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This thesis analyzes a novel, The Kite Runner. This novel is translated from an English novel with the same title. The main discussion in this thesis is about the main character’s personality. Betrayal has close relation with breaking the agreement or trust that someone has given. It has led the main character to his conflicts in the novel, The Kite Runner.

There are three problems to discuss in this thesis. First, how is the main character’s personality. Second, what is the cause of the main character’s betrayal. The last is what are the impacts caused by the main character’s betrayal. This thesis uses psychological approach because the basic analysis is about the main character’s personality that brings to his betrayal. This approach is relevant with personality theory by Sigmund Freud, consisting of three elements of personality; they are Id, Ego and Superego. Furthermore, the method of analysis in this thesis is inductive method. It tries to analyze from specific facts to general facts. It means the discussion begins with specific discussion about psychology within the short story and general discussion about the theories of personality.

The result of the study shows that the main character’s personality has led to his betrayal. His betrayal has close relation with personality theory especially the Id and Superego. Amir’s betrayal is caused by his jealousy. He ignores his Ego because
he tries to fulfill his ambition to get his father’s love and attention. However, he sacrifices Hassan based on his *Id*. He tries to fulfill his *Id* and *Superego* to get his ambitions and to erase his guilt.
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