

ABSTRACT

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The research entitled "Readers' Perspective on Dogs' Loyalty in Jack Canfield's "We are not Alone", "Little Lost Dog" and "Cheyenne" Short Stories" is aimed to figure out the readers' perspective on dogs' loyalty in Jack Canfield's three short stories. The primary source is the data that are taken from readers' responses and the secondary source is Jack Canfield's three short stories to analyze the study.

Furthermore, Readers' Response theory that focuses on Subjective Criticism by David Bleich is used for analyzing the readers' perspective in Jack Canfield's three short stories. Subjective criticism is a pattern in which readers are in the loop that has several elements such as personal experiences, psychological perspectives and interpretation. It is a paradigm shift; it is objective paradigm to the subjective paradigm. This discussion is supported by the respondents' questionnaire and interview results as the primary source. The criteria of respondents are those who (1) speak English well, (2) have experiences that related to dogs' loyalty, and (3) have dogs as their pet. Therefore, the analysis was presented by using qualitative method.

The discussion of this study is separated into ten parts; each part contains each respondent's explanation of each short story. Readers' perspective on dogs' loyalty can be concluded that dogs are human's best friend and they are naturally loyal to human. Readers' considerations of this study are variable and unique. This shows that experiences affect the readers' perspectives and this is in line with the theory developed by Bleich which stated that when someone reads a literary text, the readers will insert themselves into the identity of the reading process. Experiences affect the readers' perspectives towards the stories. The respondents unconsciously relate their experiences they have had with the stories. The way the respondents think about the stories they read is affected by their personal experiences with their dog.

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Penelitian yang berjudul "Readers' Perspective on Dogs' Loyalty in Jack Canfield's "We are not Alone", "Little Lost Dog" and "Cheyenne" Short Stories" bertujuan untuk menganalisis pandangan pembaca terhadap kesetiaan anjing dalam tiga cerita pendek yang ditulis oleh Jack Canfield. Respon pembaca merupakan data utama dan tiga cerita pendek yang ditulis oleh Jack Canfield merupakan data pendukung.

Penelitian ini menggunakan teori respon pembaca yang menerapkan kritik subjektif oleh David Bleich. Kritik Subjektif bekerja melalui sebuah pola dimana pembaca berada dalam sebuah lingkaran yang dipenuhi oleh aspek-aspek tertentu seperti pengalaman pribadi, pendapat psikologis dan tanggapan yang berdasarkan oleh pergantian paradigma, yakni berawal dari sebuah paradigma objektif menjadi paradigma subjektif. Analisa ini ditunjang oleh jawaban pembaca dari kuisioner dan wawancara. Para pembaca harus memenuhi syarat untuk menjadi responden, yaitu (1) fasih berbahasa Inggris, (2) memiliki pengalaman pribadi yang berkaitan dengan kesetiaan anjing dan (3) memiliki anjing peliharaan. Oleh sebab itu, analisa ini menggunakan metode kualitatif.

Analisa ini dibagi menjadi sepuluh bahasan; setiap bahasan berisi analisa satu responden yang mencakup tiga pembahasan cerita pendek. Kesimpulan dari pandangan pembaca yakni anjing merupakan sahabat manusia dan secara alami memiliki kesetiaan terhadap manusia. Respon pembaca sangat bervariasi dan unik sebab pengalaman pribadi para responden mempengaruhi pola pandang mereka. Hal ini sangat berkaitan dengan teori yang dicetuskan oleh David Bleich; yaitu ketika seseorang membaca sebuah karya sastra, maka mereka memasukkan diri sendiri ke dalam identitas proses membaca. Pengalaman pribadi memberi pengaruh yang signifikan terhadap pembaca dalam menginterpretasikan karya sastra. Secara tidak sadar, mereka mengaitkan pengalaman tersebut kedalam cerita. Cara mereka menginterpretasikan karya sastra disebabkan oleh pengalaman pribadi.