CHAPTER III
RESEARCH METHODOLOGY

3.1. Type of research

In this study, I use the qualitative method to collect the data. According to Monique Hennink, Inge Hutter, and Ajay Bailey in “Qualitative Research Methods” (2011, p. 8-9), it is difficult to define about the qualitative method because qualitative methods contains a wide range of techniques and philosophies, but the qualitative method is a method that consists of a deep investigation. Researchers using the qualitative method are allowed to examine the experience that people have in their lives. This method gives to the researchers the descriptions of complex textual about how ones have experience about particular issue. Shortly, it gives information about the human’s side of an issue. The information about human issues includes people’s behaviors, beliefs, opinions, emotions, and relationships. Other factors like social norms, socioeconomic status, gender roles, ethnicity, and religion are also analysed with qualitative research. In this research, the qualitative method is applied by studying and describing what is found through analyzing two popular poems of Edgar Allan Poe, Lenore and The Raven.

3.2. Data collection

The poems of Edgar Allan Poe, Lenore and The Raven, are the primary data of this research. The poems are taken from Collected Works of Poe, Volume V by Edgar Allan Poe edited by Philip M. Parker (2005). In this
book, one can find *The Raven* located in the page 143-147 and *Lenore* located in page 193-194.

### 3.3. Research Procedure

Some steps are taken to collect the data. The first step to take is reading the two poems written by Edgar Allan Poe, *Lenore* and *The Raven*. Second, I categorize which words fall into the characteristics of Romanticism era as theorized by Stobaugh. In studying the words, I highlight and make notes of some important information related to the Romanticism Era that I may find in the poems. Third, I try to figure out the words and phrases which not only contain Romanticism Era characteristics but also dark romanticism’s characteristics. In the last step, I make some analysis from *Lenore* and *The Raven* by using biographical approach. The biography that I use is the biography of Poe.

### 3.4. Data Analysis

After obtaining the data, I analyze the data descriptively. The data analysis contains data’s descriptions and interpretations. The words and phrases are categorized based on Stobaugh’s characteristics of Romanticism Era.