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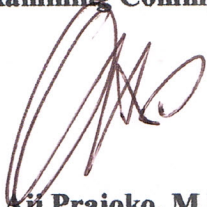


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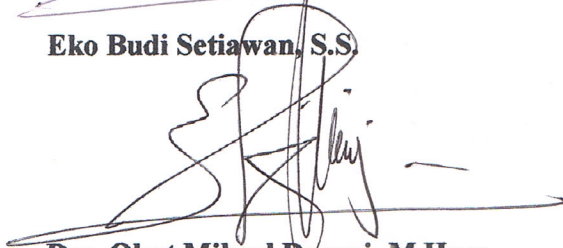
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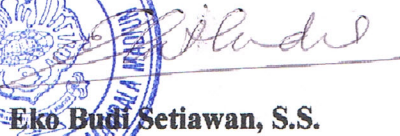


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ABSTRACT

*The problem of this study entitled An Analysis of Miss Ley's Principles in William Somerset Maugham's **Merry Go Round** is what Miss Ley's principles are. In accordance with the problem, the objective of this study is to describe Miss Ley's principles.*

Furthermore, in collecting the data, library research and Internet browsing are used to form the conceptual data about principles in life then use it to find the relevant data in this novel. Beside that, philosophical approach is used to analyze the data descriptively.

In Miss Ley's life, she has two points of view that become her principles. Firstly, she has a perception that marriage is a terrible thing. It is taken from her observation towards her friend's problems in marriage that have got problems because of adultery and the absence of love in marriage. Secondly, Miss Ley wants to help her friends for solving problems in their marriage although she is just as a spinster. Therefore, she can get a lot of experiences that support her perception about marriage.

ABSTRAK

Masalah yang akan di bahas dalam thesis berjudul Analisis tentang Prinsip-prinsip Miss Ley dalam novel karya William Somerset Maugham yang berjudul **Merry Go Round** adalah tentang apakah prinsip-prinsip Miss Ley. Sehubungan dengan masalah tersebut, tujuan yang ingin dicapai adalah untuk membahas prinsip-prinsip Miss Ley.

Selanjutnya, dalam mengkoleksi data, penulis menggunakan metode kepustakaan dan akses Internet untuk mencari data konsep dan kemudian menggunakannya untuk mencari data yang relevan dalam novel. Di samping itu, pendekatan pilosopi juga digunakan untuk menganalisis data secara deskriptif.

Dalam menjalani hidupnya, Miss Ley memiliki dua pandangan hidup yang menjadi prinsip hidupnya. Yang pertama, Miss Ley memiliki anggapan bahwa pernikahan itu merupakan sesuatu yang membosankan. Anggapan itu di dapat dari pengamatan yang dilakukan Miss Ley terhadap teman-temannya yang memiliki masalah dalam pernikahannya, seperti perselingkuhan dan ketidakhadiran cinta dalam pernikahan. Yang kedua, Miss Ley selalu ingin membantu teman-temannya dalam mengatasi masalah-masalah dalam pernikahan mereka walaupun dia hanyalah seorang perawan tua yang belum pernah menikah. Oleh karena itu, Miss Ley mendapatkan banyak sekali pengalaman yang menguatkan pandangannya tentang pernikahan.

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