

ABSTRACT

Incident at Hawk's Hill is one of the biggest works of Allan W. Eckert. Eckert's Novel tells a story about the characterization of character Benjamin MacDonald who is so dominant and has psychological conflict that interest to be analysis. Therefore, the objective of this thesis is to analyze the dominance of environmental factors by emphasizing intrinsic and extrinsic aspect. In relation to scope of problem, the researcher limits the discussion just on the central character— Benjamin MacDonald.

The researcher uses two approaches of research. The first is structural approach to analyze the character and characterization of the main character— Benjamin MacDonald. The second is psychological approach that focuses on the central character. In this study the researcher uses library research method. Before discussing the problem, the researcher elaborates biography of Allan W. Eckert and synopsis of *Incident at Hawk's Hill*. Analyzing the problem of the study, firstly, the researcher bases the analysis on theory related to intrinsic aspect, namely character and characterization. Secondly, in order to analyze the psychological aspect and relating with environment, the Researcher focuses on stimulus - response perspective relating with environmental factor.

In this thesis, the Researcher discusses Benjamin MacDonald as the central character of the Novel. The researcher finds the strange phenomenon in the story. It is about Benjamin MacDonald, a boy who can imitate acts and sounds of animals. Many people around him said that he is unnormal. He also afraid to talk with other people belongs his family. There is a strange events which faced by Benjamin MacDonald.

finally, the researcher finds that the character Benjamin MacDonald is major, complex and dynamic character in *Incident at Hawk's Hill*. It brings a lot of problems surround him in story.

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