

AN ANALYSIS OF THE HATRED REFLECTED IN AGATHA CHRISTIE'S NOVEL "APPOINTMENT WITH DEATH"

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Abstract

This research discusses hatred of the characters based on Agatha Christie's novel "Appointment with Death". Hatred of the characters to the protagonist of this novel. That is Mrs. Boynton is the study of this writing. She is a sadist, happy to see someone suffer because of her actions. It gives a great pleasure for her. However, hatred comes to her from the people around such as, her children, her daughter-in-law and her colleagues. In the end of this story, Mrs. Boynton gets a final result of her attitude. She is killed by a person who has become a victim of Mrs. Boynton's brutality. The analysis is focused on hatred in Agatha Christie Novel "Appointment with Death". The analysis covers only hatred of the main characters. This research uses descriptive qualitative method to an analysis of the hatred reflected in Agatha Christie's novel "appointment with death".

Keyword: *Anlaysis , Hatred, Agatha Christie's Novel*

Abstrak

Penelitian ini membahas kebencian terhadap karakter berdasarkan novel Agatha Christie. "Appointment with Death". Kebencian merupakan karakter protagonis yang ada di dalam novel ini. Karakter protagonist itu adalah nyonya Boynton. Dia adalah seorang yang sadis, senang untuk melihat seseorang menderita karena tindakannya. Hal ini memberikan kesenangan besar baginya. Namun, kebencian datang kepadanya dari orang-orang di sekitar seperti, anak-anaknya, menantu perempuannya dan rekan-rekannya. Pada akhir cerita ini, Ny. Boynton mendapatkan hasil akhir dari sikapnya. Dia dibunuh oleh orang yang telah menjadi korban kebrutalan Ny. Boynton. Analisis ini fokuskan pada kebencian dalam Agatha Christie Novel "Appointment with Death". Analisis hanya mencakup kebencian terhadap karakter utama. Penelitian ini menggunakan metode kualitatif untuk menganalisa kebencian yang digambarkan dalam novel Agatha Christie "Appointment with death"

Kata Kunci: *Analisis, Kebencian, Novel Agatha Christie.*

1. INTRODUCTION

As the creation of God we all have high qualities that are not processed by animals such as mind, ambition, love and hatred. Pertaining to hatred, we can say that there are many perceptions about it that can be seen in our daily life. One meaning of ;hatred is:An angry feeling of extreme dislike for someone or something" (Longman of Contemporary English Dictionary, 2001:838)However, hatred can be defined as the ;feeling of aversion towards something.Consequently hatred may also Cause conflicts in friendship or any other social relationship. Hostility is surely Framed automatically. The feeling of hatred usually appears when the feeling goes beyond control. However, such a feeling of hatred or revenge has no space on the heart of those who have good Faith in religion as every religion forbids it. The novel is concerned with hatred which dominates the major characters and from this a conflict arises. A conflict caused by hatred created by the protagonist , that is Mrs. Boynton.She is the creator of hatred in the whole cause of the story; and it is a pity to see that she is at last finished by the same hatred she has created. There are some reason to choose this topic because Hatred is always the causes of evil actions, hatred can turn one's mind into wickedness so that it can lead to destruction not only to others but also to the person concerned, the topic gives moral lessons which can be taken as knowledge and guidance.

The purposes of this analysis are:

1. To show that hatred is a serious mental disturbance that can lead people to destruction.
2. To show that hatred may cause negative effects not only to other but also to the person bearing the feeling.
3. To take the moral lesson from this analysis to be Made as guidance in life.

2. METHODOLOGY

This research uses descriptive qualitative method to an analysis of the hatred reflected in Agatha Christie's novel "appointment with death". a descriptive study is one in which information is collected without changing the environment that is nothing is manipulated. These are also referred to as “ correlational ” or “ observational ” studies. A descriptive study is any study that is not truly experimental. In human research, a descriptive study can provide information about the naturally occurring health status, behavior, attitudes or other characteristics of a

particular group. Descriptive studies are also conducted to demonstrate association or relationships between things in the world around us. (Bickman, 2010: 34).

3. FINDINGS AND DISCUSSIONS

When one is hurt, one is sure to have hatred towards the maker of that hurting. Hatred automatically emerges from the feeling. Hatred is an extreme dislike of someone for something. The writer believes that no one wishes to be hated and wishes to hate other. Hatred makes someone feels dumb because he cannot express his feeling. Hatred can also create crime. Hatred is sometimes regarded as one of the factors for someone or a group of people to make crimes such as, killing, stealing, raping, and some other this happens in the family of Boynton's. Mrs. Boynton is the protagonist of the story, much hated by the persons around her because Mrs. Boynton has a wicked behavior towards others. She is a sadist and intimidation is her favorite weapon to convey a mental depression to somebody. At times the aims is simple that is to obey her in all things. In this chapter, the writer will explain about hatred of the people around Mrs. Boynton, such as, her children, her daughter-in-law, and Lady Westholme.

A. The Hatred of Mrs. Boynton's Children

Since Elmer Boynton passes away, Mrs. Boynton restrains her children not only in expressing their attitude or behavior but also on revealing their own desire and what they think of something else. It means that the Boynton's are not given any chance of touching freedom. Actually freedom is the right of every person especially for the children of America. They are too free to do what they want that the people outside America have an opinion that the Americans live a life of free style. But, the condition of Boynton's family is a contrast. The children are really under the intolerable mental strain. Even though Genevra Boynton is of her own flesh, the old woman never gives her love for her. As a parent especially a mother she should have an important role in recognizing and understanding her sons and daughters and then taking care of the process of their natural growth. Parents are not demanded to compose them to be what they want. However, they are responsible to support the children wisely until they can stand by themselves. Unfortunately Mrs. Boynton is not a good mother. Jinny as her own daughter often gets mental depression from her mother. Consequently, it makes her fall into frustration. She regards herself as a princess that is surrounded by some enemies.

She hates Mrs. boynton so much. Furthermore , she thinks that the old woman is not her mother.

B. The Hatred of Nadine, the Daughter -in-Law

In a family life, a husband usually wants his wife to make a good relationship with his own parents particularly with his mother. A good daughter - in- law an usually respect and love her parents-in-Law. She Will also be respected if she respect the whole members of her husband's family. Thus the interaction will be running well. The communication between parents-in-Law and their daughter in-law Will not be as free as that of a child with his or her own parents. It means that there is something making them a big distant. This is good for such a distance Will from a respect. However in the family of Boynton, Nadine as a daughter-in-Law is never given any right to speak at all and totally not respected by Mrs. Boynton.

Honestly, Nadine is a good daughter-in-Law. She loves her husband, her brother and sisters-in-law very much. Mrs.Boynton is really a cruel mother for her children. She purposely arranges the marriage of Nadine with Lennox to make her son stand at home. Then she also wants Nadine to be her new slave. But such a thing will never happen because Nadine is not so foolish as her mother-in-law thinks. Basically , rules are needed in a family life. However the rules of Mrs. Boynton have misled all the children. Caused a bad effect and hatred for every person in the family, including Nadine. Nadine always resists all the rules of her mother-in-law. She feels that the old woman often cuts off the words of Mrs. Boynton.

C. The Hatred of Lady Westholme

Disgrace is a thing to be avoided. Everyone basically has a secret in life, but the secret is kept in such a way that other people Will never know about it. Many people have something special too. Something to be out of sight people usually use all the way to keep their secret to avoid being dragged into a disgrace , for example having a baby before marriage. This is one example out of innumerable ones. Even a person may keep a certain secret by all means. Illegal ways Will surely be regarded as legal in order to avoid fame from being destroyed. Lady Westholme .cannot also gets rid herself of a secret. Lady Westholme is a well known figure in English political world. She throws herself with vigour into the political life. She is much respected by the people of England. but few knows that long timeago. Lady Westholme was a criminals and gas ever been in jail where Mrs. Boynton work as a wardress on the prison. No one recognizes the true identity of Lady Westholme

and why she enters the prison except the old woman. So, Mrs. Boynton is the only one woman now who knows about the reason. Everyone who knows the behavior of the old woman Will understand that she likes to hurt someone's feeling. She does it because she wants to find some satisfaction. She feels that by dominating the mental of the victims, she Will be a strong woman and have an absolute power. That is the reason why Lady Westholme hates the old woman. She dislikes the evil mind owned by Mrs. Boynton. Morrover, she has a disgraceful past life that Will spoil her name if it is known by other people. She is afraid that the old woman Will disclose her secret that Will also damage her position in the society. The old woman Will threaten her to do everything. Besides she will become her slave to conduct her will. Mrs. Boynton expressively asks lady Westholme come into Petra , a place of picnic. She absolutely obeys her command to meet her , but she tries to find a way to hurt her disgrace at the same time she knows that Mrs. Boynton is a rich women and she does not need any money badly . She just needs some satisfaction of making other person suffer. She knows that as long as Mrs. Boynton is still alive, her condition in the society will not be safe.

4. CONCLUSIONS

Having analyzed the element of hatred in Agatha Christie's novel "Appointment with Death", the writer concludes that the characters whom the writer has analyzed, feel a deep hatred to the protagonist of this novel, that is Mrs Boynton. She always restrains the life of the characters of this novel. She is happy to see someone in suffering because of her actions. The effect of her actions. Is that all the people around the old woman, such as a children, her daughter in law, and her colleague hate her. The bad attitude of Mrs Boynton as already mentioned is she likes to see someone suffer because of her actions. Everyone knows that she has a lot of money and she does not need any luxurious things from people. And now the only things that makes her happy is to see someone in agnoy owing to her actions. This is a disease and she is suffering from this disease. She is insane; this is stated so from all she has done to the people around her. She reaps what she shows is perhaps the best statement to be presented in this conclusion. The fatal result she gets from her insanity is that she gets killed.

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