

THE IRONY OF STRUGGLE FOR LOVE AS FOUND IN *PAPER*

***TOWNS* BY JOHN GREEN**

A Thesis Proposal



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ABSTRAK

Skripsi ini meneliti ironi dalam perjuangan mengejar cinta para remaja dalam novel *Paper Towns* karya John Green. Penelitian ini menggunakan kajian Kritik Sastra Baru (*New Criticism*) untuk menganalisis elemen-elemen instrinsik di dalam novel (karakter, alur, seting, sudut pandang, serta tema) yang mengandung unsur ironi di dalamnya yang bekerja sama mendukung perjuangan mengejar cinta (yang merupakan konten) sehingga terbentuklah suatu kesatuan yang utuh yang disebut juga “organic unity” di dalam novel ini. Dari penelitian ini dapat disimpulkan bahwa elemen intrinsik novel ini mengandung ironi yang berperan penting dalam menunjukkan unsur perjuangan cinta oleh tokoh utama di dalam novel ini. Hal itu mengarah ke kesimpulan bahwa “organic unity” terbentuk akibat didukung elemen formal serta konten dalam novel ini.

Kata Kunci : Cinta, Perjuangan Cinta, Ironi, Organic Unity, New Criticism

ABSTRACT

This thesis examines the irony in the struggle for love among teenagers in John Green's novel *Paper Towns*. This study uses New Criticism to analyze the intrinsic elements in the novel (characters, plot, setting, point of view, and theme) which contain an element of irony in, which work together to support the pursuit of love (which is the content of the story) so that a complete unity is formed which is also called "organic unity" in this novel. From this study it can be concluded that the intrinsic elements of this novel contain irony which plays an important role in showing the elements of the struggle for love by the main character in this novel. This leads to the conclusion that "organic unity" is formed due to the support of formal elements and content in this novel.

Keywords : Love, Struggle of Love, Irony, Organic Unity, New Criticism