CHAPTER V

CONCLUSION

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This study analyses the major characters of Steinbeck's novel <u>Of Mice and Men</u>. The writer uses Little's points of analysing character as a guideline to conduct his analysis sistematically.

Based on the first question on the statement of the problem, that is the basic qualities of the major characters, it can be seen that the major characters' basic qualities which cover physical and mental qualities are described vividly and convincingly that really suport their roles in the story. George Milton with his kindness to look after his simpleminded friend, and Lennie Small with his simpleminded way of understanding things are presented clearly in their relationship which reveal that they do need each other.

Concerning the second question on the

statement of the problem, that is the relationship between the two major characters, it can be clearly seen that two major characters, George Milton and Lennie Small, are so perfectly connected that when one is destroyed, the other is automatically destroyed.

Regarding the third question on the statement of the problem, that is the way the author treats the major characters, it can be seen that the author uses a combination of descriptive and dramatic presentation. And it can also be seen that the author treates both George Milton and Lennie Small sympathetically.

In line with the last question on the statement of the problem concerning whether or not the major characters are able to embody the theme, it can be inferred that the major characters' behaviours and attitudes toward their problems show that they are able to embody the theme. As it is known that George Milton has no choice to kill his friend, Lennie Small and, as a result, now his life becomes as lonely as the lives of the other ranch hands.

5.2 Suggestion

At the end of this study, the writer would like to suggest the students of the English Department of Widya Mandala encourage themselves to read novel. Since novel talks about life's various aspect, it seems pleasant to learn new experiences through it. The students will be able to learn to be receptive to all kinds of experiences — sad, pleasing, optimist, pessimist and many others presented in novel. Hence drawing a lesson from it, the students will be open minded to life's various aspects.

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