

ABSTRACT

Analysis of Racial Profiling in the Main Character Justyce McAllister in

Dear Martin novel by Nic Stone

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This research aims to analyze the existence of racial profiling in novel. The novel chosen is a novel by Nic Stone entitled Dear Martin. The unsettling cases related to race and racism urged the researcher to conduct a research about the racial issue, specifically racial profiling. Racial profiling is committed and used as the basis for suspicion in directing discretionary law enforcement actions such as stops, identity checks, questioning, or searches a person based on their race.

The novel Dear Martin is chosen considering the plot story of the novel that told a story about African-American teenager named Justyce McAllister. The story told about McAllister problem with a white people. Thus, the researcher analyzed the existence of racial profiling in the novel in this research.

To conduct the analysis, descriptive qualitative method was used. The method was used as this research considered as textual analysis. Sociological criticism approach and racial profiling theories also used in this research to help the researcher conduct the analysis. It aimed to see what kind of racial profiling faced by Justyce McAllister. By conducting the analysis, the researcher found that the novel Dear Martin contained the material of racial profiling as seen through the main character, Justyce McAllister. It could be seen by the way the police officer stopped, searched, questioned, and arrested McAllister as a colored people.

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