

CHAPTER V

CONCLUSION

Based on the previous chapter's analysis, I find that *The Hate U Give* reflects a form of racial discrimination against black American people. Although the supreme court imposed the Civil Rights Movement in 1960, it aims to give black Americans rights and eliminate police violence against black Americans. However, racial discrimination still exists and oppresses black American people.

The Hate U Give as a whole depicts the lives of white people and black people separately. In Williamson, white people live a decent life. Meanwhile, black people live in deplorable conditions in Garden Heights. This novel portrays negative stereotypes against black American people in Garden Heights. Black people are considered the most dangerous humans and need to be avoided. It shows that racism still exists, meaning that white people always adhere to strong racial values to treat black people in discrimination.

The impact of racial discrimination experienced by black Americans has caused some kind of suffering and harm to several aspects of their lives. First, black people do not get access to good education in the area they live in Garden Heights. It happened because the United States education system has been designed to maintain the stereotype of white people who think black people do not deserve an education. Many black people depicted in the novel do not get a diploma and cannot continue their college education.

Second, in a decent job, the lack of opportunities to find a decent job because many American corporate did not accept black people for jobs. Therefore, most of them choose to become drug dealers to survive. The influx of drugs is also one of the

systems that have been designed to destroy the black people in Garden Heights and make them living in persistent poverty.

I also find other forms of racial discrimination through police brutality and the absence of law enforcement. In *The Hate U Give*, black Americans have no legal protection described in the novel, when white police killed Khalil. This case became the impetus for the birth of a justice movement in which police brutality has taken a person's life and forms of human rights violations. Besides that, I also find that white police use power to oppress black American people; black police to do the same way against their people. It shows that racism is rooted systemically in the American police department.

In this case, the author of this novel uses a literary work to depict black American people's social condition. She expresses her own experiences as a black American. She describes how difficult it is for a black American to get justice. The analysis results show that equal rights and opportunities are still difficult for black Americans to get it. *The Hate U Give* can be seen as part of the resistance against racial discrimination in America.

First, it shows the struggle to get a good education. We know that education is the key for someone to get a decent life in the future. In the novel, we can see through Starr's parents' struggles, who try to send Starr, Seven, and Sekani to Williamson School so they could access good education like white children. Starr's parents believe that there are equal opportunities for them to get a good education. Starr's parents used that condition to motivate Starr, Seven, and Sekani to continue their education to higher education.

Second, the struggle of black Americans to create good work. The novel illustrated the lack of opportunity by large American corporations to provide black

Americans with jobs. It happened because of a negative stereotype that assumes black Americans in Garden Heights are gangsters and drug dealers. Through the characters, Big Mav and Mr Lewis, which they are trying to create good work such as opening a barbershop and supermarket in their environment, Garden Heights, means not all black people work as drug dealers.

In the end, after analyzing the novel *The Hate U Give*, I concluded that racial discrimination against black American people is the most significant problem still emerging in modern society today. This novel describes a social condition in which racial discrimination against black Americans always occurs. In conducting this research, I have found that issues of equal opportunity are still complicated in America. Such conditions underlie the emergence of the novel *The Hate U Give*. Besides, the most crucial case is police violence that oppresses black American people until today. Through Thomas's racial representation in *The Hate U Give*, the importance of a struggle is to end oppression. By conducting this research, I hope that this research will help future researchers who also want to discuss racial discrimination.

