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ON MELANCHOLIC LOVE LYRICAL TEXTS

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SUMMARY

“A Functional Stylistic Analysis on Melancholic Love Lyrical Texts”; Khelsie Ajeng Syahputri, 070110101095; 2011: 52 pages; English Department, Faculty of Letters, Jember University.

This thesis analyses three lyrical texts of melancholic love: My Happy Ending by Avril Lavigne, I Hate Everything about You by Ugly Kid Joe and Please Don’t Leave Me by Pink. This analysis deals with stylistics and especially class word, lexical cohesion and personal reference (cohesive devices). It will be used to find out the stylistic and cohesive devices of the theme of sad-love as the scope of this study. The study is a stylistic analysis based on Halliday’s Functional Stylistics. The supporting study of this thesis is Halliday’s Functional Discourse. The two theories provide very useful theoretical and analytical framework for exploring and explaining how texts mean. This thesis is intended to know how class word, cohesive chains realize cohesive devices (lexical cohesion and personal reference) in the relation with lexicogrammatical patterns (transitivity, mood and theme). Then, both semantic components and cohesive devices realize context of situation (field, tenor and mode).

This thesis uses library research to find out the concepts relevant to the theoretical framework of the research. Qualitative data are used to obtain the verbal descriptions, namely three lyrical texts. The descriptive method is used to describe class word, cohesive devices and context of situation.

The result of this thesis indicates that the three lyrical texts share the same tenor: the interaction between two lovers. However, they differ in many ways. The field of first lyrical text is the sad-love of a girl toward a boy; whereas the mode is a narrative text. The field of second lyrical text is the hatred and criticism of a boy toward a girl; meanwhile the mode is a descriptive text. The field of the third lyrical text is the persuasion of a girl which is full of expectation toward a boy, and the mode is a persuasive text. In conclusion, Functional Stylistic Analysis is used to analyze
three lyrical texts in order to know how the texts are closely related in terms of the melancholic or sad-love relationship story.
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