

# CHAPTER ONE

## INTRODUCTION

### 1.1 Background of Study

Masochism is often referred to "paraphilia", a sexual disorder in which sufferer can feel sexually satisfied when woman or man is treated in a way pain, humiliated and more sadistic humiliated by his partner, it is also in the form of affection and without coercion. But it would be very different, not most of people behave and are willing or without coercion in the way it is not fair, especially for women who have other masochism. In the concept of sexual fantasy and context of *role-play*, many people are equalizing between woman and man parties that need to be known. According to J.P. Chaplin (1981), Masochism is a sexual disorder or disease in which a person gains or gets sexual satisfaction through pain by hurting himself which is considered as a form of affection. The pain that is created is considered as the beginning or complementary relationship in sexual intercourse and presence of pain is considered a good thing to get an orgasm or satisfaction.

Furthermore, masochism depicts a woman who has a sexual disease that leads her to feeling of guilt about wanting to dominate and arise. Because of the criticism, it is needed to be known that someone who can accept his partner with the sexual disease does not realize about the disease suffered by his partner, but he assumes that it is part of the innate nature of woman. According to the expert on

psychoanalytic school of a psychology from Austria of Jewish descent (1905), Sigmund Freud (1906-1953) said:

Masochism sexual disorder believes this sexual disorder can turn feelings of guilt into desires are predominant in nature, in addition to these things or church causes a lot of guilt, and see experts see it from the perspective of psychology as a natural innate in women.

Masochism sexual disorder is a person who suffers from a disease that receives treatment and does not realize that she or he has an abnormal sexual disorder as said by a psychiatrist from Austria Richard Freiherr von Krafft-Ebing (1840-1902) in his book "Psychopathia Sexualis", the disease can be called as Masochism. It is taken from the name of Leopold von Sacher-Masoch by Richard Freiherr von Krafft-Ebing whose book tells about a sexual disorder through violence both physically or psychologically and feeling of passion or achievement of satisfaction when injured by his partner.

Furthermore, the differences of masochism sexual disorder are not only found in psychology, but also related to creation of literature and learning about morals to educate real people through literary work. This is in accordance with Wellek dan Warren (1995: 91) which states about literature:

In this view of literature and the science of psychology, there is a very close relationship and have their respective roles in human life. And psychology and literature have some relevance: 1.) in the world of psychology the writer plays a personal role that has a relationship with the story to be made, 2.) namely how to develop the story to be creative so that it can attract the readers, 3.) in the science of psychology and literature have functional relationships that are equally studying the state of one's soul through the characters in a story. With the existence of literature and associated with the psychology of literary works can be made as a phenomenon or cause shows that there are aspects of authority in the world of psychology through figures as soul movers. It

is clearly the appearance of literary works is influenced by psychological events and has their respective roles in human life. So it can be concluded that literature also contributes to human life and conflict from a psychological or psychological point of view.

Further, it is supported by Ratna (2004: 62) that is also concluded psychology of literature as a text analysis that considers relevance and having role of psychological studies. Therefore, the relationship between literature and psychology can be a mean or medium where we can know the description of psychiatric condition or psychology which has a significant role. It can be taken from psychological point of view of the writer, reader, or the main character. It can be used as a mirror of one's personality who representing a group of people.

Referring to the relation between literature and psychology, the writer proposes to describe characteristics of Masochism Sexual Disorder of the Main Characters *Fifty Shades of Grey* Novel's by E. L James. The background of time of the story was in 2016. The story begins when Anastasia's roommate, Kate Kavanagh, asked Anastasia Steele for help in interviewing a 27-year-old young billionaire in Seattle. Anastasia, a 21-year-old literature student from Washington State University Vancouver, decided to come to Seattle as a volunteer to do an interview with Christian Grey in his company. After conducting interview, it turned out that Grey wanted to get to know Anastasia more deeply by encouraging her to drink coffee together. Grey was the perfect man in Anastasia's eyes but there was a trait that not everyone can accept. Anastasia, an innocent girl, secretly danced and liked Grey as soon as Grey turned out to be teak with Anastasia. After her study time, Anastasia went to a party with her friends and drunk. At that time Grey tried to attract Anastasia by taking her to his place. It made Anastasia shocked because she

woke up in a hotel room. However, Grey gently told her everything that happened last night and he did not do anything but helping her. Starting from that moment, they both agreed to have a relationship together.

*Fifty Shades of Grey* by E. L James tells about woman's masochism which is dominated or more focused by woman characters, the writer intends to analyze the novel based on the basic concept theory of Masochism by J.P. Chaplin (1981) who proposed masochism as values of Sexual Disorders in women. Therefore, in order to get a deep understanding of Masochism Sexual Disorder, the writer is interested in nailing down further discussions about Masochism Sexual Disorder as illustrated through woman character in the novel *Fifty Shades of Grey* by E. L James.

## **1.2. Research Question**

Based on the research background, the writer formulated the research questions: How is Masochism Sexual Disorder of Anastasia Steele character described?

## **1.3. Research Objective**

The purpose of this study is to answer formulated research question, where it focuses on woman characters in novel. The aim is to describe the characteristics of masochism sexual disorder of Anastasia Steele as the main character in the novel *Fifty Shades of Grey* by E. L James.

## **1.4 Uses of the Study**

The writer divides two uses of study into two parts because each researcher must contribute to academic world and it will give benefit to the community as well. Therefore, this study cope two uses of this research, namely theoretical use and practical use.

### **1.4.1 Theoretical Uses**

Theoretically, this research gives information and knowledge about masochism through literary work. It could be a reference for students who want to discuss the same topic. This study also is expected to provide English Literature student additional understanding of the novel through BDSM studies especially masochism in women. Finally, whole significances hopefully can be additional reference especially for people who studying literature.

#### **1.4.2 Practical Uses**

Practically, this research is expected to give a certain overview of knowledge and ability to the reader and stimulate the understanding of Masochism as reflected in the novel *Fifty Shades of Grey* by E L James. Hopefully, by knowing more about masochism, the reader will pay attention more about women psychology especially in terms of sexual psychology.

#### **1.5 Scope of the Study**

To limit the discussion, the writer focuses on characteristics in providing an explanation of masochism sexual disorder that depicted through women characters of *Fifty Shades of Grey* by E. L James based on J.P Chaplin theory (1981). The writer chooses to focus on one primary women character, Anastasia Steele because she shows the characteristics of Masochism Sexual Disorder through dialogues and narrations in the novel.