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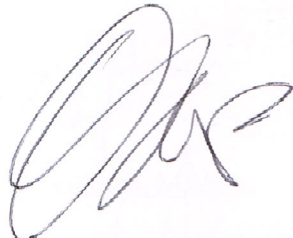
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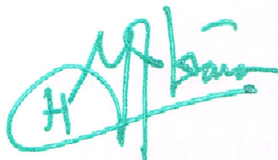
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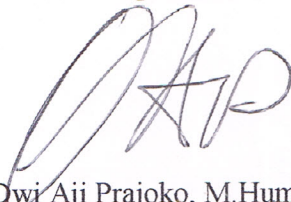
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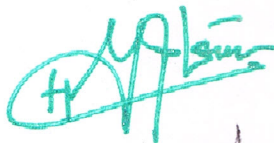
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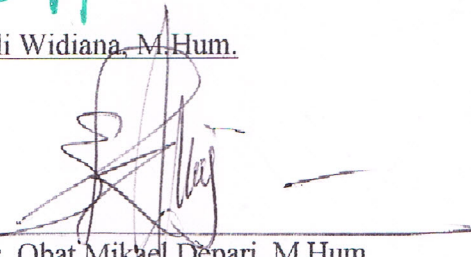
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ABSTRAK

Penelitian ini bertujuan untuk mendeskripsikan stres yang dialami karakter utama, mendeskripsikan kondisi yang mengakibatkan stres, dan mendeskripsikan pengaruh stres terhadap karakter utama. Penelitian pustaka diterapkan untuk menemukan teori tentang analisis, drama, karakter, karakter utama, psikologi, konflik psikologis, pendekatan psikologis, dan stres. Teori tersebut digunakan untuk menganalisis data. Data dianalisis secara deskriptif. Artinya, konsep tentang stress diterapkan secara lebih rinci terhadap stress yang dialami karakter utama drama karya Arthur Miller berjudul *Death of Salesman*.

Stres yang dialami Willy Loman, sebagai karakter utama, adalah stres psikologis dan stres sosial. Stres psikologis disebabkan depresi mendalam yang dialaminya sehingga dia berubah menjadi pribadi yang aneh. Sementara stres sosial disebabkan adanya perubahan sikap terhadap teman-temannya. Kondisi yang menyebabkan karakter utama mengalami stres adalah frustrasi, konflik dan tekanan. Stres berpengaruh buruk terhadap karakter utama. Willy Loman adalah satu-satunya karakter yang mengalami pengaruh dan akibat buruk karena stres.

Willy Loman adalah seorang yang berhasil di masa mudanya namun berubah menjadi orang yang tidak berhasil di masa tuanya. Kondisi ini menyebabkan stress dan mempengaruhi hubungannya dengan orang-orang yang ada disekitarnya, teman-temannya, dan dengan keluarga yang sangat dicintainya. Kondisi stress yang berkelanjutan ini pada akhirnya membuat Willy Loman bunuh diri.

ABSTRACT

The purposes of this research are to describe the stress undergone by the main characters, the condition making the main characters get stress, and the influences of the stress on the main characters. Library method is done to find the underlying theories, namely the definitions of analysis, drama, character, main character, psychology, psychological conflict, psychological approach, and stress. The data are analyzed descriptively. This means the general concepts of stress is applied to the more specific details namely the main character's stress, in Arthur Miller's *Death of Salesman*.

The stress undergone by Willy Loman, as the main character, is psychological and social stress. Psychological stress is caused by Willy's deep depression so that he turns to be unusual person. While, social stress occurs because of his changing attitude to his friends. The condition making the main characters get stress is frustration, conflict and pressure. The influence of the stress on the main character is a bad influence or bad effects upon the character. There is only one character in the story who suffers the bad effects, that is Willy Loman.

Willy Loman is successful person in his young but turns to be unsuccessful one. This condition makes him stressed so that it influences his relationship to the other people around him: his friends and his loving family. Finally, this stress condition leads him suicide.