

## CHAPTER I

### INTRODUCTION

#### 1.1 Background of Study

Literature is as the expression of beautiful thoughts, feeling, and human experience in beautiful language (Sumardji 4). The statement describes that literature has some of elements in the form are thoughts, feelings, human experiences and language. Based on these elements, people are expressing something about himself that consist of his great experiences, thought in the form of ideas which brilliant and deep feelings. Moreover, its contents can be expressed out in language as main object to achieve personal expression in beautiful shape. Furthermore, that language expresses by human can be related into art activity.

Literature is an art activity that related to imaginative or creative writing <http://journalpulp.com/literature-as-an-art-form/html>. Automatically, in the art language are required to be a beautiful language, charming, interesting and fun. Therefore, in order to create it, author share their imaginative thinking by expression to creative writing. All in all, literature is imaginative work writing based on personal expression of the human experience, deep feelings, and thinking in a picture which raises charm with language as tools to make the readers entertained.

In appropriate literature, literary works consist of nonfiction and fiction works. Nonfiction works are written that relate to data and fact. It does not relate to the imagination of the author. It consists of announcements, speech text, reports, journals, biography, scientific articles, etc (Gutkind 8). Fiction works relate to imagination, invention, something unreal, and it does not happen because of real conditions and unnecessary for searching the truth. All of the events, settings, and characters are imaginative (Nurgiyantoro 3). Fiction works consist of novel, short story, poem, drama, fairy tale, etc (9). The statements above indicate that one of the literary works is short story.

According to Abrams, a short story is a brief work of prose fiction, and most of the terms for analyzing the component elements, the types and the various narrative techniques of the novel are applicable to the short story as well (286). It consists of some elements such as characters, plot, setting (Nurgiyantoro 10). Short story is a story that is finished to read in one sitting, revolves around between half to two hours (Jessin in Nurgiyantoro 10). It is so clear, that short story is enough to fill a complete book such as fiction, prose, narrative and it has a plot that is extended by the characters, speech and action. By reading short story everybody can enjoy their time and also fulfill their emotional needs.

*After Twenty Years* is a short story written by O'Henry. It was published in 1906. This case is experienced by Bob and Jimmy as the main characters of this literary work. *After Twenty Years* tells about two young men that grow together as close friends. One day they talk about their future. They have different opinions, Bob decides to leave the town to seek fortunes and make much money to go out

in West. Meanwhile, Jimmy wants to stay in New York. Then, they make promise to reunion in after twenty years, to meet again in small restaurant.

Later, in twenty years Bob and Jimmy meet each other. Bob and Jimmy have different career paths. Jimmy feels connection to his home town and became a policeman. Meanwhile, Bob became a criminal that wanted by Chicago Cops. At the same time, when they meet each other Jimmy does not want to arrest Bob by himself. So he uses other hands to arrest Bob's as criminal. Furthermore, their friendship end.

An interesting point of this story is Jimmy's burden. He has to decide between his friendship with Bob and his obligation as a policeman. It just let Bob to go and arrest Bob by himself as policeman. Both options of the choice seem to be impossible to do by Jimmy. So, he takes the middle way. It is not to tell Bob who he as policeman and using other policeman to arrest Bob.

Through Psychological criticism, it will be learned to analyze Jimmy to overcome his burden in arresting Bob as friends by using others hands. Psychology and literature have different objects: Psychology deals with human beings meanwhile, literature deals with imaginary world human beings. Although they are not the same, they do not stand apart because literature can be analyzed using psychological theory (Wellek and Warren 81). Psychoanalysis criticism is a form of literary criticism which uses some techniques of psychoanalysis in the interpretation of literature (Barry 96). The statements above describes that is why it cannot be denied that we need a supporting theory of psychology in understanding a text of literature because it involves human psychological aspect



#### 1.4 Significance of Study

Through this study, it is purposed for giving both theoretical and practical contribution. Theoretically, the results of the study are expected to give contribution to develop the study and analysis on literary study related to the psychoanalysis criticism in a short story entitles *After Twenty Years* by O'Henry. The writer expects that it can give knowledge about the way Jimmy use others hands to overcome his bunder.

Practically, the writer also expects this study will give an inspiration for other studies especially in English Letters Department of UIN Sunan Ampel Surabaya. Thus, this study will help the readers to study more about this short story and analyzing another aspect of "*After Twenty Years*" in different.

#### 1.5 Scope and Limitation

This research would discuss about main characters Bob and Jimmy. So, to keep the discussion proper to the objective of study, there is scope and limitation in this research. The scope in this research is the main character of this short story, they are Bob and Jimmy and the limitation itself is about their differences age; in young and after twenty years on Bob and Jimmy that happened in the *After Twenty Years* short story. In this case, it means that only discuss about Jimmy Wells to arrest uses others hand in after twenty years.

## 1.6 Method of Study

A method utilized in this research to support the analysis is descriptive qualitative method which tries to describe and uncover the data related to statement of problems in details through some processes of describing phenomena, classifying it, and seeing how the concepts interconnect (Dey 31).

The data observation is library based. Therefore from library data the writer has opportunities to have good data from books, e-books, and online resources. In presenting the data analysis, the writer takes some steps as follows:

1. Reading and understanding the whole of short story entitled "*After Twenty Years*".
2. Collecting the data that relates to the statement of problems.
3. After gathering the data from *After Twenty Years* short story, the writer categorizes the data into two categories. Those are the way of Jimmy of happened to uses others hands to arrest Bob and the other side of the lives of the friendship in earlier.
4. Classifying the data based on the objectives of the study and analyzing the data one by one.
5. Giving the conclusion from the analysis result.

## 1.7 Definition of Key Term

To avoid any different perceptions between the researcher and the readers in understanding the study, it is essential to give some definition of key terms used in this study. Here are the key terms explained:

1. Friendship : kind necessarily involves conversation about well-being and of what might be involved in living the good life, begin to develop a shared idea of the good and to pursue it through networks of friends (Macintyre 156).
2. Burden : something that is emotionally difficult to bear; for achieving a specified aim to task related with source of great worry or stress (Atkinson 84).
3. Promise : a commitment by someone to do or not do something; a declaration assuring that one will or will not do something (Martin 8).