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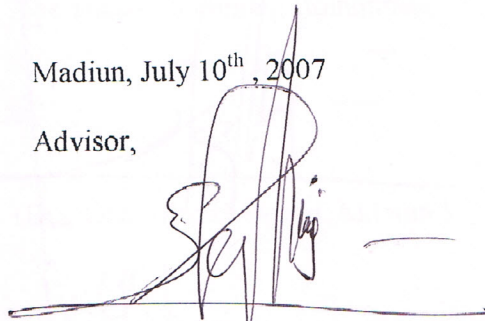
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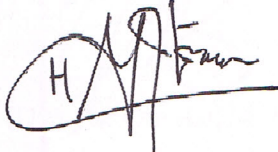
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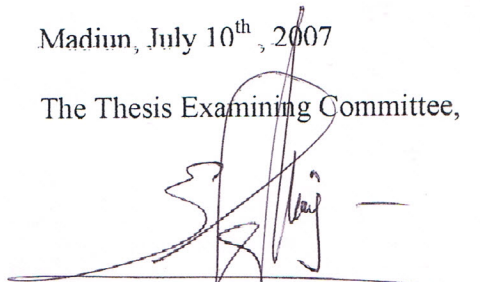
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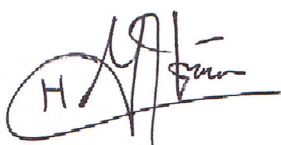
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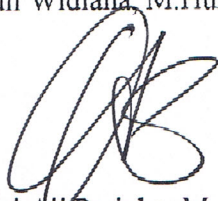
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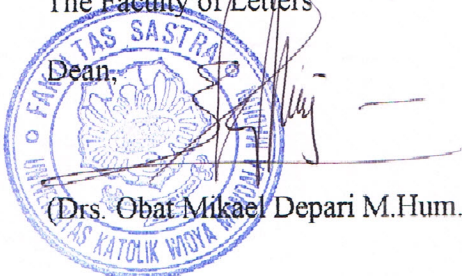


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Love means giving one's self to another person fully, not just physically. When two people really love each other, this helps them to stay alive and grow. One must really be loved to grow (Nancy Reagan).

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ABSTRACT

This research discusses taboo terms in Candace Bushnell's *Sex and the City*. The researcher finds three problems to discuss in this research, namely: the kinds of taboo terms, the purposes of using taboo terms, and the users of taboo terms.

The novel of Candace Bushnell entitled *Sex and the City* is the source of data of this research. There are many taboo terms found in the novel. Thus, this novel is an source of data.

The researcher uses descriptive method to analyze the data because the method is considered the most appropriate one to conduct this research. The researcher collects the data, classifies, and analyzes them. Finally, the researcher withdraws the conclusion as the result of the analysis.

The result of the analysis is as follows: 60 data containing taboo terms which belong to mother-in-law term 9 data, sex term 20 data, death term 5 data, excretion term 11 data, and bodily function term 15 data. Moreover, the using of taboo terms have various kinds of purposes. Consequently, 28 data represent categories of speech acts, namely: representatives 13 data, directives 1 data, commissives 1 data, and expressives 13 data.

Concerning with the users of taboo terms, it results 29 data comprising 16 data of taboo terms used by characters in entertainment field, 6 data of taboo terms used by characters in media field, and 17 data of taboo terms used by characters in business field.

ABSTRAK

Penelitian ini membahas tentang istilah-istilah tabu di dalam novel Sex and the City karangan Candace Bushnell. Peneliti menemukan tiga permasalahan yang akan dibahas dalam penelitian ini, yaitu: jenis-jenis istilah tabu, tujuan penggunaannya, dan penggunaannya dari istilah-istilah tabu tersebut.

Novel Sex and the City adalah sumber data untuk penelitian ini. Ada banyak istilah tabu yang terdapat dalam novel ini sehingga sangat sesuai untuk dijadikan data analisa.

Peneliti menggunakan metode deskriptif untuk menganalisa data karena metode ini sangat tepat digunakan dalam penelitian. Peneliti mengumpulkan data, mengklasifikasi, dan menganalisanya. Akhirnya, peneliti menarik simpulan dari hasil analisa.

Hasil dari analisa ini menunjukkan bahwa 60 data yang mengandung istilah tabu. Istilah ini termasuk dalam istilah ibu mertua 9 data, istilah kelamin 20 data, istilah kematian 5 data, istilah kotoran manusia 11, dan istilah fungsi alat tubuh 15 data. Lebih jauh lagi, penggunaan istilah tabu itu sendiri juga mempunyai beberapa tujuan pengucapan sehingga, ada 28 data yang dimasukkan ke dalam kategori-kategori tindak ujar. Kategori-kategori ini adalah representative 13 data, direktif 1 data, komisif 1 data, dan ekspresif 13 data.

Berkaitan dengan pengguna istilah tabu, penelitian ini menghasilkan 29 data yang terdiri dari 16 istilah tabu digunakan karakter di bidang hiburan, 6 istilah tabu digunakan karakter di bidang jurnalistik, dan 17 istilah tabu digunakan karakter di bidang usahawan.

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