

3.2 Research Instrument

Due to the fact that this study used qualitative approach, the main instrument was the writer herself. It means that the writer herself who collected, interpreted, organized and analyzed the data and drawn the conclusion for this study. In collecting the data, the writer also need printed out of short story, note, pen as the supporting instrument to assist her, also internet connection for looked deeper information about Richard Wright's short story, *The Man Who Almost A Man*.

3.3 Research Subject

The subject of this study is all African American's characters in *The Man Who Almost A Man*. They are Dave, Dave's Father, Dave's Mother and Mr. Joe as the store owner. The writer used those characters because they represented grammatical pattern of AAVE.

3.4 Data and Data Source

The data of this study found the utterances in conversation of Nigger characters in short story, it could be form of words, phrases or sentences. There were two different utterances used by Niggers, Standard and Non-Standard American English. Nevertheless, the writer only took AAVE as the Non-Standard American English. Whereas, the data source for this study was taken from the Richard Wright short story, *The Man Who Almost A Man*.

