Walter does not have a good job. He works as chauffeur for white people. He always deals with the oppression from society because he comes as African-American person who is called as black people in America. He wants to change his life. He efforts to have his own business so that he can become rich. He wants to fulfil his ambition by starting his own business in liquor store. When he gets his own business, Walter believes that he will be equal as white people. He wants achieve his dream to have much money so that he can get the opportunity to have a better life.

As the result of his dream, Walter changes himself to do anything for achieving it. He unconsciously becomes irreligious man. He does not think that God is important in his life. There is something that makes Walter think that it is more useful in his life and it is money. Because of his ambition to reach his dream, Walter also turns to be defiant and greedy person.

In summary, American dream is an idea to a belief that American believes that they are able to pursuing their dreams. Walter Lee Younger as an African-American wants to be equal as white people in society. He knows that becoming black people leads to be difficult in reaching his ideal life. However, Walter proves to his family that he is able to be a man in family at the end of the story. He realizes that buying the house is more important for family's welfare than getting rich quickly. Walter finally becomes a man as he stand for his family's happiness.

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