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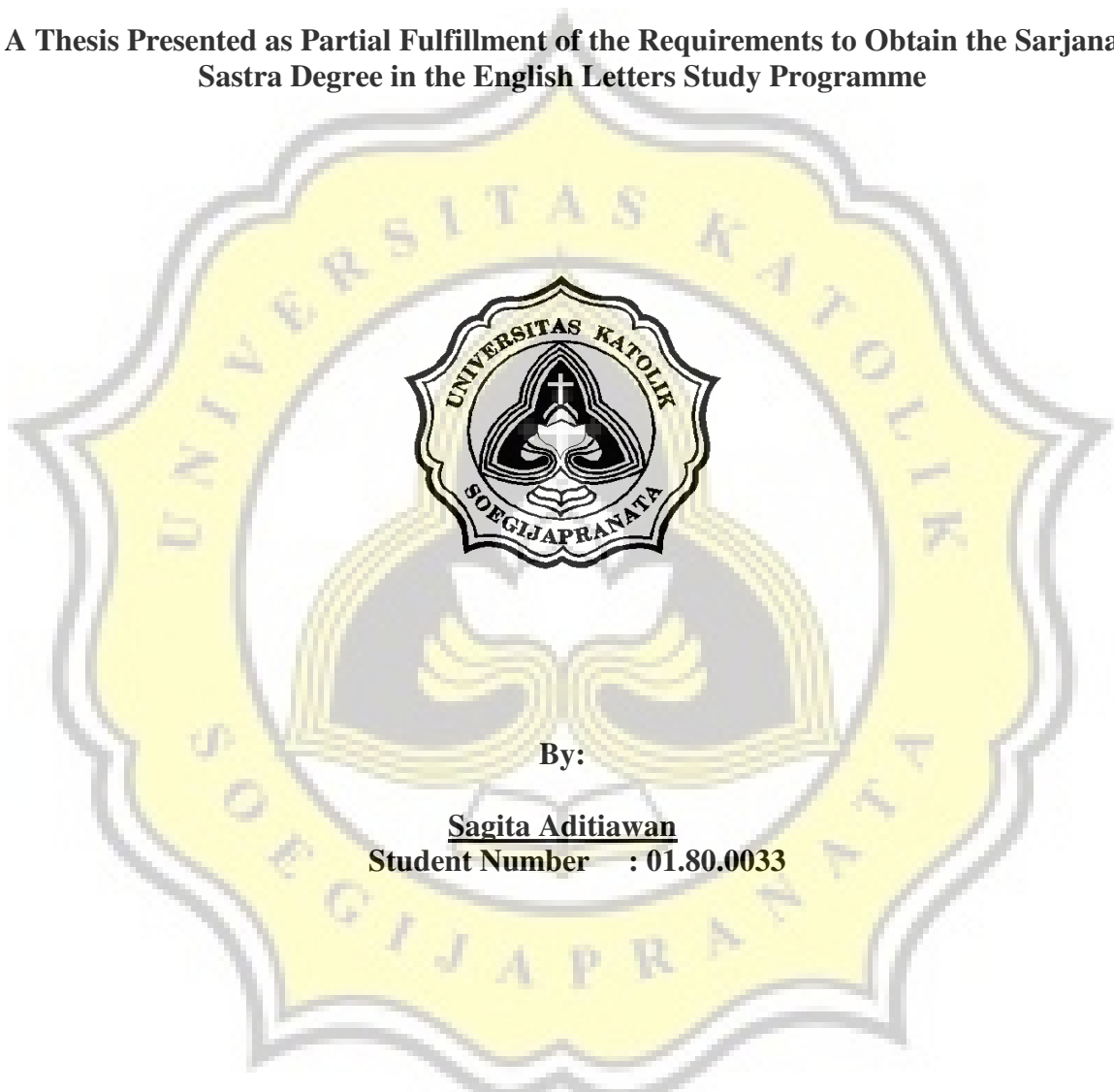
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raw when new, ripened with age,
the true old man's milk and restorative cordial"
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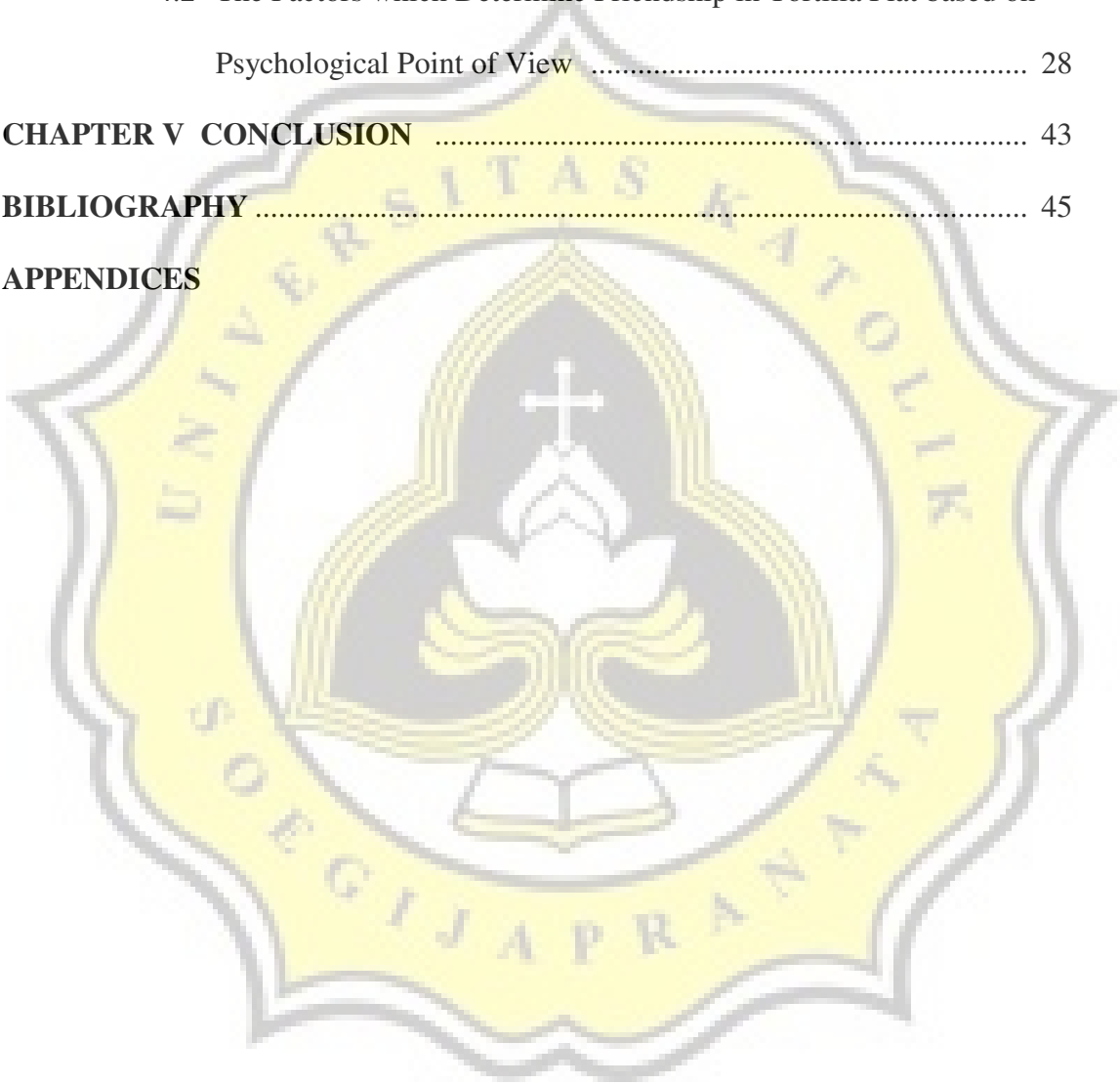
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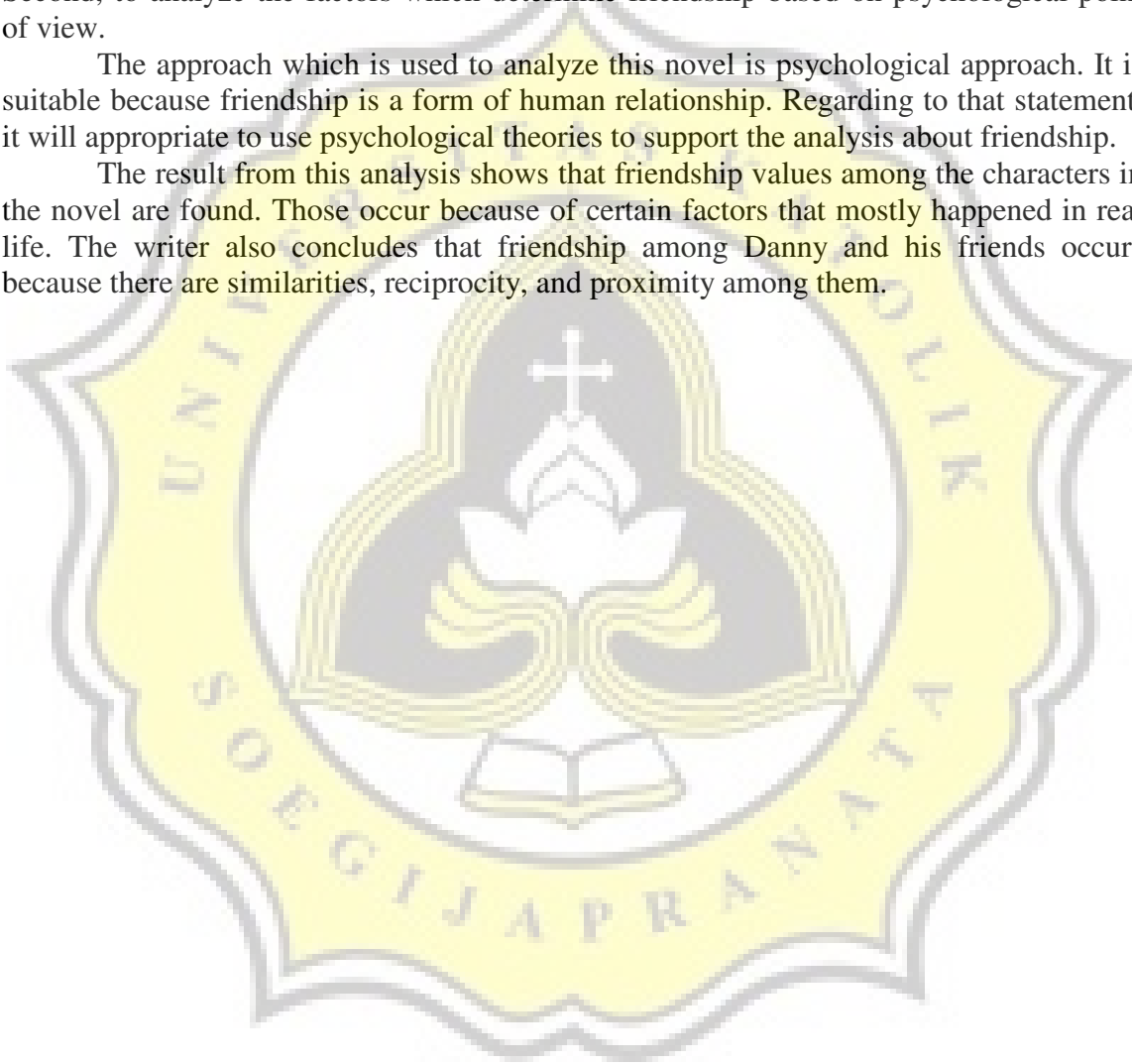
ABSTRACT

Tortilla Flat is one of John Steinbeck's novel and it becomes his first successful novel. It was first published in 1935. The novel captures the life of Paisanos who lived in a coastal area of California.

This thesis entitled "The Psychological study of Friendship in John Steinbeck's Tortilla Flat" has two objectives. First, to describe friendship which found in the novel. Second, to analyze the factors which determine friendship based on psychological point of view.

The approach which is used to analyze this novel is psychological approach. It is suitable because friendship is a form of human relationship. Regarding to that statement, it will appropriate to use psychological theories to support the analysis about friendship.

The result from this analysis shows that friendship values among the characters in the novel are found. Those occur because of certain factors that mostly happened in real life. The writer also concludes that friendship among Danny and his friends occurs because there are similarities, reciprocity, and proximity among them.



ABSTRAKSI

Tortilla Flat adalah salah satu novel karangan John Steinbeck dan ini adalah novel pertamanya yang meraih sukses. Novel pertama kali diterbitkan pada tahun 1935. Novel ini mengangkat kehidupan para Paisano yang tinggal di daerah pantai California.

Skripsi ini berjudul “Studi Psikologi pada persahabatan dalam novel Tortilla Flat karya John Steinbeck” memiliki dua tujuan. Pertama, untuk menggambarkan persahabatan yang ditemukan di novel. Kedua, untuk menganalisa faktor-faktor yang menentukan persahabatan dalam sudut pandang psikologi.

Pendekatan yang digunakan untuk menganalisa novel ini adalah pendekatan psikologi. Hal ini sangat cocok mengingat persahabatan adalah sebuah bentuk dari hubungan antar manusia. Berhubungan dengan pernyataan diatas, sangatlah tepat untuk menggunakan teori-teori psikologi untuk mendukung analisa tentang persahabatan.

Hasil dari analisa ini menunjukkan bahwa nilai-nilai persahabatan diantara karakter-karakter yang ada memang ditemukan. Hal itu terjadi karena beberapa faktor yang kemungkinan dapat terjadi di kehidupan nyata. Penulis juga menyimpulkan bahwa persahabatan yang terjadi antara Danny dan teman-temannya dikarenakan karena adanya banyak persamaan, hubungan timbal balik, dan kedekatan tempat tinggal diantara mereka.

