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ABSTRACT

*A Walk to Remember* movie, directed by Adam Shankman, was published in 2002 in the United States of America. It tells about a story of Landon Carter, who is a bad boy but popular in his school. He lacks human basic needs and it makes him has a bad character. Even at the end of the movie, he changes into a good person because of Jamie, his girlfriend who passes away because of leukemia. Landon is a member of a group which always makes trouble both in and outside school.

The analysis aims to show the readers how a boy like Landon Carter is lacking of human basic needs, what are the causes and the effects that make Landon lacks of needs and how it relates to his character.

To analyze Landon’s character, the writer uses Abraham Maslow’s Hierarchy of Needs which consists of physiological need, safety need, love and belonging need, esteem need, and self actualization need. There is only one of five human basic needs that is physiological need, which is fulfilled by Landon. And there are causes and effects that make Landon lack of the others human basic needs.

Some results can be found in this thesis. First, Landon’s lack of human basic needs has great influences for his character. Also there are some causes that make Landon lack of human basic needs such as from his family condition and his society. Second, in order to meet his basic needs, Landon does some ways such as making a group which likes to bully other friends, getting drunk, and making troubles in the school. These are done for gaining recognition from and popularity among their friends.
ABSTRAK


Analisa ini bertujuan untuk menunjukkan kepada pembaca bagaimana seorang anak laki-laki seperti Landon Carter kekurangan kebutuhan-kebutuhan dasar manusia, apa penyebab dan dampak yang membuat Landon kekurangan kebutuhan-kebutuhan dasar manusia, dan bagaiman itu berhubungan dengan karakternya.

Untuk menganalisa karakter Landon, penulis menggunakan teori Hierarki kebutuhan milik Abraham Maslow yang terdiri dari kebutuhan fisiologis, kebutuhan akan rasa aman, kebutuhan untuk dimiliki dan dicintai, kebutuhan untuk dihargai, dan kebutuhan aktualisasi diri. Hanya ada satu dari lima kebutuhan dasar manusia, yaitu kebutuhan fisiologis yang terpenuhi oleh Landon. Dan ada penyebab-penyebab dan dampak-dampak yang membuat Landon kekurangan kebutuhan-kebutuhan dasar manusia yang lainnya.

Beberapa hasil dapat ditemukan dalam studi ini. Pertama, kekurangan Landon akan kebutuhan-kebutuhan dasar manusia mempunyai pengaruh yang besar terhadap karakternya. Juga ada beberapa penyebab yang membuat Landon kekurangan akan kebutuhan-kebutuhan dasar manusia yaitu dari kondisi keluarganya dan lingkungan Landon. Yang kedua, untuk
memenuhi kebutuhan-kebutuhan dasarnya, Landon melakukan dengan berbagai cara seperti membuat geng yang suka mengganggu teman-teman yang lainnya, mabuk, dan membuat masalah di sekolah. Beberapa hal ini dilakukan untuk memperoleh pengakuan dan popularitas di antara teman-temannya.
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