

ABSTRACT

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Joe Mason was a Marine Corps member who worked for more than thirty years, but because of the disappointment towards the government he left his work. He then worked in DHS (Department of Homeland Security). After becoming a DHS agent, he planned to produce and to sell nuke to the terrorist. He wanted to earn more money by selling the nuke. However, his plan of selling nuke almost ruined because one of his assistants, Matt Reynold was a military member. So, Mason asked the other assistants to kill the Matt and his family. After killing them, the situation became more chaotic. The police started to dig the truth behind the murder and some of his assistants began to betray him.

There were two problem formulations in this research. Those problems were (1) What were Joe Mason's motives of committing the crimes? and 2) What were the criteria of crimes found in novel *Zero Day* based on criminology point of view? The objectives of the study were to answer those questions. In this study, the research used library research. The primary source was a novel entitled *Zero Day* (2011) by David Baldacci. Meanwhile the secondary sources were books and data from the Internet. The theories used were theory of motivation and motive, human basic emotions, theory of anxiety, and criminology.

After analyzing by using those theories, the researcher concluded that Joe Mason's motives of selling the nuke were to accomplish his self-hierarchy needs and also disappointment. Besides, the need of money also motivated him to sell it; he thought that he did not get much money comparing to what he had done. Meanwhile, Mason's motives for being a mastermind of the murder were triggered by his safety and security need and also anxiety. There were three crime criteria out of five which were found in the novel. The criteria were human involvement, the actions violated law, and there were evidences of the crimes.

It is suggested to the future researchers that they can use this thesis as reference for their study, especially which is dealing with crime. They can also discuss another topic such as the main character of the novel *Zero Day*. Besides, this the novel can be used by the lecturers of English Language Education Study Program as a reference of teaching Prose.

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Joe Mason adalah seorang mantan anggota Angkatan Laut (AL) yang telah bekerja lebih dari 30 tahun. Akan tetapi dikarenakan oleh kekecewaan terhadap pemerintah dia meninggalkan pekerjaannya. Dia kemudian bekerja sebagai anggota Divisi Pertahanan dan Keamanan. Setelah bekerja dalam divisi tersebut, Mason mempunyai rencana menjual senjata kepada para teroris. Hal ini didasari oleh perasaan kecewanya terhadap pemerintah. Mason ingin menghasilkan lebih banyak uang dengan cara menjual senjata kepada para teroris. Akan tetapi, rencana tersebut hampir terbongkar karena salah satu bawahannya, Matt Reynolds merupakan anggota militer. Jadi, Mason memerintah bawahan lain untuk membunuh Matt dan keluarganya. Setelah membunuh mereka, situasi semakin kacau. Polisi mulai menggali kebenaran di balik kasus pembunuhan tersebut dan beberapa anggota Mason mulai mengkhianatinya.

Ada dua rumusan masalah dari penelitian ini yakni (1) apakah sajakah motif-motif Joe Mason melakukan kejahatan? Dan (2) Apakah saja kriteria-kriteria kejahatan yang ditemukan di novel Zero Day berdasarkan sudut pandang kriminologi. Objektif dari penelitian ini adalah menjawab rumusan masalah di atas. Penelitian ini menggunakan metode studi pustaka. Sumber utama penelitian ini merupakan sebuah novel yang berjudul Zero Day oleh David Baldacci. Sedangkan sumber sekunder berupa buku-buku dan data internet. Teori-teori yang digunakan adalah teori motivasi dan motif, emosi dasar manusia, teori ketakutan dan kriminologi.

Dari hasil analisis, peneliti menyimpulkan bahwa motif dari tindakan penjualan bom oleh Mason adalah pemenuhan kebutuhan diri, pengakuan terhadap dirinya, dan kekecewaan. Sedangkan motif Mason menjadi dalang dari pembunuhan-pembunuhan tersebut dipicu oleh kebutuhan akan keamanan dan perasaan takut. Peneliti menemukan tiga kriteria dari lima karakteristik kejahatan, yaitu adanya keterkaitan dengan manusia, tindakan tersebut melanggar hukum, dan adanya bukti-bukti kejahatan.

Para peneliti selanjutnya dapat menggunakan skripsi ini sebagai acuan penelitian mereka, khususnya yang berhubungan dengan kejahatan. Mereka juga dapat mendiskusikan topik lain seperti tokoh utama dalam novel Zero Day. Untuk para dosen Pendidikan Bahasa Inggris dapat menggunakan novel Zero Day sebagai bahan acuan mengajar kelas Prose.

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