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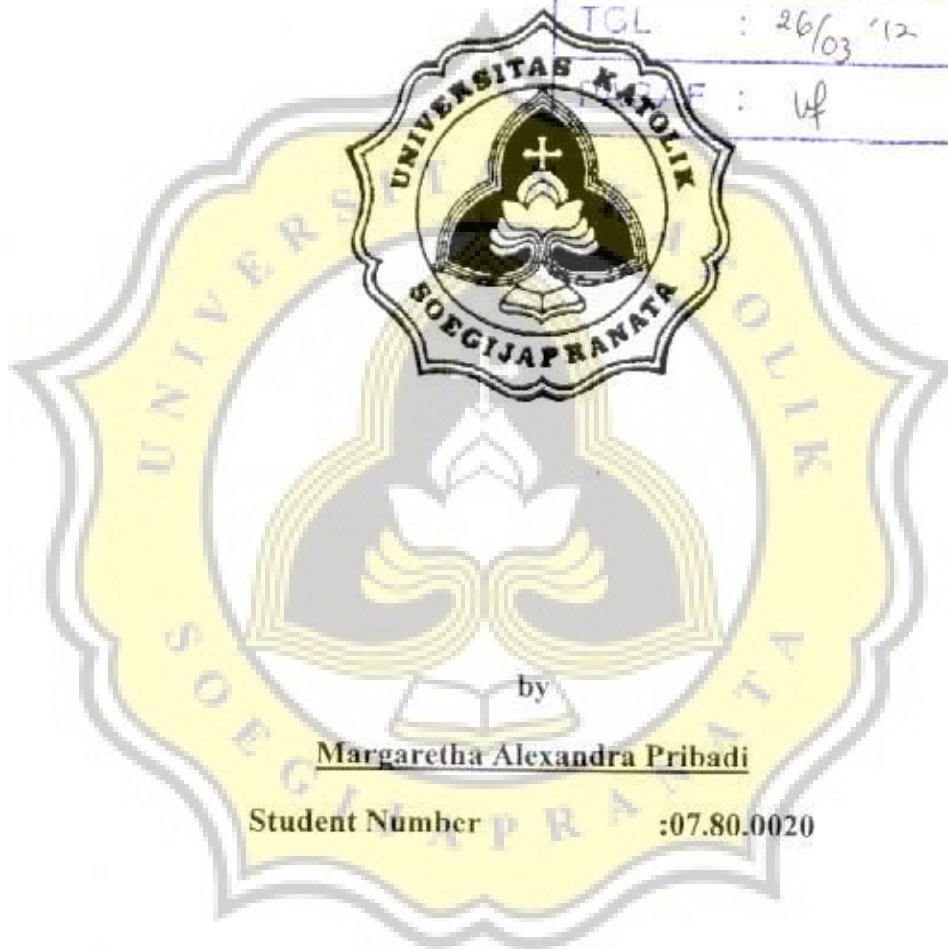


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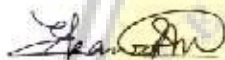
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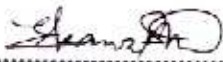
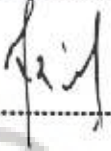

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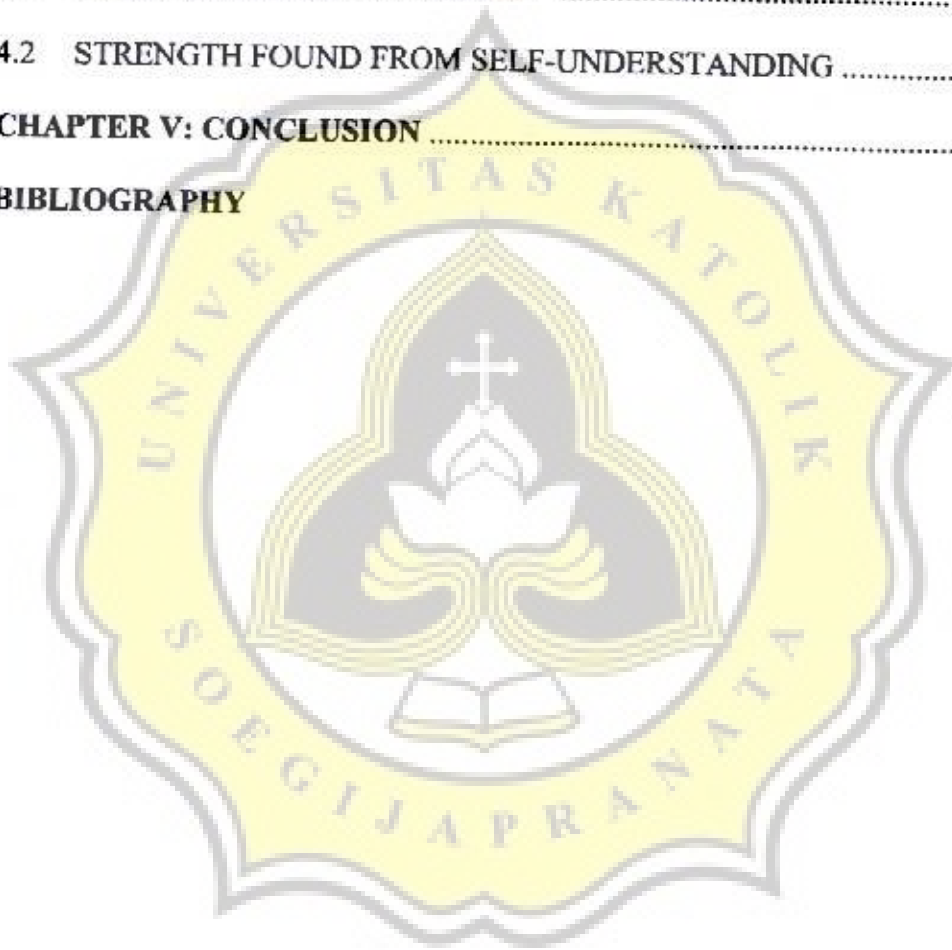
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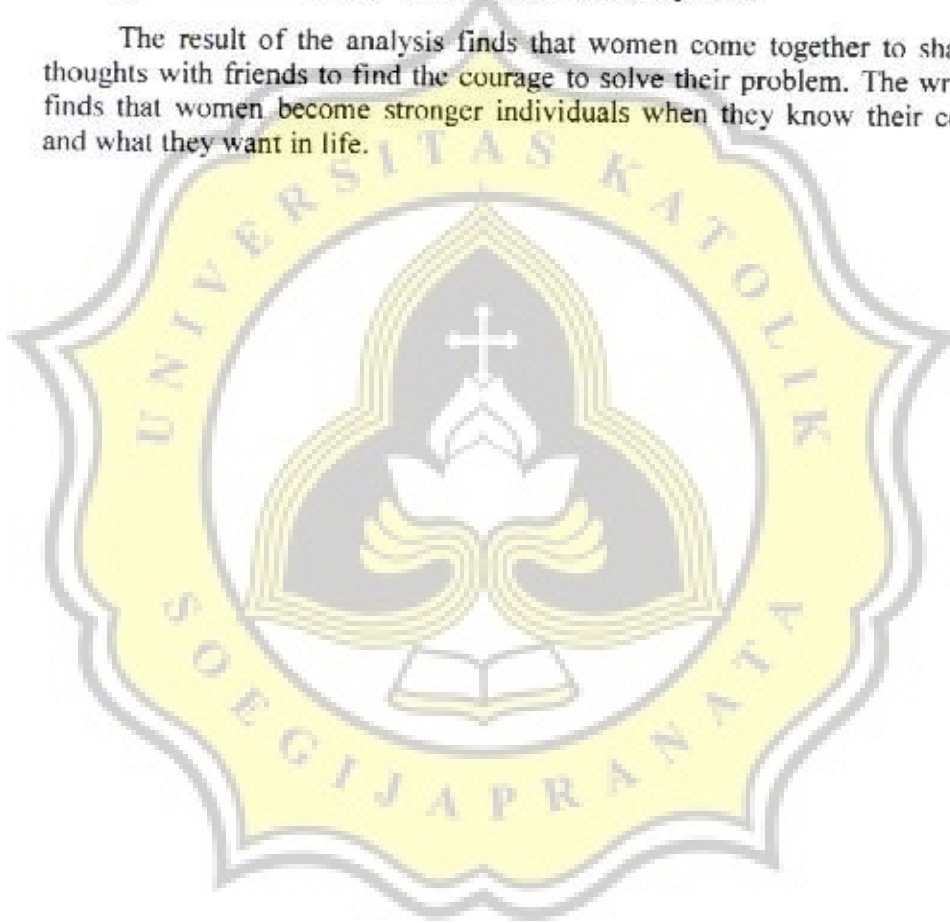


ABSTRACT

This thesis discusses about characters with different problems who find encouragement through a fellowship. Having girlfriends may bring many advantages for women. They can relate and be comfortable with each other. This makes them talk about anything in a group. This study talks about friendship bond and the power inside them through pain, rejection, ambition, and lost.

The writer analyzed the friendship bond and the courage of these women with Feminism approach. For example is how the characters in the novel get up and fight to reach what they want through friendship bond.

The result of the analysis finds that women come together to share their thoughts with friends to find the courage to solve their problem. The writer also finds that women become stronger individuals when they know their condition and what they want in life.



ABSTRAK

Skripsi ini membahas tentang karakter-karakter dengan masalah yang berbeda-beda yang menemukan dorongan melalui ikatan persahabatan. Memiliki teman-teman perempuan dapat memberi banyak keuntungan untuk wanita. Mereka dapat berhubungan dan nyaman satu dengan lain. Inilah yang membuat mereka dapat membicarakan apa saja di dalam kelompok. Skripsi ini berbicara tentang ikatan persahabatan dan kekuatan dari dalam diri mereka dalam menjalani penderitaan, penolakan, ambisi, serta kehilangan.

Penulis menganalisa ikatan persahabatan dan keberanian perempuan-perempuan ini dengan menggunakan teori Feminism. Contohnya bagaimana karakter di dalam novel ini bangkit dan berjuang untuk meraih apa yang mereka inginkan melalui ikatan persahabatan.

Hasil dari analisa menunjukkan bahwa perempuan berkumpul bersama untuk saling berbagi dengan teman mereka untuk menemukan keberanian dalam memutuskan masalah yang mereka hadapi. Penulis juga menemukan bahwa perempuan menjadi pribadi yang lebih kuat saat mereka memahami keadaan dan apa yang mereka inginkan dalam hidup mereka.

