

CHAPTER I INTRODUCTION

This chapter presents the background of the research, statement of research problem, objectives of the research, significance of the research, scope and limitation of the research, and definition of key terms

A. Background of the Study

Human life always closely related to society, of course there are many values that must be learned to achieve a comfortable and prosperous life. One thing that needs to be learned is moral values. In social life, moral values are used as the determinant of a person's attitude. Moral values can be defined as a term in logic that a principle or action or human character is right or wrong and good or bad views about the good and bad of human actions and character. According to Berterns (2002), moral values include a person's actions. This means that an assessment of whether a person is good or bad can be seen from his behavior. People with good attitude and character will be judged as good people in social life. Then people with bad and immoral attitudes will be judged as bad humans in social life.

Moral values are very important to be taught from an early age because moral values can be a guide for them to carry themselves in social life. Moral values provide examples of good attitudes and culture, which are inspired by people's behavior. There are two things that need to be learned, first, learning moral values can help humans build good relationships between people. Moral values can also be the basis for a person to develop in life. Second, it can increase a person's sensitivity to perceive implicit values and information. By

understanding moral values, a person can be more emotionally intelligent. Moral values can also reflect a person's character and spirituality.

Learning moral values is able to bring positive values to a person, so that they are sensitive to problems related to social life and encourage good behavior. There are so many sources that can be used to teach someone about moral values, one of that is movie. Movies are no longer a novelty in people's life, and they are in high demand among people of all ages. The movie itself is regarded as a highly effective medium for communicating a message. The moral lesson, in particular, appears to make the movie's material more remembered. Exploration in developing movies with various components may make the movie an enjoyable thing to watch as well as make it easier for the audience to absorb the information and messages to be conveyed through the video.

Movies have interesting stories aimed at providing entertainment and satisfaction for the audience and getting them involved in the story. Movies can tell a variety of stories, whether they are true or not. Fiction movies, according to Himawan Pratista (2008), are movies whose stories are the result of the author's invention or idea of a tale that does not occur in real life. Even though fiction movies are made up, they are constructed as if they were genuine. To create a story that can be accepted by the audience's logic, the author will determine cause and consequence.

Of course, every movie has a director who oversees the production. The director envisions the necessity for a script and converts it to an audiovisual

medium. Each movie is treated differently by the director, who has their own ideas on how to translate the screenplay into images. The moviemaker can create the ambiance and tone he wants based on the story's requirements.

In addition to the director, each movie has moral values in its storyline. Moral values can bring benefit for people who watch the movie. Moral value is a message, or a lesson can be learned from the story, scene, or event. According to Wibawa (2013: 173), moral values can be used as a reference norm for a person or a group of people to determine whether the attitudes and actions are good or not. In real and social life, moral has important role. It can maintain relationship between everyone in society. Good moral message will bring good attitude. So, that's why learning moral values is important because moral value can influence people attitude and it can also be a foundation to people thrive in life.

Researcher interested to choose *The Green Mile* movie because this film contains a moral message to the audience. This film tells about John who is accused of being a rapist and murderer of a little girl. John is someone who is tall and has black skin and looks scary so that people believe that John is a bad person. But in reality John is a soft-hearted person and has supernatural powers that can heal the sick. Seeing the kindness of John Coffey, all residents of Green Mile did not believe that John had killed anyone, but in the end John was still sentenced to death because at that time racism and regression in Louisiana were still high.

There were some previous studies that related with this study. The first previous study was conducted by Eraka P. Bath and Stephen Bates Bilick

(2001), from journal of the American academy of psychiatry and the law online. They use library study to describe *Race and spiritualism: facing death row- a movie review of the green mile*. Second the study was done by Risma Amanda (2020) with the title An analysis of Moral Value in “The Karate Kids” Movie. Based on results of the study, it can be concluded that “The Karate Kid” movie is contains several moral value to inspire the audience, there are courage / bravely, peace ability, self-reliance and potential, self-discipline and moderation, loyalty, respect, love, kindness and friendliness, justice and mercy.

Third the study was done by Naina Ayu Riski Ullifatul Laily (2020) with the title An Analysis of Moral value in “The Lion King” Movie. In this study, the writer focuses on the analysis of moral value in “The Lion King” movie. It concludes with two types of moral values. There are the value of being and the value of being. In the value of being, there are some values such as; Honesty, Bravery/courage, Peace ability, Self-reliance (confidence) and potential, Self-discipline, and moderation. In the value of giving, there is some value such as; Loyalty and Dependability (Trustworthy), Respect, Love and Affection, Sensitive and Not Selfish, Kindness and Friendliness, Justice (fair) and mercy (humane).

The next study was done by Surati (2021) with the title *An Analysis of Moral Value In “The Pursuit Of Happiness” Movie*. She found 10 moral values on that movie, those are honesty, courage, peace ability, independent and potential, self discipline and moderation, loyalty, respect, love, kind and friendly,

and justice and mercy. The next study was done by Muhammad Riza Warizia (2020) with the title *An Analysis of Moral Massage In Sherlock Holmes Movie "The Hounds Of Baskerville"*. She found 10 moral values on that movie, those are honesty, courage, peace ability, self-reliance and potential, discipline and moderation, loyalty and dependability, respect, love and affection, kindness and friendliness, and justice.

And the last study was done by Indah Cahyani (2017) with the title *An Analysis of Moral Massage in "The philosopher" Movie*. It's proved that she found some moral values in movie such as, kindheartedness, discipline attitude, loyalty, strong believe, self-confidence, and honesty.

The researcher found the gap from this study with several studies. However, the previous study have different focus and different object. Therefore, the current study only analyzes the moral values, the dominant moral value, and the educational values in the movie. The object of those previous studies also have different each other. Surati (2021) used *The Pursuit of Happiness* movie, then Muhammad Reza (2020) used *Sherlock Holmes* movie, and Indah (2017) used *The Philoshoper* movie. Then, on this research the different focus is on moral values in *The Green Mile*. Moral values are often one or the same. But moral values are based on perceptions of right and wrong, whereas social values may also include ideas about things being socially acceptable. Social values are often based on things like majority rule and tradition.

also can take it and do it in their life. Social value is important, because as social beings need to know what the social values are. Social value can also teach us to respect each other, it will create peace and unity as a result of the social process. The other wonderful result of social value is the creation of diversity in human life, getting to know more than one or two different tribes, religions and cultures, and helping one another. People who have good social, they will have a good life, because in the truth, humans are social beings.

The Green Mile movie tells about the life of a character who is black and has special abilities, which can cure a disease. The conflicts that occur in the movie are presented tightly to cause disturbing feelings in the main character. The setting of the story in this movie is inside a prison, where the main character will be executed for murder. Reason why researcher chose the green mile movie is because this movie tells about racism, contains supernatural elements, and the moral message contained in it is very touching. Where even though the main character is judged by all white people, he still helps people regardless of race or difference, and this can be used as a guide for everyone to keep doing good to anyone even though they have been hurt. With the results of this analysis, the author hopes that everyone will be touched and act decisively against the current bullying culture.

Based on the backgrounds also the definition above, the researcher interested in conducting research about analyzing moral values in the movie. The researcher carries out the research with the title “**Moral Values in *The Green Mile Movie***”.

B. Formulation of Research Question

In this research the writer would like to focus on the following problems:

1. What types of moral values are found in “The Green Mile” movie?
2. How are the moral values reflected in “The Green Mile” movie?

C. Purpose of the Study

Based on those problem statements, the objectives of the study are:

1. To define the types of moral value in “The Green Mile” movie.
2. To recognize the moral values reflected in “The Green Mile” movie.

D. Significance of the Study

The result of this research is expected to give two kinds of benefits. The benefits of

this study are as follows:

1. Theoretical benefits

This study is expected for the reader to enrich their knowledge about type of moral value in “The Green Mile” movie.

2. Practical benefits
 - a. For students

Student can improve their knowledge and experience through movies. Hopefully, this study is expected to provide a better understanding of moral value found in The Green Mile Movie and also can be used as an example of how important it is to learn moral value in social circumstances. It can be useful especially to informal learning, because most people like watching movies, this paper

guidance to enrich the comprehension about social value to decide the movie is appropriate for their children or not.

b. For the readers

The researcher hopes that this thesis have benefits for readers so they can get knowledge of moral values in this movie

c. For the next researcher

The writer expects that this study will contribute to the development of literary study, especially for people who are interested in the literary study. Moreover, for the other researchers, this study can be an inspiration and secondary data to the other researcher who interest to conduct study about social moral values in others movie so there will be many movies analyzed and many values gotten and applied.

E. The Scope and Limitation of the Study

The focus of this study is on moral value principles. While the scope of this study is confined to an examination of the movie *The Green Mile*. Because researchers want the conversation to be more particular and focused, they have limited the problem to the social moral ideals of *The Green Mile* movie. The subject of the research was the analysis of moral values in *The Green Mile* movie. The object of the research was the analysis of *The Green Mile* script. This research was in the form of a literature study by viewing and analyzing the movie.

F. Definition of Key Terms

The author provides clarification of key terms as a limitation of this research.

1. Moral

According to Ateng (2021) Moral is principles of behavior in accordance with standards of right and wrong and Morale the degree of mental confidence of a person or group, sprit of optimism. Morality is a part of who we are. People can live in harmony in the world if they can keep their morality under control. While moral values are the messages or lessons that can be learned from a tale or an event. Readers, listeners, and watchers can all develop moral principles. Moral principles are typically ingrained in children since they are frequently employed as rules in social situations. situations.

2. Movie

Movie is a work of art in the form of a series of live images that are played to produce the illusion of moving images that are presented as a from of entertainment.

3. The Green Mile movie

The Green Mile movie is a 1999 American drama movie directed by Frank Darabont, and adapted from the 1996 novel of the same name by Stephen king. The movie is told in a 'flashback' format and stars tom hanks as paul edgecomb and Michael Clarke Duncan as john coffey with a supporting cast including david morse, bonnie hunt, and james

Cromwell. This movie tells the story of Paul's life as a prison warden on death row during the great depression happened in the United States.