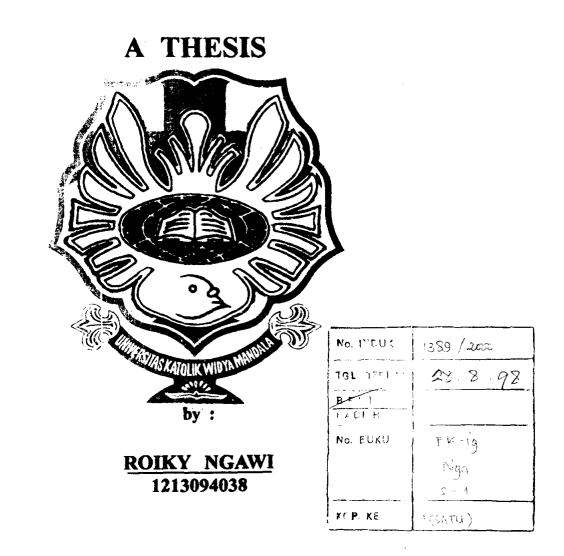
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The concepts of deep structure and surface structure introduced by Chomsky (1957) provide the fact that language has a hierarchical as well as a linear oraganization of the sentence as a series of constructions at successive level. However, it is found later that these concepts do not only apply to the syntactic level of human language but also to the level above syntax, that is discourse.

Many attempts in the linguistic study of discourse have been made to analyze various kinds of texts and stories. Story grammar is one of many currently held theories of cognitive representation of narrative texts. Slightly similar to the phrase structure rules proposed by Chomsky which give attention on the internal grammar or structure of a sentence, story grammar provides theoretical frameworks for analyzing a story in meaningful parts.

So far, studies concerning with story grammar have achieved a great success using simple stories and folk tales (Prop, 1928; Levistarauss, 1960, 1963; Barthes, 1966; Greimas, 1966; Todorov, 1968; van Dijk, 1972, 1977; Bredmon, 1973; Gulich and Raible, 1977; Johnson and Mandler, 1977; Mandler, 1978; Rumelhart, 1975, 1980; Sten and Glenn, 1979). Though this study is conducted on the same basic theory of story grammar, it stresses on the analysis on the internal structures of a more complex form of discourse, that is short story.

Using principled method of story grammar proposed by Johnson and Mandler, this study is trying to describe the tree structure of the three analyzed short stories and to determine whether each story has a well-formed or an ill-formed organization. Each story consists of a setting and an event structure. The event structure is divided into a number of episodes. The episode itself consists of a beginning, a development, and an ending.

Through a long analysis, this study is able to describe the stories in a meaningful and logical relationship and to show that these stories possess a well-formed story organization. Considering the length of the story, one short story may consist of more than one story organization. "Rappacini's Daughter", for example, consists of six story organizations.

Finally, this study is intended as a contribution to the more specific linguistic study of discourse, especially one that deals with story grammar and the teaching and learning of literature.