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5.1 Summary

Through the discussions in the previous chapters, the writer finally finds out that every human beings has his own problems of life because of his attempts in reaching his goals. However, the portion of the problems and their consequences are different from person to person. Besides, everyone has his own way to overcome his problems, such as thinking rationally, asking help from someone, or having such an annoying attitude to hurt others in order to release the emotions like what Margaret in Cat on a Hot Tin Roof does.

Margaret, who has such attitudes, actually has conflict againsts herself and her environments. She is treated unfriendly by others, even by her own husband. Margaret has been driven by her own emotions. So, she is unaware that she has produced cynical words and done foolish deeds in front of other people. Margaret's
violation of human beings and their nature has given her freedom and power to realize her emotions. But, her overweening feelings and emotions are responsible for her foolish deeds. She repeatedly does the same attitudes which actually create her own problems to hurt other people. Margaret is arrogant and rude to the very end and so every people disliked her. Margaret, whose words and acts are rude, is desolated.

Margaret, who has become desolated in her life because everybody in the plantation home hates and always tries to underestimate her, cannot find peace in her life. That is why Margaret calls the plantation home as a hot tin roof. The atmosphere over the plantation home cannot bear her to live happily and peacefully. Even though Margaret marries Brick Pollit, the man she loves, as her attempts to get love in her life. She fails to find peace in her life because she seeks a better life by defeating the heritence after Big Daay’s death. Worse, she has nobody - no children and no husband’s loves and protections. So Margaret struggles to do everything alone. She uses her own way to reach her goal including attacking, hurting others, and opposing others.
Looking through the entire life of Margaret, the writer concludes that Margaret’s life is painful. The conditions of being childless, lonely, and desolated by others influence her attitudes.

Coming to the end of the discussion, the writer comes to the final point: What is Tennessee Williams really communicating to the reader about human kind? By showing the character of Margaret who struggles to get loves, cares, attentions, and heritences as well, Williams is telling about one’s self. Margaret and other characters in *Cat on a Hot Tin Roof* can be seen as moral reflectors. Margaret’s desires has forced her to do harmful things to other people as well as herself.

The writer thinks that Williams wants to remind the reader to recall that those qualities are actually part of every human kind.

5.2 Suggestion

Studying literature can increase our knowledge of vocabularies, sentence patterns, new proverbs, and also the way of thinking of the various characters in a
story. Besides, it can also improve the reading comprehension ability because by reading a literary work, someone will be encouraged not only finding information but also grasping the meaning beyond the story as well.

Hopefully, by reading this thesis, the reader will get some important illustrations about human kind with the problematic experiences in facing life realities. We cannot escape from realities even though it is painful and requiring much exertions but we can learn from realities to decide what is the best part for our life.

This thesis hopefully encourages other students of the English Department of Widya Mandala to dig the literary world deeper because it presents a wide dimension of life, love, and realities of human kind.

Finally, the writer would like to suggest to all the readers of this thesis to shape the awareness of beauty of literary works.
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