

ABSTRACT

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This study deals with *Band of Brothers*, a novel written by Stephen E. Ambrose. This novel tells the story of Richard Dick Winters, a soldier who takes action combat for ally in World War II to against Germany. Richard Winters is a soldier who serves his country in World War II. He becomes a paratrooper soldier in the company, named Easy Company. As a volunteer soldier, he wants to spend his time in army by positive time and with no excuses seriously takes action combat during the war. His motivation, leadership skill and an ability to solve the conflict bring Easy Company lead the campaign the war in Europe. At the beginning of the war, his action in Europe is only to show his willingness to serve the company. As the time passed, he realizes that the war is not only about fighting with enemy, but also helping and releasing the Jewish people who are placed in a concentration camp and treated badly by Germany soldiers.

The aim of the study is to find out the meanings of Richard Dick Winters action during his military service. There are two research questions in this study. The first question is "How is Richard Dick Winters described in the novel?" And the second one is "What are the meanings of Richard Dick Winters' action during his military service?"

The theories that are implemented in this study are the theory of character and characterization, the theory of leadership, the theory of motivation and the theory of conflict. The approach used is psychological approach. The primary data of this study is a novel entitled *Band of Brothers*, while the secondary ones are: Literary books, psychology books, related books and internet.

After analyzing the novel, it can be concluded that Richard Winters is described as a hard working, kind, humble, self-confident, spiritual, wise, caring and decisive person. Then, the meanings Winters' action are taking the Germany battery, solving the conflict among his men and changing the leader of Easy Company. Further, the deeper meanings are he does not want to be killed in the first day, refuses to be underestimated by his men, wants to lead Easy Company once more and helps Jewish people, who are treated badly by Germany soldiers.

For future researchers, it is recommended to analyze the meaning of people around Winters' action, such as Nixon's or Sobel's action. It is also suggested that the novel is used as the material to teach reading.

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Study in berkaitan dengan novel Band Of Brothers, sebuah novel yang ditulis oleh Stephen E. Ambrose. Novel ini bercerita tentang Richard Dick Winters. Winters adalah tentara yang melayani negaranya pada Perang Dunia I, melawan Jerman. Dia bergabung dengan pasukan penerjun payung di sebuah kompi, yang bernama Kompi Easy. Sebagai tentara sukarela, dia ingin menjalani waktu di kemiliteran dengan hal-hal positif tanpa banyak keluhan yang mengganggu. Jadi, dia melaksanakan dengan serius semua tugasnya selama perang. Motivasi Winters, kepemimpinannya dan cara dia mengatasi konflik, membawa kompi Easy memimpin kampanye perang di Eropa. Pada awalnya, aksinya di perang Eropa hanya sebatas untuk melayani negaranya. Seiring berjalannya waktu, dia sadar bahwa perang ini tidak hanya untuk mengalahkan musuh, tetapi juga untuk membantu dan melepaskan kaum Yahudi.

Tujuan dari studi ini adalah mencari arti dari aksi Winters selama berada di kemiliteran. Ada dua pertanyaan yang harus dijawab dalam studi ini, yang pertama "Bagaimana Richard Winters digambarkan dalam novel?", yang kedua "Apa arti aksi dari Richard Winters selama di kemiliteran?"

Teori yang digunakan adalah teori karakter dan perwatakan, teori kepemimpinan, teori motivasi dan teori konflik. Pendekatan yang digunakan adalah pendekatan psikologi. Sumber data pada studi ini adalah novel Band Of Brothers, sementara itu sumber kedua adalah buku literatur, buku psikologi, buku-buku yang terkait dan dari internet.

Dari hasil studi ini dapat disimpulkan bahwa Richard Winters digambarkan sebagai pekerja keras, baik hati, rendah hati, percaya diri, spiritual, bijaksana, perhatian dan tegas. Lalu, arti dari aksi Winters adalah mengambil alih meriam Jerman, menyelesaikan konflik diantara tentara dan mengganti tongkat kepemimpinan di Kompi Easy. Untuk arti lebih mendalam, Winters tidak mau tebus sia-sia pada hari pertama, diremehkan oleh para anak buahnya dan sebenarnya dia ingin lagi memimpin Kompi Easy dan yang terakhir untuk membantu kaum Yahudi yang diperlakukan buruk oleh tentara Jerman.

Untuk para peneliti selanjutnya, disarankan untuk menganalisa orang-orang disekitar Winters, seperti Nixon atau Sobel. Lalu juga disarankan bahwa novel ini dapat digunakan sebagai materi untuk mengajar reading.

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