CHAPTER 3

ANALYSIS

In the previous chapter, it has been explained that experience can happen and come into everyone's life. It can stimulate or touch human consciousness to do what he should do as he faces. In *Gone Girl*, Nick is a main character and he is a husband who has problems in his household. It is an experience for Nick that his wife disappears in their fifth wedding anniversary. In Nick's reality, Amy's disappearance makes Nick confused, his thought is chaotic because he fears of his wife's disappearance. He also asks in his mind what the cause of Amy's disappearance is. Then, he does a search for the loss to know the chronology and his perception toward it.

This chapter contains the analysis of the data used to answer the statement of the problems raise in this study. To determine the chronology of Amy's disappearance, this study analyzes plot, because plot is an event that builds the story itself. In the plot, we will know the marriage experience between Nick and Amy that makes Amy disappears in the fifth anniversary of their marriage, and how Nick's perceptions toward his wife's disappearance that makes Nick's choices to accept his wife when she returns to him till they re-unite.

3.1 Nick's marriage experience with his wife before her disappearance

This Novel tells the story from both of their point of view, Nick and Amy. To analyze Nick's marriage experience with his wife, this study takes from Nick's point of view. It is used to know some of their marriage experience as causes the problem in their household.

a. Gone Girl's Exposition; start from Amy's diary

The start, or exposition, is where the characters and setting are established (Macewan 116). In this part, we know from Amy's diary, she tells about the first time she meets a boy, Nick. Amy is invited by her friend, Carmen, to go to the Brooklyn and comes to Carmen's party with some writers. Amy likes this party, because she is a writer, like her parents also writers (Flynn 23).

"Please don't eat anything in that area,' he says. It is him (bum bum BUMMM!), but I don't yet know it's him (bum-bum-bummm). I know it's a guy who will talk to me, he wears his cockiness like an ironic T-shirt, but it fits him better. He is the kind of guy who carries himself like he gets laid a lot, a guy who likes women, a guy who would actually fuck me properly." (Flynn 26)

Nick's meeting Amy occurs when Amy wants to eat something from the dinner party. Suddenly there is a man who forbids Amy to eat. At first, Amy assumes that he is a philanderer, but after they are talking for a few moments and know that his name is Nick, Amy becomes interested to him. Amy increasingly is attracted to Nick who has a sweet smile. During the party, they are talking about something funny. Moreover, Nick gives attention to Amy without asking. Nick indicates that Amy really like him. Their meeting is not fluent, because after meeting at a party they lose communication for several months. Nick's reason that Amy's phone number in which has been written in paper damaged by the washing machine. When Amy walks in the Seventh Avenue on the West side of the borough of Manhattan in New York City in September, she feels there is a man walking followed her stride. She realizes that is the man who disappeared along

eight months ago, Nick.

"The boy in 'I met a boy!'
I didn't break my stride, just turned to him and said:
a) 'Do I know you?' (manipulative, challenging)
b) 'Oh, wow, I'm so happy to see you!' (eager, doormatlike)
c) 'Go fuck yourself.' (aggressive, bitter)
d) 'Well, you certainly take your time about it, don't you, Nick?' (light, playful, laid-back)
Answer: D

And now we're together. Together, together. It was that easy. It's interesting, the timing. Propitious, if you will. (And I will)" (Flynn 45)

Amy's statement above indicates that Amy is very pleased to meet Nick.

Her question for Nick is an insinuation that Amy really hopes Nick to contact her after getting her phone number. Amy is happy after a long time waiting for news of Nick and they meet again at the right time. Amy likes Nick at the first glance, as well as Nick also likes Amy at the beginning of the meeting. So, they are very happy when they meet again. Amy invites Nick at night of *Amazing Amy and the Big Day* a series book party. She is also introducing Nick to Amy's parents, Rand and Marybeth. They are as a child psychologist and well-known writer. *Amazing Amy* is a literary work written by Amy's parents. Amy explains that her character has been set up by her parents in accordance with the character of Amy in *Amazing Amy*. In the story of *Amazing Amy and the Big Day*, Amy is married to Andy.

"where my parents are in full hosting mode, their faces flushed – Rand with his toothy prehistoric-monster-fish smile, Marybeth with her chickeny, cheerful head bobs, their hands intertwined, making each other laugh, enjoying each other, thrilled with each other – and I think, I am so fucking lonely. I go home and cry for a while. I am almost thirty-two." (Flynn 49)

In a series book party of Amazing Amy, it looks that Amy's parents are

very happy because their book was sold out. *Amazing Amy* tells a fictional character who starts life as a precocious moppet of sixth and is now a thirty-two-year-old who become the bride. Amy's parents really enjoy the party on the success of *Amazing Amy* without thinking about what is being perceived by Amy. From the quote above, it shows that in the life of Amy she feels lonely and sad because she has become a person who perfectly fit in the *Amazing Amy*. The girl is thirty-two-year-old and unmarried, Amy fears because she sees many of her friends who are married, they are unhappy, so she wants the perfect person to be happy. Thirty-two, that is not old, especially not, in New York.

AMY ELLIOTT DUNNE, JULY 5, 2008: Diary entry

"I have found my match. It's Nick, laid-back and calm, smart and fun and uncomplicated. Untortured, happy. Nice.... All the stuff I don't like about myself has been pushed to the back of my brain. Maybe that is what I like best about him, the way he makes me." (Flynn 63)

Amy meets Nick, it makes her no longer feels alone and sad. Love at first sight makes Amy and Nick are married. Statement above shows that Amy becomes a wife. In the 2008 is the first wedding anniversary of Nick and Amy. Amy shows happiness, at first, she does not like to work such as taking care of the household, know she does it. Amy's happiness makes her passionate about something that is not preferred. She starts with a routine activity as a wife and happy. It has been said by Nick also:

"Amy making breakfast. Banging wooden cupboards (rump-thump!), rattling containers of tin and glass (ding-ring!), shuffling and sorting a

collection of metal pots and iron pans (ruzzshuzz!). A culinary orchestra tuning up, clattering vigorously Toward the finale, a cake pan drumrolling along the floor, hitting the wall with a cymballic crash. Something impressive was being created, probably a crepe, because crepes are special, and today Amy would want to cook something special." (Flynn 18)

Nick's explanation shows that Amy is really happy being a wife and pleased with her activities as a housewife. Their marriage happens because they love each other. Their marriage is not compulsion. The quote above shows that they are as new young couple, are very happy. Their marriage in phase of flowers are blooming. All, they are doing homework together, like ranging from painting the house, choosing and arranging home accessories. After marriage, they live in a Brooklyn Brownstone Apartment on Manhattan which is bought by Amy's parents to them from *Amazing Amy*. They are, especially Amy is really happy, all of Nick's treatments really make her happy, at the first.

"Marriage is compromise and hard work, and then more hard work and communication and compromise. And then work. Abandon all hope, ye who enter." (Flynn 176)

They will start a genuine life to construct a household. The condition of their happiness of a wedding trip that makes them have to work hard. For Nick, working hard in any case to face and solve problems in a relationship, his household. They should be done communication and compromise, it means doing the communication between couples, Nick and Amy to determine the agreement in deciding everything so do not blame each other, and hold each other of their own selfishness. Nick is ready to do it, he promises to construct his household work hardly.

b. Gone Girl's Rising Action; Nick's life with Amy after married

"not that hard to find someone to marry, they say. No relationship is perfect, they say." (Flynn 50)

Statement above is said by Amy's parent, it means a lot that someone is busy to search for the perfect partner when married, whereas, no relationship is perfect. It is same as with marriage of Nick and Amy. Although at the beginning of the meeting, Nick assumes that Amy is the perfect girl and also Amy assesses Nick is a perfect boy, and they are equally perfect, but it is still in their relationship will be un-perfect. Their marriage will meet up a little problem up to the bigger problem in which becomes experience in their life to teach each other and make it perfect.

> "Nick and I, we sometimes laugh, laugh out loud, at the horrible things women make their husbands do to prove their love. The pointless tasks, the myriad sacrifices, the endless small surrenders. We call these men the *dancing monkeys*". (Flynn 84)

They often laugh if any husband who is forced by his wife to prove his love in various way for example always pick up his wife. Amy and Nick call the husband who always obey her without meaning is *dancing monkeys* who always do what their boss wants. Hence, either Amy or Nick tries to calm themselves and not to force each other to obey what they want.

"I do not remember any of those conversations. I'm being honest here, I just don't. – the traditional paper presents for the first year of marriage – Amy was not speaking to me. Amy was slipping through the Central Park crowds, Me trying to catch up, grab her arm. She stopped finally, gave me a face unmoved as I explained myself, one mental finger tamping down my exasperation" (Flynn 36)

In their first anniversary, Amy is angry to Nick because he cannot answer the treasure hunt's clue for their first anniversary. Nick shows his annoyed to Amy because he does not get why he needs to prove his love to Amy by remembering the exact same things, same way as she does. For Nick, it does not mean that he does not love his life with Amy if he cannot remember all their moments as the same as Amy remembers. In that time, Nick does not get what Amy's mind.

"Economic recession, the rumors were true: Sixteen writers have been laid off at Nick's magazine. A third of the staff. Nick has been spared, for now, but of course he feels obliged to take the others out to get drunk...... (My friend here just got laid off, he could use a hug) I know we had plans but ..." (Flynn 99)

As a woman and a wife, Amy really wants more attention from her spouse. On the night of their third wedding anniversary in July 5th, 2010, she wants to celebrate with Nick. On the day that they should be happy to celebrate their wedding anniversary, Nick prefers to join with his friends than choosing to accompany his wife to celebrate a third wedding anniversary. Some of his friends has been fired from the company because of economic recession. In mid-2007, the United States *subprime mortgage* crisis and peaked in September 2008, which is marked by the announcement of the bankruptcy of several financial institutions. Beginning of the problems occurred in the period 2000-2001, when the company's stock shares *dotcom*. Dotcom is the company that runs most of its business on the internet in the United States collapsed, so companies that issued these shares are not able to repay the loan to the bank. Consequently, the company where Nick works in there discharged workers, alternately. Therefore, from his friends who has been laid off Nick will spend the night of their third-anniversary

to buy his friends drinks.

"We sit silent for a minute, my stomach knotting. I don't want to be the bad guy here. I don't deserve that. Nick stands up.
'Well, how was it?' I ask dully.
'How was it? It was fucking awful. Sixteen of my friends now have no jobs. It was miserable. I'll probably be gone too, another few months.' Friends. He doesn't even like half the guys he was out with, but I say nothing.
'I know it feels dire right now, Nick. But—'
'It's not dire for you, Amy. Not for you, it never will be dire. But for the rest of us? It's very different.' (Flynn 101-102)

That conversation happens when Nick arrives at home after hanging out with his friends. Amy succumbs to Nick because she wishes to be obedient to her husband. Amy does not want to aggravate situation. Those conversations between Nick and Amy, illustrate the serious problems that arise in their household. Nick and his friends as a husband and also the head of the family is very distressed if they lose their jobs and do not work. They think of responsibility as a head of household who is obliged to provide for family, but they do not have a job. In that conversation, Nick is really distressed on the discharge because he knows that the next round he will be loses his job.

Right on August 23th, 2010, a month after their third wedding anniversary, it is time for Nick, he is laid off from his job as a writer. The effects of the economic recession it makes most workers losing their jobs.

"A few weeks in, the bustling stopped, the usefulness stopped, as if he woke up one morning under a decrepit, dusty sign that read, Why Fucking Bother? He went dull-eyed

He barely shrugs when I tell him I was laid off. Last week.

"That's awful, I'm sorry," he says. "At least you have your money to fall back on." (Flynn 124)

Although he is fired, Nick initially is not too worry because Amy still has a job. Thus, Amy can survive to get what her need is. However, it cannot be planned, no longer after a few weeks Nick looks stress to know that Amy also loses her job. They are in a sad conditions, husband and wife as a couple who do not have a job but must be survive. Their household problems really make Nick depressed.

"I know we are luckier than most: I go online and check my trust fund whenever I get nervous. I never called it a trust fund before Nick did; it's actually not that grand. I mean, it's nice, it's great – \$785,404 that I have in savings thanks to my parents. But it's not the kind of money that allows you to stop working forever, especially not in New York." (Flynn 127)

Quote above indicates that Amy is grateful because her households can survive as long as they are waiting for a new job. Amy has savings from the sale of her parent's *Amazing Amy*. Saving it, it is localized for Amy from her parents as saving money when they need. Nick and Amy are safe because they have savings proficiency level while waiting for the call to work, they can still survive on the trust fund. However, it is despite allegations, Nick and Amy do not feel safe when Amy's parents come home to borrow the trust fund.

"Marybeth starts the pitch: 'We wanted to ask if we could borrow some money from your trust while we figure out what to do with the rest of our lives.....

"Well, the trust fund is your money, so of course you can borrow from it," I say. I just want this to be over; the hopeful look on my parents' faces, I can't stand it. "How much do you think you need, to pay everything off and feel

comfortable for a while?" My father looks at his shoes. My mother takes a deep breath. "Six hundred and fifty thousand," she says.
"Oh." It is all I can say. It is almost everything we have.
"Amy, maybe you and I should discuss—" Nick begins.
"No, no, we can do this," I say. "I'll just go grab my checkbook."
"Actually," Marybeth says, "if you could wire it to our account tomorrow, that would be best. Otherwise there's a ten-day waiting period."
That's when I know they are in serious trouble." (Flynn 128-129)

From the conversation above, Nick and Amy are in a tense situation,

emotion, but not the heart. The amount of money that will be borrowed by Amy's parents is almost of the whole Amy has, it is a \$785.404 and will be borrowed amounted to \$650,000. Nick seems to mind if Amy loans her money to her parents because it is almost from the amount of money that they have but it is impossible if she does not loan the money. Amy's parents are bankrupt, selling of *Amazing Amy* is no longer skyrocketing. They fail to invest so they borrow Amy's money to pay bank. As part of a filial daughter, Amy takes her checkbook and give the money. In that time, Nick is indisposed if Amy does it.

Some weeks Nick and Amy bore to do the routine as the same couple who do not have jobs, they survive depend on Amy's trust funds. Their household circumstances are so complicated, the problem continues come to them. When they are relaxing, suddenly Nick receives a call from his twin sister, Margo. Nick enters the room and leaves Amy alone.

"Nick's cell phone rings at ten a.m., and I can tell by his voice that it is Go.

"My mom," he starts, and sits down. "Shit. My mom has cancer. Stage four, and it's spread to the liver and bones. Which is bad, which is ..." "It's too much for Go, on top of my dad's Alzheimer's." (Flynn 144) Apparently, the conversation is so serious, so Nick has to conceal his talks with Go. After a few minutes, Nick talks the news to Amy. Nick has a serious problem. Go cannot care for her parents alone. Nick's mother's cancer in stage four and her father gets Alzheimer suffered. They are equally need serious care. Then, Nick makes the decision that he must help Go to care for their two parents. One way is to bring Amy moved from his New York goes to Missouri, residence of Nick's childhood. A month on October 16th, 2010 Amy moves to Missouri. That day is a day of celebration of Nick and Amy new home. Actually, they hired a house in Missouri, they do not live with Nick's mother (Flynn 146). A year later after becoming to Missouri, Nick's behavior to his wife changes.

"But I only know that from the glimpses of him coming home or going back out, always in a pretend hurry. *You wouldn't like it*, his standard response any time I ask to come with him, wherever it is he goes." (Flynn 203)

Nick, who should to take care of his mother, is actually enjoying himself.

At one point Amy wants to be with Nick out, but Nick refuses. From Nick's word, *You wouldn't like it*, it means Nick considers that Amy does not like his activities so he forbids Amy to accompany him. Again, Nick's attitude seems that he does not care his wife, he chooses to have fun with his friends rather than his wife.

"Well, now might be the right time. To start a family. Try to get pregnant." I know it's crazy even as I say it, but I can't help myself – I have become the crazy woman who wants to get pregnant because it will save her marriage.

He jerks away from me. "Now? Now is about the worst time to start a family, Amy. You have no job—." (Flynn 267).....

'Just ... No, Amy. Not right now. I can't take one more bit of stress. I can't handle one more thing to worry about. I am cracking under the pressure. I will snap.' For once I know he's telling the truth." (Flynn 268)

In Nick's marriage, he does not have a child. At first, originally Nick wants to have children, however, they do not get it until they try into fertility treatments in order to get a child soon, and have not succeeded. So then, Amy decides does not want to have children. This time, Amy changes her mind because she wants to save her household by means of having a child might be better for her wedding. Amy desire to get pregnant is rejected by Nick. He does not want to have a child. He feels that it is not the right time to have a child. Nick and Amy do not have a job. Nick is afraid if he cannot provide to his wife and children because he has no income. Nick is furious. The desire to have children who should be greeted happily by married couples, do not occur in their marriage. Nick, as a husband, who is really stress because of the pressure of household problems. Before the death of Maureen, in September 2011, Amy wants to fight for her marriage. She believes that her husband can change, Nick will love Amy as before and their relationship is going back. In April 2011, Amy has the idea to give him a surprise but in the same time Nick is cheating with Andie. In The Bar, Nick meets Andie and he accompanies her goes to Andie's apartment (Flynn 213). Unaware, Nick does not know if his wife follows himself with Andie.

In this part seems that the problems are arise in Nick's marriage. Nick and Amy do not have a job beside, Amy's parents come to borrow the money. Nick is very stressed by his household conditions and he also refuses if his wife pregnant because he has no income. Right on fifth-wedding anniversary, Nick goes to *The Bar* to meet his twin sister, Go, who works there. *The Bar* is a bar purchased Nick to his business after being fired, and he turns to Go to keep *The Bar*. Purchasing *The Bar*, he borrows Amy's money at \$ 80,000. Inside *The Bar*, Nick talks to Go right on his fifth-wedding anniversary, he thinks what a treasure hunt is presented by Amy into Nick to find a gift of wedding anniversary. Treasure hunt, a game between Nick and Amy. Amy always doing a treasure hunt in every wedding anniversary to give a gift. That game, Amy give clues that lead to the next clue until he comes to the end user, Nick getting the gift. A few minutes later, Nick gets a call from Carl, his front neighbor. Carl reports that Nick's house conditions unusually occur in his house, his pet Bleecker is outside the house with the door open. Carl intends to examine, but his condition cannot to do it. Soon, Nick left *The Bar* to the home to check the state of his house. For a few minutes, Nick comes to his house (Flynn 40).

When Nick arrives at home, he is filled with fear. He calls his wife's name while looking at all parts of the condition of the house. The conditions are messed up, he finds the door opened, iron is still hot, and the water heater is still on, and the living room is also all over the floor. The state of a living room cluttered as happened a dispute at Nick's home. Nick runs to the river, because he has met his wife there but for the moment she is not there. In fact, when he wakes up in the morning he sees his wife making crepe for special breakfast (Flynn 18). Now, his wife is disappeared, he loses his wife (Flynn 42-43).

c. *Gone Girl's* Climax: Nick finds clues of treasure hunt game; Nick knows the causes of his wife's disappearance.

This is a part of the story that makes the reader want to know what is going to happen next and all of the major action in the story comes to a head. Amy's disappearance in *Gone Girl* makes Nick suppress, where his wife disappeared is. Immediately, Nick calls the police to conduct an investigation into his wife's disappearance. As a form Nick's effort to find the whereabouts of his wife.

While waiting for the police comes, anxiously, Nick tries to call his wife hopely she calls him back if there is no answer because it has always done by Amy. Right on the fifth-anniversary of their marriage in July 2012, Nick gets an experience that he loses his wife. Nick worries about his wife when he sees the condition of his house a mess because Amy is never un-completing the job when she will go on. For Nick, that conditions unusuall done by his wife, Amy always finishes her job (Flynn 52-53). Arriving at home, the police immediately check the condition of the Nick's house and Nick directs into some parts of the house are messed up, such as pointing to the living room, one of them. The police do not do the job alone. Soon will come the two detectives to investigate the case because of Nick's problems to be taken seriously so it takes detectives to analyze and find evidence of a crime if it happens. Shortly thereafter, come the two detectives, Rhonda Boney and Gilpin. They are looking around the house and asking for an explanation as well as some statements from Nick.

"The news reports would show Nick Dunne, husband of the missing woman, standing metallically next to his father-in-law, arms crossed, eyes glazed, looking almost bored as Amy's parents wept." (Flynn 97)

Media immediately, makes the news of Amy's disappearance. Nick is accompanied by Go and his parents-in-law, Rand and Marybeth, they are doing press conferences. The press conference shows that they want to find Amy and reunited back with the family. This conference is the first Nick Dunne's attempt to find his wife. The day after the loss of Amy, a detective Gilpin finds the envelope, FIRST CLUE. The first clue discovery makes Nick think hard, what really happened to his wife because Amy does treasure hunt game in every wedding anniversary, they always lead to the important experience anything that has occurred in their household for a year and the incidence of what makes her happy.

At the first hint, Amy portray herself as a student of a handsome teacher, Nick (Flynn 110). Nick knows where the place is. Post-fired, Nick works as a lecturer in a college. Nick teaches journalism magazine. Viewing the contents of first clue, quickly Nick could guess that the first clue leading to the office where Nick works. Nick thinks that the treasure hunt this year quite easily because Nick quickly to guess it. The two detectives are soon ushered Nick lead to the office where he works as a lecturer. Arriving at the office, Nick finds the envelope on his desk. A clues for the envelope lead to the next place and Nick will finding the next clue until he finds a gift.

In the last clue, he can guess that the prize is wood, it can be an antique cradle from the keywords *Store goodies for anniversary five*, the prize is made of wood and wood stored in the warehouse and the word *punished*, he recalled that punishing someone likened to bring someone to the woodshed (Flynn 305). Nick convinces his own self that the prize is in the woodshed, the location is behind of Go's house. Nick quickly rushed to go to the woodshed to find a prize of the treasure hunt.

"It read: *The beginning of a wonderful new story, Nick!* '*That*'s the way to do it!' Enjoy.

I collapsed on the couch, my body a dull throb. Go played secretary. 'Oh my God. Duh! They're Punch and Judy dolls. Nick! We're idiots. That line, that's Punch's trademark. *That's the way to do it*!'' (Flynn 321)

Nick finds a gift, it is a couple dolls, Punch and Judy. The story, Mr. Punch kills his child, then murders Judy when she discovers the crime. Then, he goes on to encounter other obstacles, including a police officer, a doctor, a hangman, and even the devil, and similarly beats all of them to death with a club. The tagline for the story is. *That's the way to do it*, which Punch utters every time he literally gets away with murder and overpowers even law enforcement and death. The person getting away with murder in *Gone Girl*, though, is Amy—or Judy, instead of Punch. Besides, the obvious similarities with the story she crafts though, Amy has other reasons for picking Punch and Judy as a metaphor. Throughout his life, Nick has gotten away with a lot just because he is good looking and a mama's boy. While he does not attempt to murder Amy or abuse her in any way, by dragging her to Missouri, distancing himself from her, and having an affair, he might as well have as far as Amy's concerned.

On the eight-day after Amy's disappearance, Tanner meets Nick and Go. Nick disclose all the clues of treasure hunt, he puts on the kitchen table and it is like awful tarot-card reader for Nick. Tanner asks him to tell all the fact and reality that he experienced. Nick must convince to Tanner that of all the stories he does not lie. Before he starts, Nick tries to calm himself to collect all the memories (Flynn 354). From the first clue until the last clue he explains to Tanner about the keyword which is known by him based on his experience. A gift is found by Nick in the woodshed make he knows that Amy is stay alive. Then, Nick concludes that Amy's disappearance by herself.

"Amy would want one of two things: for me to learn my lesson and fry like the bad boy I was; or for me to learn my lesson and love her the way she deserved and be a good, obedient, chastised, dickless little boy." (Flynn 415)

Nick always thinking why Amy does it all. She's disappearance by her own plan with the aim to give Nick a lesson on the affair or giving lessons to love her as she wants, so, Nick can follow all the Amy's desire. Nick convinces that his wife stills alive and able to find out where his wife is. *I will find you, Amy* lovesick words but hateful intentions (Flynn 321). Nick is really in the top of his annoy to his wife.

d. *Gone Girl's* Falling Action: Nick's effort; his hope that Amy come back to home.

This is a part of Nick convinces that Amy's disappearance is planned by herself to punish him, he tries several ways for her to return home. Tanner, Nick's lawyer has a plan. Nick should be done an interview with Sharon Schieber (Flynn 431). Sharon Scheiber is a famous TV show, it is always serve a criminal news. Tanner wants Nick to do an interview that very carefully and take a few practices. *"Oh, that sounds simple," I said. "One hundred percent canned yet totally genuine." (*Flynn 432*).* It means that the interview is a Nick's expectation in order to his wife come back. However, it is not a real hope and also a sincere apology over the affair is conducted by Nick, it just feeds to Amy. Nine days from Amy's disappearance and she does not found. On the other hand, in that interview Nick also has to go to confession, telling about his affair with Andie, although for the first-time Nick does not want to admit it in front of the public, but he should be done it to make his wife come back.

During the interview, Nick does a secret code for a few seconds. A secret code that only for Nick and Amy (Flynn488). That code is the index finger in the cleft of the chin. For them, it means that if one of them do that, they do not lie and swear that what is said by them is true. In the interview, Nick admits his guilty has affair with Andie, Nick chooses the wrong path. The purposes other than apologize and admit his guilt, hopefully he wants his wife come back. He wants to open a new chapter to repair their household, he would make up for all the mistakes and turn out to be the best husband for his wife (Flynn 462-463)

"It really is true. It took this awful situation for us to realize it. Nick and I fit together. I need to get home to him." (Flynn 490)

Having seen Nick does a secret code, Amy confuse what does by Nick is genuine or fake. However, as a wife who also expect household can be happy again, Amy believed in Nick. She also wants to rebuild her household which is mess. For Amy, something bad in the household should be happened. It will make the actors to do a self-introspection for themselves and realize that Amy and Nick fit together. Nick's trap with a secret code is successful. Amy decides to go back to the house and along with Nick, re-build their shatter households because Nick's infidelity, mainly.

e. *Gone Girl's* Resolution or Denouement: Amy back to home, back to her husband, Nick, and then they are re-united.

"capitulation, complete. You are right and I am wrong, always. Come home to me (you fucking cunt). Come home so I can kill you." (Flynn 499)

On the fourteenth days, Nick does not get Amy back. In his mind, he wants to kill his wife. Nick is furious with his wife's treatment who has been trapped him, Amy's disappearance is planned by herself. On the other hand, the instructions of a treasure hunt that made by Amy directs to the detectives that Nick kills her. So, all media are cornering to Nick that he is a murderer of his wife but for Nick, treasure hunt's clue that leads to infidelity, Nick's cheating. Nick is furious to learn that his wife set him up for her disappearance. So, he wants to kill her.

For few days, Nick is waiting for news about his wife. Exactly at forty days Amy's disappearance, at the time Nick is at home alone, he hears the sound of journalists a bit crowded in front of his house. Nick's bell home is sounded and someone who continues to call the name of Nick. He opens the door to find out what is going on outside his house. After he opens the door, Amy is standing in front of his house. Amy finally return home to meet her husband. *"I opened the door. It was my wife. Back."* (Flynn 512).

The return of Amy is in tatter conditions, her body covered in blood, her hair is a mess, her face and ankle is bruised as marks of severe torture. Amy is sobbing in the arms of Nick. Nick takes his wife enter to home, in the home Amy tells to Nick that she has been kidnapped by Desi, her ex-boyfriend. Right on their fifth wedding anniversary she admits that Desi suddenly comes into her house to force Amy to come with him so the wrestling going on at home, and Desi manages to kidnap her. She is raped and got abuse by Desi.

3.2 Nick's perception toward his wife's disappearance

This part is a form of Nick's perception towards his wife disappearance. Nick's experience as the subject who faces his wife's disappearance as an object to be an event that occurs in his household. It makes Nick's consciousness must do something to solve his problem for his household or still let his wife disappears. It makes Nick confuses and he is always thinking about his wife. In phenomenology, someone who is conscious of something, it means that Nick as subject is in the moment of thinking, and the thought about his wife's disappearance is "an object" which called Husserl as intentionality (192). It means, Nick is in the intention of understanding his wife's disappearance, in which each individual has the experience of objective side is *noema* and subjective side is *noesis* (Husserl 257). Therefore, before analysis Nick's intentionality, part of *noema* and *noesis* are needed to know. These are some factors of Nick's perception toward his wife's disappearance based on his experience.

a. Nick loses his job and irresponsibility

The effects of the economic recession it makes most workers losing their jobs. Finally, Nick also loses his job as a writer a month after their third wedding anniversary.

".....Some of it's tiny stuff: He changes watch batteries and resets clocks, he replaces a pipe beneath our sink and repaints all the rooms we painted before and didn't like. Basically, he does a lot of things over." (Flynn 123)

As a jobless, Nick does little things to help Amy care of the housework. Nick does it all to fill the empty time after loses a job. However, it is impossible continues to be done by Nick.

"Two jobless grown-ups, we spent weeks wandering around our Brooklyn brownstone in socks and pajamas, ignoring the future, strewing unopened mail across tables and sofas, eating ice cream at ten a.m. and taking thick afternoon naps." (Flynn 16)

After Nick is laid off from his job as a writer three weeks after that, his wife also loses her job. During he does not have a job, Nick becomes irresponsibility husband. He spends his time just for relaxing and ignoring his household's future. Nick feels that he is an idiot who lost his job, everything that he does always wrong in his wife's eyes because he does not have a job (Flynn 211). In other hand, Nick uses a credit card for hanging out with friends to get drink which is connect with Amy's bank accounts, automatically, money is used by Nick is the property of Amy.

FIRST CLUE, NICK DUNNE, one day gone:

I picture myself as your student, With a teacher so handsome and wise...... (Flynn 110)

The first clue is found by Nick while his wife disappears lead to a place. It makes Nick think hard which is called *noesis* of what really happened to his wife because Amy does treasure hunt game in every wedding anniversary. They always lead to the important experience anything that has occurred in their household for a year and the incidence of what makes her happy. At the first hint which has role as *noema* is Amy portray herself as a student of a handsome

teacher, Nick. He knows where the place is based on Nick's experience as a lecturer. Post-fired, Nick works as a lecturer in a college. Nick teaches journalism magazine. Viewing the contents of first clue, quickly Nick can guess that the first clue leading to the office where Nick works. He thinks that Amy is happy because Nick has a new job thus, his office becomes a clue. Nick's hunch the treasure hunt this year quite easily because he quickly to guess it.

b. Irresponsive; Nick's behavior changes to Amy

"My friend here just got laid off, he could use a hug I know we had plans but ..." (Flynn 99)

On the day that Nick should be happy to celebrate third wedding anniversary with his wife, Nick prefers to accompany his friend who had been fired than his wife. Some of his friends had been fired from the company because of economic recession. Therefore, from his friends who has been laid off Nick will spend the night of their third-anniversary to buy his friends drinks, in the reality he will be regarded as a kind-hearted and caring friend if he could to do it.

"He sat down on our ottoman and glanced at the present on the table and said nothing. I stared at him back. He clearly wasn't going to even graze against an apology – *hey, sorry things got screwy today*. That's all I wanted, just a quick acknowledgment." (Flynn 101)

Nick comes home in the morning. The quote above shows that Nick's treatment completely irresponsive to their third wedding anniversary. In fact, Nick never utters apologize to Amy.

A year later after becoming to Missouri, Nick, who should to take care of his mother, is actually enjoying himself. *You wouldn't like it* (Flynn 203). It is standard Nick's response any time if his wife asks to come with him, wherever it is he goes. At one point Amy wants to be with Nick out, but Nick refuses. It means that Nick considers that Amy does not like his activities. So, Nick forbids Amy to accompany him. Again, Nick chooses to have fun with his friends rather than his wife, Amy. Nick seems that he is very irresponsive to his wife.

"A candlelight vigil would be held this evening in Tom Sawyer Park.... I'd never known Amy to set foot in the park;". (Flynn 269)

Quote above happens when Amy's disappearance for a week and reportedly she has not been found. In that day is a ceremony of Amy's disappearance, it will be held in the Tom Sawyer Park because that place is Amy's favorite place. Nick utters that he never known that place is his wife's favorite place. Instead, he knows from press. Nick is a husband who does not know of his wife's favorite place, he is really irresponsive to his wife.

c. Lie and infidelity; Nick has an affair with Andie

Post-fired, Nick works as a lecturer in a college. In his new job, he meets Andie, a girl of twenty-three-year-old. She is Nick's student, a student majoring in journalism magazine.

"I don't (didn't?) like cheaters: dishonest, disrespectful, petty, spoiled. I had never succumbed. But that was back when I was happy. I hate to think the answer is that easy, but I had been happy all my life, and now I was not, and Andie was there, lingering after class, asking me questions about myself that Amy never had, not lately." (Flynn 211)

That quote shows, Nick is a loyal husband. He says that he as faithfully

husband because he is in a happy phase. However, when he is in a phase that is unhappy, while he loses his job which one, it turns out it is difficult to say that he is loyal and honest. Nick requires some attention when he is in a collapse state and the attention it always come from Andie, it makes Nick along with Andie. Nick admits that his relationship with Andie is a long. It is recognized by Nick that the affair happened.

"So, it happened. In a strange, sudden snowstorm in early April. Not April of this year, April of last year. I was working the bar alone" (Flynn 212)

Quote above is Nick's admitted that he has an affair with Andie in the 2011. The incident as same as with Amy's story that she will give a surprise and do something romantic with her husband, however, she sees her husband having an affair with another girl. Whereas, Nick had been a loyal husband, but long ago.

Nick's marriage does not have a child. In fact, Amy wants to get pregnant but Nick always postpone to do it because Nick wants to know that his wife is really wants to get pregnant or not from the pill bottle on the level go down or not (Flynn 409). Other hand, Nick ever refuses if his wife gets pregnant because he does not have a job and his wife also. Nick is afraid if he cannot provide his family because he has no income. A few months, Nick tries to fulfill his wife's desire to get pregnant but the reality, Amy says *no* a simple response to refuse Nick.

"By then I'd already been secretly dating Andie for months, so I had no right to be upset." (Flynn 410)

Quote above shows, that Nick is irresponsive while his wife refuses him. Besides, Nick admits that he has an affair with Andie along ago and he never knows actually, Amy firstly heard of his affair and Amy waited so long honesty, however, it is not done by Nick. Nick conceals the affair more than a year without knowing that Amy already know it. Amy's desire to improve her relationship turned out to be preceded by the arrival of Andie, making Nick increasingly mired

and underestimate his household relationships that should be repaired and

maintained. Nick lies and it threatens his marriage, especially for himself.

d. Ignorantly; Nick gets a treasure hunt's clue which leads to his infidelity.

Nick's wife's disappearance makes him consciousness where his wife is,

and he always thinks about his wife.

"My stomach seized. I didn't know what this one meant. I reread it. I couldn't even guess. Amy had stopped taking it easy on me. I wasn't going to finish the treasure hunt after all." (Flynn 196)

"I ducked my head into my hands and muttered, *Oh God*, *oh God*, and while I was doing it, I saw my wife on the floor of our kitchen, her hands around her belly and her head bashed in." (Flynn 287)

The quotes above is one of the thought of Nick is really thinking about his wife's disappearance. The first quote is part of the thought of Nick which is form of *noesis* because he gets some clues for a treasure hunt game which is part of *noema* when his wife disappears. While the second quote a part of *noesis* is Nick's imagination about his wife in a bad condition after he knows that any some of bloods in the kitchen as a *noema*. Amy's disappearance really makes Nick conscious that he must be understood why his wife disappears.

I need to be **punished**, and by punished, I mean had It's where you **store goodies for anniversary five** A good time was had right here at **sunny midday** Then out for a **cocktail**, all so terribly gay. (Flynn 305)

A week after Amy's disappearance, she is not find. Besides, Nick finds some clues from their treasure hunt game. Start from the first clue until the third clue, Nick can answer where the place is. In the fourth clue, Nick cannot answer it quickly, but some days later he can answer the fourth clue from the keywords of *Store goodies for anniversary five,* he always thinks that the prize is made of wood and wood stored in the warehouse, from the word *punished,* he recalled that punishing someone likened to bring someone to the woodshed so, he can guess that the prize is wood, it can be an antique cradle (305). Nick who thinks about the fourth clue's answer form of *noesis,* while the *noema* is the keywords of *Store goodies for anniversary five* and *punished* from Amy's fourth clue.

"I knew it once I figured out the clue: *woodshed. Midday fun. Cocktails.* Because that description was not me and Amy. It was me and Andie. The woodshed was just one of many strange places where I'd had sex with Andie." (317)

From the quote above is clarified, that the fourth clue Nick truth it leads to the woodshed. Based on Nick's experience, Amy's instructions from *Midday* words, *Cocktails* are an experience with Andie, not with Amy. If all of Nick and Andie then, Nick remembers that the affair often occurs in the woodshed, that is the place they have a sex. Hence Nick increasingly convinces the answer of the fourth clue is a woodshed. Arriving there, Nick finds all the valuables belongings to Nick that there is a gadget in woodshed and some goods, from evidence is found by detectives, the items are brought by a Nick's credit card, whereas, Nick swears that he does not know all of it (Flynn 318). It means, Amy intentionally buy all the stuff in the name of Nick and store it in woodshed. When detectives find the stuff and its as evidence, then, their perception that Nick lies, his wife disappears but he is having fun. After Nick knows that woodshed in the behind of Go's house, he opened the door, he finds a gift, it is a couple dolls, Punch and Judy. His finds a gift of the Punch and Judy is form of *noema* because the dolls make Nick has a *noesis*, it is when he thinks a lot of what actually happens on his wife's disappearance and what the meaning of the gift besides, in the woodshed he finds the valuables belongings to Nick that there is a gadget in woodshed and some goods (318), they also are form of *noema*. From the *noema* of Punch and Judy which is found by Nick, he searches the story of it. The story is Mr. Punch kills his child, then murders Judy. Nick's *noesis* appears, he remembers that he does not want to have a child when Amy wants, and all of the valuables things that it is brought by Amy on the name of Nick. Therefore, Nick judges which is part of *noesis* that his wife is stay alive.

After Nick finds the valuables and his gift in the woodshed, someday later he meets the lawyer, Tanner, and his twin sister, Go. Right on Go's house, Nick gives information to Tanner that his wife is stay alive. He puts all of clues on the kitchen table, it is like awful tarot-card reader for Nick. Tanner asks him to tell all the reality that he experienced, and Nick must convince to Tanner that of all the stories that he is not lying. Before he starts, Nick tries to calm himself to collect all the memories. At the first clue, Nick knows that it is his office. From keyword *And this time I'll teach you a thing or two* (Flynn 356).

"It's pure Amy. I read this, I think: Hey, my wife is flirting with me. No. She's actually referring to my ... infidelity with Andie. Fuck-you number one." "Who knows?" I said. 'I'd assumed they were Andie's, but ... Amy probably just bought them. The main point is they're not Amy's size. (Flynn 357)

It means, the office indicates that Nick does his unfaithfulness with Andie, and his wife is lurking, woe to the first, but Nick is not realized it. After that, in the office is found red underwear, it is in the lead anyone to believe something inappropriate happened in Nick's office with someone who is not Nick's wife because it is not Amy's size, woe is number two. Quote above shows, when Nick reads the first clue, he tries to understand his wife. A clue which leads to Nick's office is form of his infidelity. Based on Nick's experience, he admits that his cheating with Andie and frequently he does his infidelity there. From the first clue, he can answer that the place based on the first clue is in his office which is part of *noema*, after that he remembers and admits based on his experience that his office is a place where he does affair with Andie, it is part of *noesis*.

About your boyhood adventures: crummy jeans and visor hat (Flynn 357)

"Amy and I visited there once, so that's how I read it, but it's also another place where I had ... relations with Andie." (Flynn 358)

The second clue, it leads to the Hannibal, where it is a memory place and it is a *noema*. Then, his *noesis* is based on his experience, Nick admits that in Hannibal it is a memory place not only with Amy, but also the place where Nick has an affair with Andie. Nick knows that it is Hannibal from the keyword of *visor hat*. Based on his experience with his wife *Visor hat* is a joke between Nick and Amy. Nick tells to Amy that he works in there at the summer when he is young and Nick's dressed as Huck Finn with a straw hat and ragged pants. Amy called a straw hat with a *Visor hat*. In that time, he feels to love his wife again, Nick remembers a joke between himself and his wife (Flynn 358), it is also part of *noesis*.

".....Let's take our love to **this little brown house** Gimme some goodwill, you hot lovin' spouse!" "It's yet another place where you fucked this Andie girl" (Flynn 359)

Next, the third clue that the answer is in Nick's father's house, *the little brown house*, as a *noema*. Thus, a *noesis* appears Nick remembers it is also the place where he does sex with Andie. He can answer the third clue based on his experience. Actually, *Little brown house* is Nick's father's blue house. Nick tells to Amy that when the divorce of his parent, Nick rarely meet with his father. His father lives at that little house with blue color. However, since his father suffered from Alzheimer, that house is no longer inhabited because his father is transferred to the orphanage. So, he thinks of his father as one of the characters in the book and the story told to Amy as Mr. Brown. Therefore, Amy calls it *Little brown house* (Flynn 191).

All the clues are made by Amy leads to the place where Nick plays his infidelity with Andie. In accordance with the theory of phenomenology is the process of perception of consciousness as experienced from the first-person point of view, Nick can answer all of Amy's clue based on his experience either with Amy or Andie.

"I said, 'you have to understand one very key thing about Amy: She is fucking brilliant. Her brain is so busy, it never works on just one level. She's like this endless archaeological dig: You think you've reached the final layer, and then you bring down your pick one more time, and you break through to a whole new mine shaft beneath. With a maze of tunnels and bottomless pits."

"The second thing you need to know about Amy is, she is righteous. She is one of those people who is never wrong, and she loves to teach lessons, dole out punishment." (Flynn 355)

Nick explains all, there are two of the most basic things about his wife. First, his wife is very intelligent. When Nick thinks that this is the last thing to do, but still there is no end of the latter. Her thinking is very deep and long-lasting. Second, she is a person who likes to give lessons to others, to punish him when she is hurt or been let down. Nick remember when he and his wife go to the Massachuset, Amy is driving up in a bad traffic conditions there are truckers who flipped Amy off, she will not let him in and then the truck zoom up and cut her off. For Nick, it is really scary for a second. There are signs on the back of trucks: *How Am I Driving*? Amy asked Nick to call to that phone number of *How Am I Driving*? and give the license plate of the truck. Nick was thinking that it was the end of it. But two months later Nick saw Amy phone to the *How Am I Driving*? and repeated the truck's license plate. Then, Amy said that it was her fourth call. She told a fake story on her fake accidents caused by the truck. Even, she observes the company's routes to make sure the highways on her fake accident. She wants the truck driver fired. All of thing are thought by her (Flynn 355).

Therefore, based on his experience, he knows that his wife set him up and punish him for his affair because his wife is a punisher. Nick is furious and does not think it turned out that his wife knows his infidelity. His wife disappearance by her own plan with the aim to give Nick a lesson on the affair or giving lessons to love her as she wants so, Nick can follow all the Amy's desire (Flynn 415). On phenomenology concerns on personal experience included part of individuals who each provide experience with each other. Thus, Nick can answer that clue based on his experience with Amy and also his cheating experience with Andie. The treasure hunt's clue from Amy in which all of clue lead to the place where he does his infidelity with Andie.

Then, who acted as *noema* is Amy's disappearance who gives a role in the treasure hunt's clue. *Noema* and *Noesis* which are shaping Nick's perception toward his wife's disappearance. *Noema* makes Nick always thinking about his wife and trying to understand the clues as he can, it is part of *noesis* because Nick is a subject that is thinking about what actually happens in his experience of his wife's disappearance. After knows a part of *noema* and *noesis*, Nick's intentionality can create his perception toward Amy's disappearance.

3.3 They re-unite after his wife returned

"I heard the seagull cries of a few female news anchors. Something is wrong, I thought. The doorbell rang three times in a row: Nick-nick! Nicknick! Nick-nick! I didn't hesitate. I had stopped hesitating over the past month: Bring on the trouble posthaste. I opened the door. It was my wife. Back." (Flynn 512)

Right on forty days Amy's disappearance, at that time Nick is at home alone, he listens the sound of journalists a bit crowded in front of his house. Nick's bell home sounded and someone who continues to call the name of Nick. He opens the door to find out what is going on outside his home. After he opens the door, Amy is standing in front of his house. Amy finally return home to meet her husband. Firstly, Nick wants to kill Amy but he chooses to receive his wife back to him. These are Nick's reasons why he accepts his wife.

a. Amy's intrigue; valuable things and false diary is made by Amy

"The woodshed was packed with about every gizmo and gadget that I swore to Boney and Gilpin I hadn't bought with the credit cards I swore I didn't know anything about. The insanely expensive golf clubs were here, the watches and game consoles, the designer clothes, they were all sitting here, in wait, on my sister's property." (Flynn 318)

From the quote above that there is a gadget in woodshed and some goods, from evidence is found by detectives, the items are brought by Nick's credit card, whereas, Nick swears that he does not know all of it. It means, Amy accidentally buys it all the stuff in the name of Nick and saves it in woodshed. When detectives find the stuff and it is as evidence, then, their perception that Nick lies, his wife disappears but he is having fun. Hence, Nick will be accused that he knows where his wife is, all the media alleges that Amy's disappearance because Nick kills her, like other cases ever.

"Tell us about your wife's illness these past few months,' he said." "Illness? Amy never got sick. Once a year she'd get a cold, maybe." (Flynn 474)

Quote above is conversation between Nick and detectives. They find a diary is written by Amy. In that diary tells that Amy gets sick after drinks is made by Nick. Detectives show this entry to their medical expert and Amy gets antifreeze poisoning.

"Abuse – you pushed her around. Stress – you were quick to anger. Sexual relations that bordered on rape. She was very frightened of you at the end there. It's painful to read."

"My throat clenched. I felt like I might throw up. Fear, mostly, and then a surge of rage." (Flynn 476)

Quote above shows that diary which is found by detectives tells about Nick, as husband who does a domestic abuse to his wife. Nick feels very furious to his wife. what his wife written on the diary is false and it leads to Nick as abusive husband. *We have it in your wife's own words: I think he may kill me* (478) in other hand, detectives believe that Nick is suspect in the murder of his wife.

b. Amy's intrigue; False pregnant

"Tell me everything, Amy. But first: Was there ever a baby?' The baby was a lie. It was the most desolate part for me. My wife as a murderer was frightening, repulsive, but the baby as a lie was almost impossible to bear. The baby was a lie, the fear of blood was a lie – during the past year, my wife had been mostly a lie." (Flynn 539)

That conversation happens a night of Amy's return. From the quote above clearly that all of happen is lie moreover, false pregnant. It is trick used by Amy to punish Nick. Amy uses symbol of Punch and Judy. Punch kills their baby and then when Judy confronts him, he beats her until death. When Amy wants to have a child, Nick does not want her to be pregnant, while he gets angry and kills her and the unborn baby and Nick is caught and charged with murder meanwhile, Missouri has the death penalty. Amy is giving Nick the narrative of his frame-up (Flynn 325).

c. Amy's threat to Nick

NICK DUNNE, THE NIGHT OF THE RETURN:

"I went to the station to fetch my wife...... All that matters is that Amy is safe. I'd been practicing that line over and over. I had to look like the relieved, doting husband until I knew which way things were going to go." (Flynn 529) On the evening of her return, Nick picks her up at the police station, because Amy is interrogated by the police about the case of her disappearance. Amy tells to police as she explains to Nick that she is kidnapped by Desi. At the time of pick up her, Nick tries to look like a loving husband and gratefully in front of reporters since his wife has returned. Though it all, Nick just pretend.

"Then, too quickly, Amy and I were back in our home, alone in the living room, Bleecker watching us with shiny eyes. Outside our curtains, the lights of the TV cameras remained, bathing our living room in a bizarrely lush orange glow. We looked candlelit, romantic. Amy was absolutely beautiful. I hated her. I was afraid of her." (Flynn 535)

Quote above describes the atmosphere of the Nick's household after the return of Amy. At night, Nick is really hate his wife but he is afraid to his wife because Nick knows that his wife kills Desi. At that time the discussions between Nick and Amy, and Amy tells all the fact that happened. Nick feels that he is trapped by his wife.

"She cocked her head to one side, studied me. 'Nick, I can still do very bad things to you, remember that.' 'Ha! Worse than what you've already done?' She looked surprised. 'Oh, definitely.' 'I doubt that, Amy.' I began walking out the door. 'Attempted murder,' she said. I paused." (Flynn 540)

The conversation above between Nick and Amy, Amy threatens Nick that

Amy can do anything crueler to Nick if he does not behave well towards his wife.

Nick is really stuck by his wife, he doubts that his wife can be nice to him.

"we'll need an affidavit, and you'll need to swear that it was you who

bought the stuff in the woodshed and hid the stuff in the woodshed, and that you did once think I was framing you, but now you love me and I love you and everything is good.'

'What if I refuse?'

She put her hand on her small, swollen belly and frowned. 'I think that would be awful." (Flynn 569)

Quote above shows, Amy forces Nick to make affidavit. Nick retracts any

statement is made by himself concerning on his misplaced belief that his wife

traps him and also ready to admit Nick's role in the credit cards if Nick refuses

clearly, Amy can do anything crueler to Nick.

d. Nick's desire to be better

"Shut up, Amy. I mean it.' 'Just like your dad. We're all bitches in the end, aren't we, Nick? Dumb bitch, psycho bitch.'

He grabs me by the arm and shakes me hard.

'I'm the bitch who makes you better, Nick.' He stops talking then. He is using all his energy to keep his hands at his side. His eyes are wet with tears. He is shaking.

'I'm the *bitch* who makes you a man.'

Then his hands are on my neck." (Flynn 548)

The first night the return of Amy, a quarrel is happening between Nick and

Amy. Nick's attitude toward Amy as Nick's father attitude toward his wife. The

men are in the end always assume that his wife is a stupid bitch. Amy also says

that she is a bitch who can make Nick better, be a husband who is really in charge

and hoping not cheating again. Emotionally, Nick tries to kill his wife.

"Who will I be then? The question wasn't recriminatory. It wasn't like the answer was the pious: Then you'll be a killer, Nick. You'll be as bad as Amy. You'll be what everyone thought you were.....As a man, I had been my most impressive when I loved her – and I was my next best self when I hated her. Amy was exactly right. So maybe there was no good end for me." (Flynn 550)

When Nick tries to kill his wife, his mind think that he will be a more innocent and everyone will condemn him because he kills his wife. He is realized that he should be a man, a husband must love his wife, and he will be a worst if he hates his wife. There will not be a good thing if he chooses to kill his wife.

"it was my responsibility. Just as Amy took the credit for making me my best self, I had to take the blame for bringing the madness to bloom in Amy. Men capable of being uxorious. Men capable of keeping her sane. Amy's story could have gone a million other ways, but she met me, and bad things happened. So it was up to me to stop her. Not kill her but stop her." (Flynn 551)

The quote above shows that Nick is finally realized, he becomes

responsible husband for his wife. What has been done by Nick for infidelity,

primarily, making her stress.

e. Have a child; Amy is really pregnant

Twenty days after his wife returns, Nick knows that Amy is really

pregnant. He looks that Amy does a test on the stick and it appears the pregnant-

blue (Flynn 569).

"Amy was pregnant. 'It's obviously not mine,' I said.

'Oh, it is.' She smiled back. She tried to snuggle into my arms. 'Congratulations, Dad." Then I saw it: the box of tissues, the vinyl recliner, the TV and porn, and my semen in a hospital freezer somewhere. I'd left that will destroy notice on the table, a limp guilt trip, and then the notice disappeared, because my wife had taken action, as always, and that action wasn't to get rid of the stuff but to save it. Just in case.

I felt a giant bubble of joy - I couldn't help it – and then the joy was encased in a metallic terror. (Flynn 569).

Conversation above shows, actually Nick is unconvinced if the embryo in

Amy's body is Nick's child but Amy tries to make sure that it is a Nick's child,

but Nick is still untruth. Nick sees the box of tissues, the TV porn and his semen which is make him remembers something. Nick remembers when he and his wife goes to fertility treatment, his wife forces him in order to get pregnant.

Knowing and remembering that Nick is very happy, his wishes to get a child is answered but he still feels trapped by his wife. In fact, they are re-united but in the reality, he is prisoner of his wife. He wants to save his son and give the best education for his child (Flynn 570).

