

Analysis of the Main Character in the Novel *Eccedentesias* By Itakrn: A Literary Psychology Study

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Abstract

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This research was motivated by an interest and desire to know more about the personality of the main character Canva in the novel *Eccedentesias* by Itakrn. The aim of this research is to determine the personality of the main character Canva in the novel *Eccedentesias* by Itakrn. The results of the research found several personalities experienced by the main character of Canva. The main character's personality type is 1) Accompaniment Process a) kind, b) humble, c) calm, d) disappointed, e) good memory, f) not calm, g) not easily discouraged, h) careless, 2) Emotional a) angry 3) Activities a) easy to open your heart, b) forgiving, c) affectionate, d) likes to share, e) likes to help.

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INTRODUCTION

Literary works have a strong appeal in describing the complexity of humans and their personalities. One important aspect of literary analysis is the characterization of the main characters in a novel. One novel that is interesting to analyze from the perspective of literary psychology is Itakrn's "*Eccedentesias*". The novel offers a very interesting main character, Canva, who brings out a number of rich and complex personality traits.

An analysis of the protagonist's personality in a literary work not only provides a deeper understanding of the fictional character, but can also provide insight into psychological aspects that may be relevant in real life. In this context, this study aims to explore and reveal the fourteen personality traits experienced by the main character Canva in the novel "*Eccedentesias*," focusing on the psychological aspects present in it.

The study of literary psychology has become a useful tool to explore the meaning and depth of characters in literary works. Analyzing the main character's personality in this novel will allow us to better understand the internal conflicts, character development, and how the author creates the relationship between the characters and the story. As such, this research seeks to bridge the art of literature with the discipline of psychology, opening the door to a deeper understanding of humans and psychology in the context of literary works.



Literary works can be an expression conveyed by the author containing human life experiences to find out feelings and psychology that will be conveyed through the written form of the author's imagination so as to produce an entertaining literary work. Literary works themselves can reflect on human life that interacts between humans and humans, humans and nature and humans and God. A literary work in the form of fantasy does not mean that the literary work is the result of mere imagination. The author certainly writes through full appreciation and conscious contemplation. With all the creativity the author makes his writing with beautiful language so as to create an interesting work.

As imaginative works, literary works serve as entertainment and can increase knowledge and experience for readers. There are three types of literary works as imaginative results, namely prose, poetry, and drama. Prose is a fictional story. Fiction is a fictional story or imaginary story. This is because fiction is a narrative work whose content does not refer to factual truth, something that really happened (Abrams in Nurgiyantoro 2013: 2). One type of prose is the novel. Novels are fictional stories that usually reflect human life in which the journey and experiences of human life are depicted like real life materialized through aesthetic language. The various personalities of the main characters in the novel can make readers more curious and cool in enjoying this literary work.

In detail, the reason for choosing the novel *Eccedentesias* as the object of this research is because the author wants to know more about the personality of the main character Canva in the novel *Eccedentesias*. To the researcher's knowledge, the novel *Eccedentesias* is one of the latest novels by Itakrn and has not been studied specifically with a literary psychology approach, especially those related to the personality of the main character Canva Narendra. To find out the personality of Canva's character in the novel *Eccedentesias*, an auxiliary science related to psychology is needed, namely psychology. Through the science of psychology, it is expected to better understand the personality of the main character Canva.

RESEARCH METHOD

Type of Research This research is a type of research that uses a psychological approach with literary psychology theory. The psychology used in this research is Gerald Heymans' personality psychology.

The method used is qualitative method. The application of this qualitative method is descriptive which means that the data produced is in the form of words in the form of quotations. Literature can be said to be a mosaic of quotes that are ascribed to an anonymous universe. Literary science according to Ratna's opinion (2016: 97) is as formal data are words, sentences and discourse. In this case, the data of this research is expressed through sentences and quotations from the text in the novel *Eccedentesias*.

This research uses literature-based data collection techniques, with data consisting of primary and secondary sources. Primary data is obtained through careful reading and recording techniques, while secondary data is obtained through literature study. The data collection process is carried out with steps such as reading the novel under study carefully and repeatedly, marking parts relevant to the focus

of the problem, interpreting the data, describing the findings, and recording relevant information in accordance with the research focus.

In this study, the data were analyzed using a literary psychology approach to describe the personality of the main character Canva in the novel "EccedentesiasT" by Itakrn. The data analysis technique involves four important steps, namely presenting data relevant to the research focus, reading the novel "EccedentesiasT" repeatedly to collect the necessary data and utilizing relevant secondary data, understanding the meaning of language and expressions used by the author, and recording sentences or expressions related to Canva's personality according to the specified categorization.

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

Gerard Heymans' Theory of Personality

The word "personality" comes from the ancient Greek personopon which means a mask for acting. "Personality is the dynamic organization within the individual of the psychophysical systems that determine his or her unique adjustment to the environment." Heymans, a professor of psychology in Groningen, Germany, viewed that the principle of behavior is determined by certain forces within the human person. Heymans came to this view after he diligently investigated certain forces in the human body through filling out questionnaires that he made and distributed to people he chose as objects of investigation. Heymans managed to make a conclusion about the type of character of a person based on the presence or absence of the three principles (in Suryabrata (2007: 70-74). In this research, I will discuss the theory of personality according to Gerard Heymans in the novel EccedentesiasT by Itakrn.

Canva Main Character Personality

1) Accompaniment Process

a) Good

"His gaze continued to center on his friend who was still closing his eyes. Sometimes, Marvel wondered why there were people who still had hearts as soft as his? In fact, in the midst of his difficulties, Canva still continues to think about the fate of Ciko and friends who are already considered family." (p 118, 2022)

In the quote above we know that, how canva's nature towards anyone. good in any situation, old, young and even anyone he is always kind. In the most difficult circumstances, he still thinks about the fate of street children who he already considers like his own younger brother. We know, how good canva is in doing anything, willing to share, help each other and he does not expect anything in return for the actions he takes.

b) Humble

"For what? We are both humans who have shortcomings" (p. 36, 2022)

In the quote above, it indicates that how canva's personality figure is so humble who always considers that we are both creatures of God's most perfect creation, this indicates that canva is very sincere to the people around him and humble in addressing all the problems he faces.

We can understand that the quote above can teach us to always be humble and not ashamed and not arrogant in doing halal work and not bothering

others. From Canva's personality above, he did not hesitate and was not ashamed to have to sell pulses at the school he attended and was proud of the side job he had to cover some of his life's needs. Whatever our job, how we live in society we must always be grateful.

c) Calm

"Canva was silent for a moment. He couldn't afford to think negatively like marvel. Maybe, there is something urgent that requires this girl's brother to leave his sister" (p. 34, 2022)

In the quote listed above, Canva himself cannot always think negatively, he is always calm in thinking, so that what he thinks about bad things does not happen and he thinks it might be a coincidence.

"Good job Anva", she said to herself as she reclaimed first place. This time, Canva wasn't going to give Venus a pass. In front of her eyes, the finish line was there waiting for her. With a smile etched wide, Canva crossed the line to the accompaniment of applause that enlivened the atmosphere that night (p,68,2022).

In this excerpt, canva himself has to be calm against his enemy in a motorcycle race. His calm actions made him not rush and fall for all the deadly tricks of Venus who wanted to always trap him. He knows that doing things calmly can make him much better.

d) Disappointed

"Canva turned his face away. There was a feeling of dissatisfaction in her heart about what Kamila had said. Canva really missed the warmth of her family. Ridwan and Nafisha's "for a while" turned out to be very, very long, even into her adulthood. They didn't keep the promises they made to themselves at all." (p. 17,2022)

"Why... why is she always alone? Why is it so hard for her to feel happiness?

Why is loss always giving up her life?

Even at times like this, her parents never came home. Canva was tired of the drama they were creating. There is nothing more painful than being lied to by your own parents. Canva's mentality had been destroyed at the hands of his parents.(p20,2022)

Canva's disappointment personality is evident in the quotes above. The disappointment he got did not come from other people around him, but from his own parents. Even when he lost his beloved grandmother forever, his parents did not come to see him, the sense of longing, love, affection and hatred mixed in the feelings that Canva suppressed which became a sense of disappointment that he felt.

e) Not calm

"Hearing that, Canva's freed left hand suddenly clenched tightly. His teeth chattered with anger. "Where's Venus?" Canva tilted her head. Her forehead furrowed. Venus' words did not make her guts shrink. "But I don't. It's up to you to hate me like that. The important thing is to leave my sister alone". (p 43,2022)

Here Canva must always take charge when it comes to the people around him being bullied by his enemies. Canva's panic, who always wants to

protect the people he loves, often occurs in him. His insecurity in his heart makes him look uneasy.

f) Not easily discouraged

"It's hard. However, if not faced, when will all this be finished? Canva is sure, God has good plans for his happiness later. Canva still has Diamond to come home to. Regarding lara, it is certainly felt by all humans. Yesterday's wounds, hopefully, will lead to a happy ending." (p 24,2022)

Canva's figure is always there anytime, anywhere when his friends need him. Canva's personality is not easily discouraged which makes him different from his friends around him. He always tries whatever he can possibly help and do, including to fulfill his daily needs.

g) Sloppy

"Canva shrugged his shoulders nonchalantly. Without warning, he threw a punch at Venus' face to signal that their fight had begun." (59,2022)

"Argh, damn it!". Canva groaned in pain. His face and stomach ached. He coughed several times when Raffi hit him in the solar plexus." (60,2022)

Canva's nature is not easy to understand at times. He desperately wants to always protect the people he cares about, but his recklessness always puts him in danger. However, his heart's desire is to help his friends who are being bullied by other gangs. By seeing his friends in pain, without the consent of the others, he immediately beat the person. An unexpected incident occurred. Canva was injured due to his carelessness, and his friends scolded him for not discussing first how to fight the enemy from the other gang.

h) Good memory

"Mama forgot, huh? She said for a while? It's been years," Papa too" (p 51,2022)

The quote above shows that Canva has a very good memory and still remembers all the words of his parents that he listened to when he was 5 years old. Canva did not forget a single word he heard and he always waited for those words to become a reality. But in all the time he waited, his parents' hearts were not moved to fulfill the promises they made to their son.

2) Emotional

a) angry

"What kind of child?". "What kind of child doesn't come home when his mother dies?" (p21,2022).

"Forced how? If you really want to go home, you can! Mama never cared about us. Even when my grandmother was sick, my mother never took the time to come home for a while!" (p 22,2022)

The quote above lets us know how Canva's personality is. Although all this time he was a good, polite and obedient child, however, when everything was so boring he was always patient and always waiting, until one day he was angry and immediately expressed all the emotions he was holding back even though it was his parents. Canva was fed up with everything his parents said. It was his parents' promises that made Canva's anger even more heated.

"You're a senior, you should be a good example for the younger students! If you want to find a problem with me, don't bring your parents. Let's battle after school if you want!" (p. 58, 2022)

"Don't bring my family if you have a problem with me, Ven. You dummy!" (p 118,2022)

Even in the quote above, we know Canva's personality who gets angry easily if the people he loves and cares about, especially when it comes to his family, are disturbed by people who don't like him. Well, he's Canva's classmate Venus who always bothers Canva wherever and whenever, which makes Canva always get emotional when he sees his classmate's behavior.

3) Activity

a) Easy to open the heart

"Grandma...what feelings am I feeling right now? Is this the answer to my prayer earlier?" (34,2022)

"Canva took a long breath, then exhaled slowly. "I want to get married right away when I'm ready. Dating after marriage is far away in my opinion," (p 64,2022)

Canva's personality is easy to open her heart which makes her different from others. Canva is someone who easily opens his heart, easy to forgive and even easy to accept anyone who comes to him.

b) Loving

"Nenenk just rest, yes. Just don't do anything. I'll take care of all the housework when I get home from school. If grandma gets caught cleaning up, I get angry and don't want to come back home." (p 16,2022)

"Seeing that, without long, Canva hugged Kamila tightly as if she didn't want to lose her grandmother who was her most precious treasure. Canva loves her grandmother very much." (18, 2022)

In Gerard Heymans' theory, he suggests that there is a loving personality, in this novel, Gerard Heymans' theory is in Canva's personality who is very loving. This personality is very identical to canva's self. He really appreciates and sincerely loves the people around him.

"This is my second home. And all of them I already consider like my own brothers," said canva who sounded very sincere from his heart. Her shady eyes looked sadly at the children who were happily eating the food that Canva brought.(p63,2022)

c) Likes to share

Sharing is a very beautiful thing if we want to love our fellow humans. In Canva's personality, he really likes to share with street children who live under bridges. These street children canva already considers like his own younger brother. Canva doesn't have much money, but as much as possible he is very willing to share. he always remembers the younger siblings and always brings food to them. Sharing is not just about money, he also wants to share happiness.

"After a long thought, Canva closed her wallet again and chose not to take the money. "Just for Ciko's allowance rather than for me to eat".(p 50,2022)

d) Likes to help

"Can I take you home?" (p 34)

"Slowly, Canva led Aily into the house. Accustomed to helping people, the boy did not hesitate to meet and help strangers like this time. The two of them stepped onto the porch of the house because the raindrops were still falling faithfully, so the cold air was quite pronounced against the skin". (p 35,2022) meet, even if it's a stranger he just met or even completely unknown to him. The sentence above explains that Canva was helping a blind man to go home to the woman.

"After helping the man up, Canva straightened the bicycle that was lying on the asphalt. He then checked the middle-aged man's body to see if there were any injuries or not." (p 46,2022)

"It's okay. Let's hurry up, uncle. The child must be waiting for you." (p. 46,2002)

Canva always wants to be a person who can benefit the people around him. Well, here we can see, how sincere his heart is to help people who are in trouble. In the quote above, Canva is seen helping a middle-aged man, at first the man refused Canva's help, but Canva continued to force the man. Without the man's consent, Canva immediately picked up the man to take him home under the rain.

CONCLUSION

In the research on the main character Canva in the novel "EccedentesiasT" by Itakrn, it is revealed that Canva has fourteen personality traits that influence her character. Canva is known as a kind and loving individual, always showing humility in various situations. Her gentleness and calmness radiate in her life, even when she feels disappointed.

Canva has an exceptional memory and always maintains prudence in all matters. Despite this, she can also become restless and anxious at some moments. However, Canva is never easily discouraged and has a careless nature that sometimes makes her angry.

Not only that, Canva is also known as an individual who easily opens his heart to others, is always ready to apologize, is compassionate, and likes to share and help others. The combination of these traits forms a unique personality and describes the figure of Canva in the novel.

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