

## CHAPTER V

### CONCLUSION AND SUGGESTION

#### A. Conclusion

After analyzing the previous chapter, the author found that bad experiences in the childhood are the root of psychological problems that will arise when a person becomes an adult. As happened in the novel *Darling Rose Gold*, the character of Patty Watts had a mental illness called Munchausen syndrome by proxy. Based on the data analysis obtained from the novel, the author concluded as the following:

1. The symptoms of Munchausen syndrome by proxy that was suffered by Patty Watts are fabricating physical or psychological illness towards Rose Gold, showing Rose Gold as being terminally ill to other people, deceiving the other people to gain many benefits, Patty Watts' behavior was similar with delusion, and the fabrication of illness happened for eighteen years.
2. The causes that make Patty Watts suffered Munchausen syndrome by proxy are having another psychological problem such as claustrophobia, being beaten for years and receiving no love by her parents when she was a child, losing her older brother who died by suicide, having marital problems, and lacking of knowledge about how to raise a child.
3. The impacts that were caused by Patty Watts who suffered Munchausen syndrome by proxy are affecting herself by being imprisoned and not being able to live a normal life afterward, affecting Rose Gold because she had the

possibility of inheriting her mother's mental illness, and affecting the environment because this mental illness was considered taboo for society so that discrimination was unavoidable.

## **B. Suggestion**

After analyzing and giving conclusion, the author would like to deliver suggestion as the following:

### **1. For the author**

Through this research, the author has gained an understanding of human psychological condition, especially the main character in the novel. This research is far from perfection, so the author hopes further research can be better.

### **2. For the other researchers**

The author expects that there will be the other researchers who interested in conducting research about Munchausen syndrome by proxy case. Hopefully, this research can be a guidance and reference for the other researchers.

### **3. For the readers**

The author hopes that the readers can understand about the case of mothers with Munchausen syndrome by proxy better through reading this research. This research is expected to be an information for the readers, especially parents in order to prevent the possibility of this case happens in real life.