

CHAPTER III

THE EFFORT OF HOLLY'S CHARACTER DESCRIBED IN THE NOVEL AND MOVIE AND THE REASONS WHY THE DIFFERENCES HAPPEN

The focus of this chapter is to answer all the statement of the problem in chapter one. This chapter is divided into three parts. First, the study analyzes Holly's struggle based on the novel. Second, the study analyzes Holly's effort based on the movie and third is the study analyzes why the difference happens. The study tries to find some of Holly's effort for live her life after losing her husband. In this analysis, the researcher uses one of the types of intertextuality that is optional intertextuality, because the researcher finds a connection from two texts, and the researcher finds that the director from this movie takes some parts of the novel to appreciate the work of the original author.

3.1 Holly's Effort in The Novel

Before knowing about Holly's effort, the study will tell a little bit about story of the beginning of the novel. Holly is a wife who was left by her husband because tumor is growing inside his brain. Her husband is named after Gerry. They have been married for years yet they do not have children. Holly is very sad when she has to accept the fact that Gerry has died. Holly feels no one would accompany her through the day-to-day, but in this analysis the study tries to find out the effort of Holly in her life after Gerry's death. The

there is no passion to just wake up from her bed moreover for looking for a new job. Since Gerry died, Holly becomes a figure of lazy person.

Holly thinks that Gerry would be very disappointed if he looks at the situation is now like this. That time Holly opened Gerry's letter. It says:

“Shoot for the moon, and if you miss you'll still be among the stars.

Promise me you will find a job you love this time! PS, I love you”

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Holly promised to Gerry that she got a new job which is much more preferred. Holly knows that Gerry wants the best for her that is why Gerry wrote this letter. If Gerry said like that, that is what will happen. Holly is sure that Gerry would accompany her for making Holly's life better though he was not with her.

After reading the seventh letter from Gerry, Holly feels like she gets a new spirit to look for a new job. Indeed, this letter isn't as interesting as the previous one which told Holly to go to Lanzarote, but at least it was one step ahead to get her life back on track. She began to think and to look for a suitable job for herself. Man who is optimistic is man who never gives up to fix his life, these are words made by Holly. She is looking for some jobs and starting to write her own list of possible jobs. Those are FBI Agent, Lawyer, Nurse, Secretary, Journalist, Model and Beautician.

Firstly is FBI Agent, Holly has a plan to work as FBI but Holly thinks whether she really wants it because she is not an American and she does not want to live in America. She also has no police experience. Secondly is Lawyer, she has a plan to become a lawyer but she hated school, hated studying, did not want to go to college for ten million years. The third, she wanted to be a nurse, Holly thought again, she thinks about unflattering uniforms and finally she cancel her planning. Fourth, she also had a desire to become a secretary, but she said “never again”. The fifth is journalist, she feels like she is not that good in writing and making news. Then, Holly thinks about being a model. Holly feels too small, too fat and too old. It got cancelled again and the last list is beautician, but she thought again since she lost Gerry she barely takes care of herself, the one who has an habit for biting the teeth and has no time to do waxing. She does not want to see other people's bodies. She feels confused with she wanted as her job later.

Several times later, she sent her CV to recruitment agency, and she hopes there are several companies that are interested to her. Shortly afterwards, she received a positive response from two companies. Her first interview was for a job selling advertising space for a magazine that circulated throughout Dublin. The second interview was with a leading Irish advertising company and she knew she had absolutely no chance of being employed there, but Gerry had told her to shoot for the moon. After two interviews she went to go back to her house to do relaxing.

Several days later, precisely in the night, she got a phone call from the boss of the leading advertising company in Dublin, he said that Holly is accepted to work on that company.

“Hi Holly,” came the gruff voice. “This is Chris Feeney here from magazine X. I'm just calling to say that I was very impressed with your interview. Em . . .” He stalled a bit. “Well, I wouldn't normally say this on an answering machine, but no doubt you'll be delighted to know that I've decided to welcome you as a new member of the team. I would love you to start as soon as possible, so call me on the usual number when you get a chance and we'll discuss it further. Em . . . Good-bye.” (Page 228)

Holly rolled around her bed in terrified delight. She had aimed for the moon, and she had now landed! Since that time Holly's life began to change for the better. The researcher takes a moral value from this story that is if we want to try there is definitely the result. The result will not betray the effort.

B. By Socializing

When Holly lost a man that she loves, she feels that her life ends. No one else is beside her, no one else can save her, no one else can share with, no one else can guide her, and she feels alone.

all of in the salon done, Holly exits from salon and meets some men glance at her, she feels uncomfortable with this, and she goes to her car fast. She goes to her parent's home across of Portmarnock's land.

Holly meets her family, she has been missing this warm moment to spend the time with family. Here, Holly gets 1 box letters from Gerry from her mom. This letter contains Gerry's wishes to Holly after his death. Declan invites Holly to come to watch his performance with the band at Hogan's Pub. From this place, Holly meets and socializes with other people after just staying at home for 2 months.

Holly started to get out of the house to meet up with her friends after a very long time. She started to visit some places like Bewley's Café, Boutique, newspaper shop, Greast Spoon Café, Lanzarotte, etc. She began to socialize with the surrounding environment that she starts to socialize with the surrounding in which she was thinking that people would mock her and Holly isn't ready for that.

C. Having a New Love

Everyone has true love, so does Holly. Gerry is the true love of Holly, she is very much in love Gerry and no one can replace him. They decided to get married when Holly was young and Gerry was old enough. Holly was the baby of the bunch at twenty-three, the rest were twenty-four. Some said she was too young and lectured her about how, at her age, she should be traveling

“This is a perfect time,” he said seriously. “You already know what I’m going to say to you, Holly, and I *know* you already know how I feel about you.” (Page 302)

Holly was shocked and did not believe when Daniel says that he loves Holly this sudden. Holly immediately leaves Daniel and she does not want to meet him again. Holly is not ready to start a relationship with another man.

As before, Holly received a letter from Gerry that contains Gerry’s advice to Holly for a better life of Holly. Gerry told to stop being afraid to fall in love again and to reach for the moon in the sky. When Holly reads this letter, Holly was crying and her shoulders were shaken violently. Holly is not ready if she should give all of her heart to another man. Honestly, Holly could not hide her feelings to Daniel, who already often give attention to her. Since Holly leaves Daniel, she is missing the time she spent with Daniel for doing a lot of things together.

Sometime later, Holly intends to meet Daniel at the Denise’s wedding. Once, she went to Daniel’s room in a hotel, but when Holly arrived in front of Daniel’s room, it turned out Daniel was with Laura, then Holly left that room and did not see Daniel for few weeks.

Holly and Daniel meet at the dinner table on Denise’s wedding. Daniel told Holly that Daniel was back in relationship with Laura when Holly left him. However later, Daniel meets again with Laura and finally they are back

not easy, because it requires the intelligence of how the process of words in a language that is understandable, so that the reader is easy to make the story in the novel as if it is alive or real. While in the movie, it emphasizes the visual elements of how the images form their own impression and brings the audience to the story that is shown on the screen. Different with novels that relies on the senses of vision to read it, movie does not only rely on the senses of vision, but also the senses of hearing with the attractive picture and clear sound that can be heard by the audience. A good novel or movie is equally the result of the fulfillment of literary appreciation.

In the novel, Holly's effort have been told before, but in the movie, Holly's effort depicted in the novel are added, changed, modified and even reduced as listed below:

A. By working

The fourth of Holly's effort is seen on the job. The researcher finds that story of Holly's job from this movie different from the novel. Because in the novel, Cecelia Ahern as the writer describes that the first job of Holly was secretary and her last job in advertising company as selling advertising, but in the movie, Richard Lagravenese as director changed the story of Holly's job.

At beginning, Holly works as an apartment marketer, her job is offering new or old apartment to the customer. She has been working as an apartment

destination of the holiday is going to the Ireland not to Lanzarotte. Having holiday is one of ways to entertain self. It is planned by Gerry for Holly when she feels lonely because of Gerry's death. Gerry prepares a surprise for Holly that is by giving ticket to go to holiday to Ireland.

In the morning, Holly gets ready to go to post office to take Gerry's letter for her once for a month. Holly cannot wait for knowing what kind of plan that is prepared by Gerry for her. When she opens and reads the letter, she is so surprised because Gerry has prepared a holiday to Ireland for her, Sharon and Denise. Gerry writes:

“Denise take Holly to Whelan my favorite Pub. There is beautiful music to be hear, beautiful people to be around...” (01:01:03 – 01:03:07)

Gerry asks Denise to take Holly to his favorite pub in Lanzarote. He wants Holly to feel the happiness at that place, the atmosphere, good people and nice voice to be heard. It is a nice place to have fun. That is what Gerry expects. In this pub, Holly met with William, the singer of this pub. Holly acquainted with William when he finished singing. Holly come to William:

“Hai, I just wanna say “really like your music it is beautiful | hmm | I'm Holly | William, your American?| yes...” (01:05:38 – 01:05:58)

A. Setting

The first reason is because of the setting. The setting between novel and movie is different. The setting in the novel is in Ireland while the setting in the movie is in America, this occurs because both authors came from different countries that is Ireland (a novel) and America (a movie). Firstly, the setting in the novel is in Ireland, it can be seen from the quotation of the novel:

“Gerry had studied marketing at Dublin City University but he never socialized much with his college friends..” (page 51)

“Her first interview was for a job selling advertising space for a magazine that circulated throughout Dublin...” (page 201)

Dublin is capital of Ireland, and the Holly's effort in Ireland not too hard, from working aspect, Holly is easy to find a job because there are two big companies that are need of new employees. Therefore she accepted at an advertising company. In addition, Ireland is also famous with a comfortable place, that is makes Holly could rise from the sorrow because the environmental factors which is good if she want to go out and enjoy the air. Secondly, The setting in the movie is in America, it can be seen from the dialog of the movie:

“Holly: what do you think if to stop my life in here? Become Miss Havisham in Lower East Side. Never leave my apartment...”

