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ABSTRACT

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This study aims to discuss the infidelity of Meriel and Dr. Asher in "What is Remembered" short story and Miranda and Dev in "Sexy" short story. This study also explains the factors that cause of infidelity in both stories. This study focuses on three problem statements, such as; (1) How is the infidelity in the two stories described? (2) What is the factor that causes of infidelity? (3) What are the similarities and differences of the infidelity in both stories?

This study used a descriptive qualitative method to give more details about the analysis. This study applied a new criticism theory about character and characterization to describe the character who cheats in both short stories. Another tool used was a sociological approach. The sociological approach used was a theory that covered the reasons for the occurrence of infidelity. This study also applied a comparative approach to find the similarities and the differences of infidelity in both short stories.

The result of the study shows that in "What is Remembered" Meriel has infidelity with Dr. Asher and in "Sexy" story Dev has infidelity with Miranda. This study also shows the factors that cause the occurrence of infidelity in both stories are due to circumstances. The factor of the circumstance in "What is Remembered" is when Meriel visited her aunt who is escorted by another man, namely Dr. Asher. In "Sexy", the factor of the circumstance is Dev, who is in a long-distance relationship with his wife. The last, there are three similarities and differences between the two stories. Those are about: (1) characterization, Meriel and Dev have a selfish nature, (2) The factor that causes of infidelity, the factor that causes infidelity due to circumstance and (3) types of infidelity, in "What is Remembered" there is non-sexual infidelity and in "Sexy" has a Sexual infidelity.

ABSTRAK

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Studi ini bertujuan untuk mendiskusikan tentang perselingkuhan dari Meriel dan Dr. Asher di cerita pendek "What is Remembered" dan Miranda dan Dev di cerita pendek "Sexy". Studi ini juga menjelaskan tentang faktor-faktor yang menyebabkan perselingkuhan pada kedua cerita pendek. Studi ini berfokus pada tiga rumusan masalah, yaitu; (1) Bagaimana perselingkuhan digambarkan pada kedua cerita?, (2) Faktor apa yang menyebabkan perselingkuhan?, (3) Apa persamaan dan perbedaan perselingkuhan pada kedua cerita pendek?

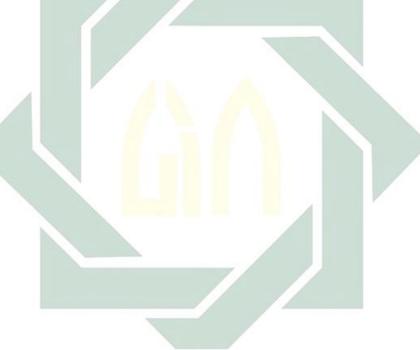
Studi ini mengunakan metode deskriptif kualitatif untuk menjelaskan secara rinci tentang analisis. Studi ini mengunakan teori baru tentang karakter dan penokohan untuk mendeskripsikan karakter yang berselingkuh di kedua cerita pendek. Alat lain yang digunakan adalah pendekatan sosiologis. Pendekatan sosiologis yang digunakan adalah teori yang mencakup alasan terjadinya perselingkuhan. Studi ini juga menerapkan pendekatan studi sastra bandingan untuk menemukan persamaan dan perbedaan dari kedua cerita pendek tersebut.

Hasil studi menunjukkan bahwa di cerita "What is Remembered" Meriel berselingkuh dengan Dr. Asher, dan pada cerita "Sexy" Dev berselingkuh dengan Miranda. Studi ini juga menunjukkan bahwa faktor yang mempengaruhi terjadinya perselingkuhan pada kedua cerita adalah karena faktor keadaan. Faktor keadaan pada "What is Remembered" adalah ketika Meriel mengunjungi bibinya diantarkan oleh pria lain yaitu Dr. Asher. Pada "Sexy" faktor keadaanya adalah Dev yang menjalin hubungan jarak jauh dengan istrinya Terakhir, ada persamaan dan perbedaan pada kedua cerita. Yaitu tentang; (1) penokohan, Meriel dan Dev mempunyai sifat yang egois, (2) Faktor penyebab terjadinya perselingkuhan, faktor yang menyebabkan perselingkuhan adalah karena faktor keadaan, (3) Tipe perselingkuhan, pada "What is Remembered" tanpa sex dan pada "Sexy" dengan sex.

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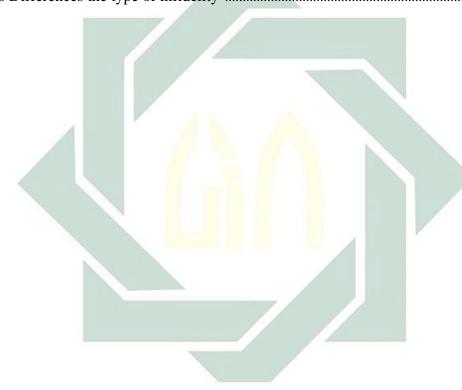
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CHAPTER I

INTRODUCTION

1.1 Background of the Study

Recently, many divorce cases are caused by infidelity. According to KBBI, infidelity is hiding something for one's interests, not being straightforward, and being dishonest. The occurrence of infidelity is of course due to problems in life, especially problems in relationships. Problems in real life also appear to be reflected in literary works, one of which is a short story. Like the short story "What is Remembered" and "Sexy" which become the object of this research. Both stories have the same writer as their women. Talking about the author, indeed, every author makes stories based on her experience and imagination. The writers can create stories with the same issue even though they are from different origins. Both writers have different regions, religions, or countries, such as "What is remembered" and "Sexy" short stories.

The writer of "Sexy" short story is Jhumpa Lahiri. She was born in London, England, in 1967. Her parents are from India. She lives with his parents in Rhode Island, her mother works as a teacher, her father works as a librarian, and Lahiri received a BA in English Literature at Barnard College Bredemus (1999). Then she continued her education at Boston University. While Alice Munro is the writer of "What is Remembered" short story, she was born in Canada in 1931. She studied journalism and English at the University of Western Ontario. From the explanation above, it can be concluded that Lahiri and Munro are writers from different countries, but they do work with the same issue, which is about

infidelity. Although their works have the same issue, in their works, there are different characters and plots.

From the difference between the two authors' backgrounds, they create works with the same issue. The story is illustrated in infidelity story in the short story entitled "Sexy" by Lahiri and "What is Remembered" by Munro. In the literature world, many literary works discuss infidelity, such as "Light Years" by James Salter, "Written on the Body" by Jeanette Winterson, "The Days of Abandonment" by Elena Ferrante, "We Don't Live Here Anymore" by André Dubus, "The Man in the Wooden Hat" by Jane Gardam, etc. In life, the story of a relationship tells about the sweetness of life and the struggle of life, but a painful story that must occur in life, such as infidelity. According to Panca (2016), cheating can be interpreted as hiding something for your interests, not being straightforward, dishonest, cheating, and oblique. Infidelity is something that nobody wants to experience because it's a painful thing for anyone who feels it.

According to Syamsuri 2017 (cited in Pittman, 1989), infidelity is a violation of trust, betrayal of a relationship, termination of a deal. In a relationship, if one of the two betrays, it violates a trust they have built. In the end, if the betrayal is known, an agreement is terminated between continuing the relationship or ending the relationship. Infidelity can occur due to several factors: family life does not bring happiness, religious and moral motivation, low sexual activity with a partner, disorganized or problematic personal life, and good behavior. According to (Syamsuri, MV, 2017) happiness is something you can't buy. Happiness arises when we are with people we love, such as family or

partners. Creating happiness with a partner can prevent us from cheating.

Creating happiness can be done by appreciating partners, supporting each other, increasing sexual activity, and discussing life problems in the present and the future.

In life, several needs cannot be separated from human needs. According to Veyanti (2016) explain that one of them is a biological need, and Humans have several specific biological needs such as eating, drinking, breathing, and sex. Several people can control their biological needs adequately, and some cannot control them properly. Likewise, with sexual needs, not everyone can control their sexual needs well. In some infidelity cases, various conditions describe that the sexual relationship of a marriage partner runs into obstacles. As a result, the married couple is trying to meet their sexual needs to have sexual intercourse outside of one's marriage relationship. Some of the perpetrators of an affair state that they have no intention of leaving their legal wives. However, they feel sexual relations with their wives experience resistance. As a result, they are looking for a way to fulfill sexual needs with other people.

According to Shackelford, Buss, Bennett (2002) Infidelity is categorized into two parts: sexual infidelity and emotional infidelity. Sexual infidelity is a condition when someone meets their ideal types directly and has physical contact, including sexual intercourse. An emotional infidelity is a condition when someone meets his or her cheating partner. These encounters occur via cell phone, blind dates, or social media and do not involve physical intimacy (Hestianingsih, A.K. 2018). Many people who commit emotional affairs do not feel that they are

cheating. It happens because there is no physical contact between him and his partner. But still, if it involves feelings when communicating with the opposite sex even though it is not in physical contact, it can be cheating. Especially when a partner finds out that it will cause heartache and damage to the relationship

In life, we cannot be separated from the name comparison, either comparing living things or things. Discussing comparisons, let us discuss the comparative study. The comparative study is comparing the similarities and differences as phenomena to find what factors can cause a certain event (Kresna, 2019). Here, the researcher compares two short stories, entitle "What is remembered" and "Sexy" *as* short stories, which have similarities and differences in both stories

The researcher tries to find several previous studies which discuss infidelity. First, Francesconi (2004) analyzed about "Writing Secrets as 'betraying the past' in Alice Munro's What is remembered". The result of this study is the writer revealed the secret of Meriel's betrayal with Dr. Asher but it is unknown to Pierre, her husband. The writer said that the secret told by Munro, the author of "What is Remembered", was a complex discursive procedure. Second, Muhaddast (2017) analyzed "Western Domination In Jhumpa Lahiri's Short Stories Sexy, This Blessed House, And When Mr. Pirzada Came To Dine (1999)". The result of this study is to prove the dominance of Western powers in some fictional elements in the short story. Like the superior one, that always uses the West to express its power by providing imaginative creations as well as exclusion East through narrative and dialogue. Another previous study about Infidelity namely, Putri Utami (2017) this study analyzes "Love Affair Reflected in Paula Hawkins 'The

Girl on The Train (2015): A Psychoanalytic Study". The last is Ashley Phillips (2011), The Infidelity Issue in Brideshead Revisited and Journey into Fear. The researcher believes that these works are definitive evidence that the affair exists by the evidence of infidelity in literary works. Nowadays, there are often breakups caused mainly by infidelity, and this topic is always interesting to read and discuss.

The researcher chooses this research because the research which analyzes these two short stories is different from the previous studies above. The gap from this research is because there is no research about comparing two short stories about infidelity as far as the researchers know. The researcher will use "Sexy" and "What is Remembered" as the object of this research. Both short stories are telling about infidelity but in a different plot. The difference of plot in both short stories makes the researcher is interested in doing this research. This research uses a new criticism theory and comparative approach to analyze both of the short stories.

Here, the researcher conducts this research with infidelity issues based on both of the short stories. The reason the researcher chooses this issue because nowadays, divorce cases are rampant due to infidelity. A study published in The Journal of Sex Research states that there is one factor that most people cheat.

According to Hestianingsih (2018), 77% of adult participants admit to have an affair because of reduced love. Then 70% of other respondents say that they cheat because they feel neglected, there were also 70% of respondents say that an affair occur when they are drunk. Meanwhile, several other respondents admit to

have an affair because they are angry with their partners. Another cause for cheating is to overcome their inferiority complex.

Therefore, the researcher is interested in analyzing this topic to compare the author's point of view in describing infidelity. In other words, in "What is Remembered" story is the side of the woman who is having infidelity, and in the "Sexy" story, the side of the man who is having an affair. So, the researcher is interested in examining the case of infidelity in this study. The researcher also wants to compare the two author's points of view because the two authors come from different nations. The researcher also analyzes the characters who compare the differences in the infidelity issues of the two short stories and the similarities in both short stories.

1.2 Statement of Problem

- 1. How is the infidelity in the two stories described?
- 2. What is the factor that causes of infidelity?
- 3. What are the similarities and differences of infidelity in both stories?

Based on the statement of the problem of this research above, this research has three objectives. They are:

- 1. To describe the infidelity in both stories
- 2. To describe the factor that causes infidelity
- To discover the similarities and the differences between the infidelity in both stories.

1.3 Significance of the study

The researcher hopes this study can be useful for readers, especially the students of English Literature department. The researcher hopes this study can be used as a reference for students who analyze infidelity. The reason for it is because many life problems are depicted in literary works, especially those depicted in "What is remembered" and "Sexy" stories. In today's world, divorce cases are rampant due to infidelity. Several factors cause infidelity to occur, including poor communication in the household, not good in biological matters, and it could also be due to economic factors. The researcher also hopes this research will help another student and can be used as an evaluation or even compare an event in a short story that reflects the infidelity issues in real life.

1.4 Scope and Limitation

This research aims to get results of infidelity issues. The analysis is divided into three parts; to describe the character and characterization which is having infidelity and several characters related to the character who is having infidelity, the factors that cause of infidelity, explaining the type of infidelity, and comparing the similarities and differences in both of the stories. Furthermore, this study only obtained data from the narration, dialogue, and conversations from "What is Remembered" and "Sexy" stories related to Meriel, Pierre, Dr. Asher, Miranda, Dev, and Laxmi. In addition, this study applies new criticism theory, sociological and comparative approaches.

1.5 Definition of the key terms

1. *Piss-hair* : The nickname of Pierre when he was young

(Munro, 2001: p. 4)

2. Selfish : People who are always concerned with their own

happiness (Cambridge Dictionary)

3. Unfaithful : Having a sexual relationship or experience with a person

who is not your husband, wife, or usual sexual partner

(Cambridge Dictionary)

1.6 Research Methods

The researcher used the descriptive qualitative method in this research.

Qualitative research is an observation for description and interpretation based on the theory. As the primary data foundation, the researcher used "What is Remembered" short story by Munro and "Sexy" short story by Lahiri. The researcher used the book from the library, journals, E-book, and some thesis related to this research topic as the supported data. There were several types for collecting the data:

- 1. Read "What is Remembered" and "Sexy" short stories
- After reading two short stories, find the issue and make the research problem
- 3. Choose some relevant quotations that are suitable for the research problem.
- 4. Make a table to clarify the explanation
- Find out the related references from the supporting data to support the primary data to analyze.

CHAPTER II

REVIEW OF LITERATURE

2.1 New Criticism

According to Abrams (1999, p. 181), New Criticism is the critical focus on literary work, isolated from the circumstances and the accompanying effects. In analyzing and evaluating specific jobs, new criticism avoids references to the author's biography and temperament, to the social conditions at the production time, or the logical and moral psycho-psychological effects on the reader; they also throw minimal resources into the workplace in literary history and subject matter. Wolfreys (2006, p.136) states that new criticism is the study of literature that shares a focus on the form of the individual experience instead of the literary work's historical or cultural context.

2.1.1 Character

Abrams (1999, p.32) states that characters are portrayed in a dramatic or narrative work. The reader also interprets the character as someone who has particular moral, intellectual, and emotional qualities based on their characteristics in speaking and their actions. Further, Abrams states, the motivation of character is the grounds in the characters' temperament, eagerness, and moral nature for their speech and actions. Saad In Ali (cited in Al-Maruf, A. I. & Nugrahani, F., 2017: 92) says that The presence of characters in a story can be seen in a variety of three ways. First, the analytical way, the namely direct author explains and describes the characters. Second, the dramatic way, in which the author describes

the characters through an image place and environment of figures, dialogue between figures, actions, and the character's way of thinking, and the third is a combination of the two, or in other words, a character is portrayed directly by the author and also by being depicted through his actions, dialogue between characters, environment, etc.

2.1.2 Characterization

Characterization is the invention of these fantasy characters so that they exist for the reader, as is evident in fiction's restrictions (Holman, p. 84). This statement means that characterization is how the writer expresses the character of an imaginary person. According to Abrams (p. 34), there are two characterization methods, showing and telling. In showing or referred to as a 'dramatic method,' it is a method in which the writer only presents the characters speaking and acting and leaves the reader to deduce the motives and dispositions behind what they say and do. Whereas, in telling, the author intervenes authoritatively to describe and often evaluate the motives and qualities of character dispositions.

According to Lubis (cited Al-Maruf, A. I. & Nugrahani, F., 2017: 93) characteristics in the story are naturally acceptable if they can be accounted for from a psychological, physiological, and sociological perspective. The three angles still have various aspects. Al-Maruf, A. I. & Nugrahani, F. (2017: 93) explain that psychological aspects include ambition, ideals, disappointment, skills, temperament. Physiological aspects such as gender, appearance, body condition, skin color, and others. Sociological aspects consist of environment, rank, social status, religion, nationality, and so on. In fiction, these three aspects are

interrelated, both directly and indirectly, by displaying physiological, psychological, and sociological characteristics.

2.2 Sociological Approach

According to (Laurenson & Swingewood, 1972, p. 11) Sociology is the scientific and objective study of humans in society, the study of social institutions and social processes; it seeks to answer questions about how society might be, how it works, why it survives. They explain that sociology is the study of humans in society, social habits in society, and social processes such as when humans work and socialize with other people.

According to Damono (1978:6), he explained briefly that the notion of sociology is an analysis objective and scientific about humans in society; a review of social institutions and processes. In other words, sociology is a discussion of the real human social context in society and its existence clearly in the human environment. Both are in the form of institutions and social processes of human life.

2.2.1 Infidelity

According to Merriam Webster, Infidelity is the act or fact of having a romantic or sexual relationship with someone other than one's husband, wife, or partner. In other words, infidelity is a real act of having a romantic relationship or sexual relationship with another person who is not her husband, wife or partner. If a husband or wife has a romantic relationship or sex with someone who is not their partner then it is considered as infidelity.

According to Asya (cited in Veyanti 2016: 21), she defines infidelity as the act of a husband or wife in the form of having a relationship with someone outside the marriage bond who, if the legal partner finds out, will be declared as an act of betraying, hurting, breaking the agreement, beyond commitment. In other words, cheating contains the meaning of dishonesty, distrust, disrespectful for each other the intention of enjoying relationships with other people so that it is fulfilled love needs, sympathy to sexual needs.

According to Psychologist Ariani, A. S (cited in Panca 2016: P. 4), infidelity has a meaning as a form of disloyalty to a partner and has an attraction to other people which can be created in various forms ranging from mild, just lyrical to those heavy like having sexual intercourse. In other words, infidelity is a partner's infidelity and has a sense of attraction to others, such as in light things, for example looking at each other, being consistent in communication or meetings, to tough things in the form of intimate relationships with other people who are not legal partners.

According to Rumondor, P. C (2019) Infidelity is a behavior that violates relationship commitments, which ultimately injures trust in a romantic relationship. Therefore, each partner has different boundaries, depending on their respective relationship commitments. If one of them violates the commitment, it will hurt feelings and loss of the partner's trust. Infidelity usually begins with physical attraction to the opposite gender who is not an official partner. It is normal to feel attracted to other people. For example, men are handsome, girls are

beautiful. However, what matters if the attraction becomes emotional closeness or becomes something of a secret then it is called infidelity.

2.2.1.1 The Types of Infidelity

According to Shackelford, Buss, Bennett (2002) Infidelity is categorized into two parts: sexual infidelity and emotional infidelity. Hestianingsih, A.K. (2018) explains that sexual infidelity is a condition when someone meets their ideal types directly and has physical contact, including sexual intercourse. Emotional infidelity is a condition when someone meets his or her cheating partner. These encounters occur via cell phone, blind dates, or social media and do not involve physical intimacy.

According to Sukmasari (2018) there are four types of infidelity based on the level of emotional involvement. First, Serial Affairs this type of affair involves the least amount of emotional intimacy but can happen many times. This type of relationship can take the form of an overnight affair or several affairs that last quite a long time. Serial affairs are emotionless because relationships are usually just for fun or a moment of adventure

Second, the second type of cheating is Fling. Fling is similar to serial affairs. Fling is characterized by the perpetrator's lack of emotional involvement. Relationships that occur can be in the form of an affair overnight or for several months but it only happens once and just ends. Usually, this takes place under certain conditions such as seminars, workshops, or out-of-town assignments. This type of fling has less serious implications.

Third, the type of affair is romantic love affair. This type of infidelity involves a deep emotional connection. Cheaters often fall in love again and find a more satisfying relationship with the affair, both physically and emotionally. The relationship that is established is very important and has a big impact on the marriage. Often the perpetrator of cheating thinks of divorcing and marries his mistress. If divorce doesn't happen, the affair usually happens in secret. This type of infidelity occurs when he does not find comfort in the household or sexual satisfaction with his legal partner

Fourth, the fourth type is long-term affair. Long-term infidelity is a relationship that involves the most profound emotional involvement.

Relationships from this type of infidelity can last for years or even throughout the marriage. This type of infidelity is very impactful if the partner is found out by his legal partner

2.2.1.2 The Cause of Infidelity

According to Quimila, A (2017), there are five factors which can cause infidelity. Among them are first, a lack of sexual satisfaction in marriage, and a desire for additional sexual intercourse. The second is the lack of emotional satisfaction in marriage. Then, the third is a desire to get a sense of appreciation from others. The fourth is no longer in love with their partners and find new love. The fifth is a revenge for hurting a cheating partner. These five factors are very likely to trigger of infidelity if it is not resolved immediately.

According to Satiadarma, 2001 (cited in Veyenty, 2016) the cause of an affair is based on several reasons, including: First, because of psychophysical

reasons which are divided into two, namely physical attachment and biological needs. Physical attachment is one of the things that can make a person approach someone. Humans have several certain biological needs such as eating, drinking, breathing, and sex. Some people can meet these biological needs both well and poorly. Second, psychological reasons, which are also divided into two. First, need, and second is pressure. The need is one of the most basic reasons for an adulterer to commit infidelity. Such as physical, social, or psychological reasons based on needs. Meanwhile, pressure is a condition that has a big influence on a person to carry out the impulses he craves for behaves certain to a particular object.

According to Gifari (cited in Muhajarah, 2016), there are four factors that cause infidelity. First, there is opportunity. For example, working in a well-known office in a promising position, accompanied by a beautiful and sexy secretary whose daily clothes are miniature and tight is the opportunity that most often causes a boss to have infidelity. The meeting that took place continues to make the relationship so intense. Secretary is generally accompanying the boss both in the office and outside the office, sometimes getting stuck in a routine that made her increasingly into a routine of harassment sex and leads to infidelity.

Second is a conflict with wife. A less harmonious relationship with a wife is the most often reason expressed by men to seek pleasure outside. Especially if the domestic conflict ends with a great quarrel, it will be difficult to reconcile it. Meanwhile, the need for sex comes unexpectedly. Gradually there is a desire to

light it outside. This is very easy to trigger an affair, let alone intend in your heart to take it out on other people.

Third, having sexual intercourse is not satisfied. Psychiatrists admit that many mental and nervous disorders stem from sexual problems. Those who feel less fasting in their sexual relationships are most likely able to seek sexual satisfaction with other people, this is one of the factors that cause infidelity.

The last is abnormal or animalistic sex. Currently, mushrooming porn videos can be obtained at relatively cheap prices. Many husbands watch secretly without their wives knowing which in the end got information about the way Western-style sex is completely vulgar and tends to be rung inhuman (animalistic). He hoped to invite his wife to do as he saw earlier, but what happened, many wives who innocent shocked by her husband's wish If it is not fulfilled then it can look for an outlet in other women. This last factor can cause infidelity to occur.

2.2.1.3 The characteristics of infidelity behavior

According to Afifah, M. N (2020) The signs of a cheating partner's behavior are as follows:

2.2.1.3.1 Look more attractive

If your partner suddenly becomes diligent in exercising and eating healthily, it could be a sign that the person is trying to appear more attractive to someone.

This suspicion can be even stronger when a couple who was previously indifferent

to their appearance suddenly wants to look tidier. He wants to be different from usual

2.2.1.3.2 Using a stealth device

Cheating people also tend to access smartphones or devices more often.

What's different, devices that are usually without a password are suddenly given a special code and only known to the partner. In addition, conversation history and smartphone searches are also nil or have been deleted. This was done so that it was not easy for the couple to find out about their behavior

2.2.1.3.3 Difficult to contact

Couples who are cheating are usually difficult to access or contact, even though they have no urgent business or work. When called, the partner often excuses as if he is in a meeting, driving, or is in an area with a poor signal.

Always look for reasons to avoid

2.2.1.3.4 Sexual intercourse is minimal, too much, or tasteless

Infidelity can occur or can be observed from the quality or decrease and increase in sexual activity. The lack of intimate relationships can be that your partner is focused on other people or is having a lot of business. Couples can also invite more frequent sex to cover up their mistakes. This was done so that his cheating actions were not known and to avoid problems with his partner

2.2.1.3.5 Blame hobby

When being dishonest, people tend to justify their behavior, for example, by looking for various reasons so that their behavior is not revealed. One of them is

by blaming you. It could be that you are accused of turning unattractive, such as during courtship, bland intimate relationships, you do not respect your partner, etc.

2.2.1.3.6 Many reasons

Couples who cheat usually also lie to cover up their relationship with a third person. The reasons used could be frequent overtime, business out of town, being diligent at the fitness center, flat tires, until the cellphone battery drops. Couples who cheat in general also often forget to pick up their children and ignore important family events.

2.2.1.3.7 Your partner's uncomfortable around you

You're usually the last person to know about a partner's infidelity. The couple's friends generally knew about infidelity from the start. It makes your partner's friend feel uncomfortable or uncomfortable and wants to avoid you.

2.2.1.3.8 Expenditures swell

If you find your partner's bills or expenses swell, even though there is no special event or momentum, you can question it, especially if it drains your future savings or investment. Before suspecting your partner, make sure you have looked at the list of withdrawals and transactions. To avoid misunderstanding

2.2.1.3.9 Avoiding the topic of infidelity

The topic most cheating people avoid is cheating. Couples cover their mistakes as much as possible by not discussing the problem in the third person. In a way, he avoids or deflects the conversation about infidelity. He didn't want to

talk about infidelity at all because he was afraid that he would not act suspicious or that his actions would be exposed

2.2.1.4 The impact of infidelity

2.2.1.4.1 Emotional Stress

Cheating can have serious consequences for a person's mental and physical health. For example, the victim of an affair may blame herself or become insecure. If allowed to take a long time, this condition can cause stress, anxiety disorders, depression, eating disorders, Post Traumatic Disorder Syndrome (PTSD). Reporting to the Journal of Social and Personal Relationships, women tend to experience more stress when cheating on them than men.

2.2.1.4.2 Heart Disorders

The impact of infidelity is heart trouble. we can experience sudden emotional stress. This condition can increase the risk of heart attack, arrhythmia (heart rhythm disturbances), and even sudden death. This risk actually often occurs in people with a history of heart disease. However, there are still many people who do not realize that they have heart disease until they experience sudden stress. This condition can also be at risk for heart problems

2.2.1.4.3 Chronic Headache

The impact of infidelity, according to research published in the journal Annual Review of Psychology, said nearly fifty percent of respondents who were stressed and hurt because of infidelity reported frequent chronic headaches.

Chronic stress that lasts a long time can trigger depression or increase the risk of developing heart and blood vessel disease.

2.2.1.4.4 Sleep Disorders (Insomnia)

The impact of infidelity according to a survey from the American Psychological Association in 2012, as many as forty percent of people who are hurt and feel stressed because of infidelity tend to experience sleep disturbances. These disorders can include insomnia and difficulty feeling relaxed at night. As a result, a person's concentration level during the day will decrease, not focus on activities, and the body feels tired and lacks energy.

2.2.1.4.5 Chronic Illness

The impact of infidelity is that the stress that is felt continuously due to infidelity can cause a person to suffer from chronic diseases. such as experiencing high blood pressure, obesity, and diabetes. This health problem is related to the domino effect that attacks psychological disorders. This condition occurs when an affair makes a person have an unhealthy lifestyle. For example, eating patterns can be disturbed or rest periods and physical activity levels are not optimal.

2.2.1.4.6 Sexually Transmitted Infections

The impact of infidelity, such as in the case of "one-night stands" when drunk and not using a condom, sexually transmitted infections can occur. The impact of this infidelity is not only harmful to yourself, but also your partner. This disease can be contagious

2.3 Comparative Approach

A comparative study is to compare the similarities and differences as phenomena to find what factors can cause a certain event (Kresna, 2019). A comparative study can be used as a research method. According to Saufa, 2014 (cited in Nazir, 2005: 8) Comparative research is a type of descriptive research that is used to discover answers fundamentally about cause and effect, by analyzing the factors that cause the occurrence of a phenomenon or the emergence of a particular problem. This research shows to compare the similarities and differences between the two objects. In other word, the researcher wants to compare two objects to find the cause and effect of a problem.

This study uses a comparative approach to compare two short stories, "What is Remembered" by Alice Munro and "Sexy" by Jhumpa Lahiri, in infidelity character as an object. This study describes the infidelity of the characters in both short stories and some of the related characters. Analyzing the factors that influence the character to do the infidelity, and find the similarities and differences between the two short stories.

2.4 Review of Literature

First, Francesconi (2004) analyzed "Writing Secrets as 'betraying the past' in Alice Munro's "What is remembered". The result of this study is the writer revealed the secret of Meriel's betrayal with Dr. Asher but it is unknown to Pierre, her husband. The writer said that the secret told by Munro, the author of "What is Remembered", was a complex discursive procedure. Second, Muhaddast (2017) analyzed "Western Domination In Jhumpa Lahiri's Short Stories Sexy, This Blessed House, And When Mr. Pirzada Came To Dine (1999)". The result of this

study is to prove the dominance of Western powers in some fictional elements in the short story. Like the superior one, that always uses the West to express its power by providing imaginative creations as well as exclusion East through narrative and dialogue.

Another previous study about Infidelity namely, Putri Utami (2017) the study analyzes "Love Affair Reflected in Paula Hawkins The Girl on The Train (2015): A Psychoanalytic Study". The purpose of this research is to reveal the affair in the novel "The Girl on the Train". This research explains how the psychological condition of the three main characters, and reveals infidelity case that is depicted in the novel "The Girl on the Train". Her study uses a psychological analysis approach. This study shows the differences in the three main characters' psychological conditions, such as Rachel's Psychological Condition, Condition Psychology from Megan, and psychological condition from Anna. Besides, the researcher find infidelity between three characters, cases of infidelity, and the impact of the affair.

The last, Ashley Phillips (2011), stated that "The Infidelity Issue in Brideshead Revisited and Journey into Fear". This study discusses the 1940s novels related to marriage, namely, affair, because infidelity seems to be a common topic in 1940's British literature. The affair is depicted on Brideshead Revisited, and Journey Into Fear differ in the reasons behind the adulterers involved. The difference comes from the start of World War II and the harm it causes. This study illustrates extramarital affairs are very different, critical

differences to investigate because of that very closely related to the main event 1940s is World War II.

From four studies conducted above, they examined literature with issue infidelity. Utami's work reveals an affair and uses a psychological approach.

Then, the work of Phillips discusses two novels of affair in the 1940s. However, there has not been an analysis of infidelity factors from previous studies and comparing the two literary works by looking for similarities and differences.

Now, the research fills in an analysis that has not been analyzed yet before in two short stories, namely "What is Remembered" and "Sexy" short stories.

CHAPTER III

ANALYSIS

3.1 Infidelity in Munro's "What is Remembered" and Lahiri's "Sexy"

In this part the researcher describes the infidelity of "What is Remembered" and "Sexy" stories

3.1.1 "What is Remembered"

In this part, the researcher describes infidelity in "What Is Remembered" story. In this story there is Meriel as a character who has infidelity, she has a husband named Pierre, and she has two children. 'What's your husband's name?' 'Pierre.' 'And you have the two children, don't you? Jane and David?' (p. 10). "His name for Pierre was piss-hair, a nickname from those years..." (p. 4). Pierre has a nickname called piss-hair a few years ago. Meriel is in a relationship with a man named Dr. Asher. This man has the full name, Eric Asher. Dr. Asher is the doctor who treats Jonas. He came to Jonas' funeral and finally he met Meriel and Pierre. Jonas' mother said Dr. Asher arrives at Jonas from Smithers' funeral on his plane. Jonas's mother might not have been listening. Looking across the room, she said, "That's the doctor who looked after him. He flew down from Smithers in his plane. Really, we thought that was so good of him." (p. 6). He was a good friend because he was willing to fly far away on his plane to come to Jonas' funeral. Here, Dr. Ahser is called a traitor because he betrayed Pierre, Meriel's husband. He likes Meriel and kisses her. As the quotation "When she asked him later "Why did you come in there with me?" He said, "Because I didn't want to

lose sight of you." (p. 10). The proof above shows that Dr. Asher likes Meriel. He begins to be interested in Meriel even though they just met when they finished Jonas's funeral.

Meriel is going to visit her aunt named Muriel. Aunt Muriel is not related by blood to Meriel. Even so, Aunt Muriel is a woman her mother loves and a woman admired by Meriel's mother, who has died. Such as the evidence in the quotation below

She had arranged to take this chance to visit a woman her dead mother had loved and admired and had named her for, and whom Meriel had always called Aunt, though they were not related by blood. (p. 7)

This old woman was living in a nursing home in Lynn Valley, and Meriel had not visited her for over a year. It took too much time to get there, on their infrequent family trips to Vancouver. (p. 7)

The quotation above shows that Auntie Muriel lives in a nursing home in Lynn Valley. Meriel has not visited her for more than a year. When there is an opportunity, she doesn't want to miss it, which probably make Meriel rarely visit Aunt Muriel because of the distance.

- 'Where to?' he said when they were driving. Then, as if he thought he had spoken too brusquely, 'Where would you like to go?' (p. 13)
- 'How about Stanley park?' He said.
- 'Would you like to go for a walk in Stanley Park?' She said 'Oh, Stanley Park. I haven't been there for ages,' (p. 13)

Based on the evidence above, Meriel has infidelity with Dr. Asher. Dr. Asher may have feelings for Meriel as he tries to buy Meriel's time. If there aren't any feelings for Meriel, Dr. Asher only intends to help Pierre because Pierre can't deliver Meriel. After his goal is over to take Meriel to her aunt's place, he will take Meriel back to her husband immediately, Pierre. But in the end, Dr. Asher

Park for a long time. "Take me somewhere else," she said. He looked her in the face. He said, 'Yes.' There on the sidewalk in the world's view. Kissing like mad." (p. 14). Here, the quotation shows that Meriel is not loyal to Pierre.

Because she kissed Dr. Asher, it can be said that Meriel is not cheating because Dr. Asher, who misunderstands Meriel's words, made Meriel kissed Dr. Asher. However, this is said to be infidelity because Meriel does not refuse, nor is she angry when Dr. Asher kisses her. Even though she doesn't seem to believe what had happened after kissing, she had kissed Dr. Asher.

After they kissed, "There she would have to cross the little lobby with head bowed and arms clinging to her sides, her whole body permeated by exquisite shame." (p. 14). Here, explain that Meriel is very embarrassed when she walks to the hotel after kissing Dr. Asher. She is embarrassed and walks with her head down while imagining the incident kissing her with Dr. Asher, and she doesn't think that will happen.

It wasn't until after Pierre was dead that she remembered one further detail. He had driven her to Horseshoe Bay, to the ferry. He had got out of the car and come around to her side. She was standing there, waiting to say goodbye to him. She made a move toward him, to kiss him... (p. 18)

The proof above shows that Meriel is not faithful because she still remembers the incident in detail when she kissed Dr. Asher even imagined her previous incident with Dr. Asher. As if they are a couple. Meriel kisses Dr. Asher after he drives her to Horseshoe Bay, to the ferry, and seemed to show that Meriel has feelings for Dr. Asher.

Meriel is a dishonest wife. As the quotation, "Then Pierre asked, 'Didn't he drive you someplace? Where?' 'To Lynn Valley. To see Aunt Muriel.' 'So what did you talk about?''I found him hard to talk to.' (p. 17). The quotation shows that Meriel is not honest with her husband. When Pierre asked if Dr. Asher found it difficult to talk with her, she answers yes, Dr. Asher has a hard time talking to her. Even though the reality is not like that. Dr. Asher even acted as if Mereil is his lover, like when suddenly Dr. Asher kisses Mereil on the sidewalk. Then, Dr. Asher takes Meriel to the Ferry to meet her husband, and their relationship ends, as this quotation "She would never see Asher again" (p. 16). After that incident, Meriel had seen Dr. Asher again. "Her marriage with Pierre would continue, it would last" (p. 16). Their relationship is completely unknown to Pierre. Meriel and Pierre's relationship continued.

It wasn't until after Pierre was dead that she remembered one further detail. He had driven her to Horseshoe Bay, to the ferry. He had got out of the car and come around to her side. She was standing there, waiting to say goodbye to him. She made a move toward him, to kiss him surely a natural thing to do... (p.18)

The evidence above explains that Meriel is having infidelity with Dr.

Asher. After Pierre's death, Meriel remembers the incident with Dr. Asher in more detail that after Dr. Asher drives Meriel to Horseshoe Bay, to the ferry Meriel does what he deserves like a real couple. Meriel is waiting to say goodbye to Dr. Asher and kiss him. From the explanation above infidelity in "What is Remembered" we can conclude that Meriel and Dr. Asher are in a relationship behind Pierre even if it was only for an instant. Infidelity in this story is classified as non-sexual infidelity because they only kissed. As this proof "Take me somewhere else," she said. He looked her in the face. He said, 'Yes.' "There on

the sidewalk in the world's view. Kissing like mad" (p. 14). This quote shows that Meriel wants Asher to take him to another place, but he ignores Meriel's words, looked at Meriel's face then says yes, and so they kissed on the sidewalk. It is corroborated by this evidence "He had got out of the car and come around to her side. She was standing there, waiting to say goodbye to him. She made a move toward him, to kiss him surely a natural thing to do..." (p. 18). This proof shows that their relationship is an adulterous relationship without sex. Here Meriel is waiting for Asher to get out of the car, say goodbye and kiss him, and about kissing him Meriel thinks it is natural.

Meriel and Dr. Asher do not continue their relationship. After Dr. Asher finishes escorting Meriel to Fery to meet her husband, "He had driven her to Horseshoe Bay, to the ferry." (p. 18) their relationship ends. Meriel has never seen him again, as this is proof "She would never see Asher again" (p. 16).

When she saw his picture in the paper, no immediate pangs struck her. The clipping had been sent by Jonas's mother, who as long as she lives insisted on keeping in touch, and reminding them, whenever she could, of Jonas. 'Remember the doctor at Jonas's funeral?' she had written above the small headline. 'Bush Doctor dead in Air Crash.' It was an old picture, surely, blurred in its newspaper reproduction. A rather chunky face, smiling which she would never have expected him to do for the camera. He hadn't died in his own plane but in the crash of a helicopter on an emergency flight. (p. 17)

That proof above explains that Meriel sees a photo of Dr. Asher in the paper. The newspaper is sending by Jonas' mother, Jonas' mother also added a note or a small title to whether Meriel remembered the doctor who came to Jonas' funeral, and she says that Dr. Asher died in an air accident. Meriel found that the picture in the newspaper is an old picture, of course, the picture is blurry in the reproduction of his newspaper. The face Meriel seems to recognize was a slightly chubby face,

smiling inappropriately in front of the camera. In the fact Dr. Asher did not die on his plane, but he died in a helicopter crash on an emergency flight. That's the end of the relationship between Meriel and Dr. Asher

3.1.2 "Sexy"

Dev is a married man, "He explained that he couldn't spend the whole night at her place, because his wife called every day at six in the morning..." (p. 50). That proof shows that Dev is married, he can't stay over at Miranda's place because his wife always calls at six in the morning, and he has a relationship with another woman named Miranda. Miranda is an unmarried woman. She is a woman who is twenty years old. She works at a public radio station in the fundraising department. 'A cream,' Miranda said eventually. 'How old are you?' 'Twenty-two' (p. 49). This conversation shows that Miranda is twenty-two years old. It happened when she was buying cosmetics, and the saleswoman asked her how old she was. She lives in an apartment. She is in a relationship with a married man. The man is named Dev. "They worked for a public radio station, in the fund-raising department" (p. 48). The evidence shows that Miranda works in a public radio station in the fund-raising department with her close friend named Laxmi, and she lives in an apartment. Dev is a man born in India in Bengali city, "Dev was Bengali, too" (p. 48). He is a married man. But he is in a relationship with another woman. The woman's name is Miranda. "He didn't wear a wedding ring." (p. 49), the quote shows that Dev is not wearing his wedding ring. He does this to cover up other people's suspicions about him being married and having relationships with other women. Almost every night they spend together. Like the

evidence, "Somehow, without the wife there, it didn't seem so wrong. At first Miranda and Dev spent every night together, almost" (p.50). Dev feels nothing is wrong if his wife isn't by his side. Almost every night, he spends time with Miranda.

During the day he calledher every hour, it seemed, from work, or from his cell phone. Once he learned Miranda's schedule he left her a message each evening at five-thirty when she was on the coming back to her apartment, just so, he said, she could hear his voice as soon as she walked through the door. 'I'mthinking about you,' he'd say on the tape. 'I can't wait to see you.' He told her he liked spending time in her apartment... (p. 50)

Proof above shows that Dev cares about Miranda, he calls Miranda every hour, learns Miranda's schedule, and sends messages every night at five-thirty. that hour is the time when Miranda came home from work and returned to her apartment. While they were on the phone, Dev said he was thinking of Miranda and he said he couldn't wait to meet her. Also, he said that Dev likes to spend time in her apartment.

"The best twelve minutes of the week."He'd sigh, running a hand along the backs of her calves. Then he'd spring out of bed, pulling on his sweatpants and lacing up his sneakers." (p. 53). This proof shows that Dev sleeps in Miranda's apartment for a short time which is only twelve minutes but Dev thinks it is the best time of the week. Then he immediately put on his sweatpants and his sneakers when he wakes up. The thing that they do utterly unknown to his Dev's wife. Followed by another proof like the following

They went to the movies at Nickelodeon and kissed the whole time. They ate pulled pork and cornbread in Davis Square, a paper napkin tucked like a cravat into the collar of Dev's shirt. They sipped sangria at the bar of a Spanish restaurant, a grinning pig's head presiding over their conversation. (p. 51)

From the proof above, it explains that Dev and Miranda spend time together, such as watching at the Nickelodeon and kissing, and eating together at the bar of a Spanish restaurant. Dev betrays his wife. He is busy enjoying being with Miranda. Sometimes, Miranda curious about what Dev's wife will look like. As the quotation below

The next day when Dev came to visit, Miranda asked him what his wife looked like. She was nervous to ask, waiting until he'd smoked the last of his cigarettes, crushing it with a firm twist into the saucer. He wondered if they'd quarrel. But Dev wasn't surprised by the question. He told her, spreading some smoked whitefish on a cracker, that his wife resembled an actress in Bombay named Madhuri Dixit. (p. 54)

From the quotation above, it strengthens Miranda as a person who has excellent curiosity. She wants to know how Dev's wife looked. She asks Dev directly, even though she is nervous about it. Dev is not surprised by Miranda's question. Maybe Dev thinks it is a fair question for Miranda to ask. However, Dev only answered that his wife looked like an actress named Madhuri Dixit, an artist from Bombay.

Dev is a romantic man. He manages to make Miranda remember all his actions that are so romantic and make Miranda feels like a special woman. Miranda feels that Dev is different from the previous man who had been with her. Dev is the first, and the one who always pays for Miranda's belongings, opens the door, kisses Miranda's hand, brings a large bucket of flowers, and always whispers her name when they make love. Things like that often appear in Miranda's mind when she is not with Dev. Such as the quotation below

Dev was the first to tell her that. Unlike the boys she dated in college, who were simply taller, heavier versions of the ones she dated in high school, Dev was the first always to pay for things, and hold doors open, and reach across a table in a restaurant to kiss her hand. He was the first to bring her a bouquet so immense

she'd had to split it up into all six of her drinking glasses, and the first to whisper her name again and again when they made love. (p. 50)

'Hi,' she whispered, elements of what else to say. 'You're sexy,' he whispered back. (p. 51)

The conversation above shows that Dev whispers a romantic word. He turned to whisper to Miranda with seductive words saying that Miranda is a sexy woman. The word Sexy is always in Miranda's mind because Dev is the first to say that she is sexy.

One Saturday when Dev called, late at night, "she heard people laughing and talking in the background, so many that she asked him if he was at a concert hall. But he was only calling from his house in the suburbs. "I can't hear you that well," he said. "We have guests. Miss me?" From the proof, it shows that Dev called Miranda late at night, only to ask if she missed Dev. Even though Dev is having a guest, he took the time to ask Miranda about that.

"Miranda, do you miss me?" he asked again". (p. 54). The proof shows that Dev is a romantic person, apart from the actions he did for Miranda, such as giving flowers, opening the door, etc. Dev is also romantic when he calls Miranda. He asks if Miranda misses him or not. The questions like this seem simple, but not all men can ask a woman this. "After lunch, they made love, on sheets covered with crumbs, and then Dev took a nap for twelve minutes". (p. 53). The proof above shows that Dev and Miranda made love after they had lunch, and then Dev fell asleep for twelve minutes.

In "Sexy" story, the relationship between Dev and Miranda does not continue. Because in the end, Miranda realized that her relationship with Dev is a relationship that doesn't deserve to continue. As this proof below

On Sunday, Dev called to tell Miranda he was on his way. 'I'm almost ready. I'll be there at two.' She was watching a cooking show on television. A woman pointed to a row of apples, explaining which were best for baking.

'You shouldn't come today.'

'Why not?'

'I have a cold,' she lied. It wasn't far from the truth; crying had left her congested.

'I've been in bed all morning.' (p. 60)

The proof above explains that Dev calls to tell Miranda he is on his way. He said that he is almost there for Miranda. Dev also says take him there at two o'clock. Miranda lies to Dev when he wants to meet Miranda on Sunday. She lies clearly to avoid Dev. Miranda reasoned she is getting sick, even though she is crying. In fact, she was watching a cooking show on television.

Despite herself, she longed for him. She would see him one more Sunday, she decided, perhaps two. Then she would tell him the things she had known all along: that it wasn't fair to her, or to his wife, that they both deserved better, that there was no point in it dragging on. (p. 60)

From the proof above shows that it is undeniable that Miranda misses Dev, she decides that she will meet Dev either in one day or two more days. Then she wants to tell the things that she had known so far, which she had been keeping hidden. Miranda feels that this is unfair to her or his wife. Even the two of them deserved better, there is no point in getting caught up in this as well.

3.2 The Factor that causes of infidelity

In this part discusses the factor that causes infidelity in "What is Remembered" and "Sexy" stories.

3.2.1. "What is Remembered"

The factor that causes infidelity is due to circumstance factor in the "What is Remembered" short story is when Dr. Asher volunteered to take Meriel to her aunt's place. As the quotation "The man who'd been talking to the doctor had not had any choice but to listen to this conversation, and he said unexpectedly," 'Let me drive you.' (p. 7-8). 'You can't,' she said. 'You'd miss the ferry.' She reminded him of their arrangement with the sitter. (p. 7). Meanwhile, Pierre cannot deliver Meriel because he is on business with his sitter, as shown on page 7. Meriel initially does not know a man named Dr. Asher. She first meets Dr. Asher at Jonas's funeral.

Jonas's mother might not have been listening. Looking across the room, she said, "That's the doctor who looked after him. He flew down from Smithers in his plane. We thought that was so good of him." Pierre's mother said, 'That's quite an undertaking.' ... and Meriel felt as if something had been settled between them. (p. 6)

The proof above shows that Meriel did not know Dr. Asher at all. She only finds out when Jonas' mother looks across the room and says that Dr. Asher is the one who takes care of Jonas. He flies from the Smithers in his plane. Mrs. Pierre responds to Jonas' mother by saying that Dr. Asher is a pretty tough undertaking. When the conversation happened, Meriel is there and listening to him. The incident continues when Meriel wants to visit her aunt named Murial. At that time, her husband Pierre cannot take her because she has other business, in

which if she takes Meriel, her husband will miss the time. Then, Dr. Asher hears Pierre and Meriel's words, so he decides to help Meriel take her to where her aunt lives. Pierre agrees to that and allows Dr. Asher to leads, Meriel.

Another evidence that affects infidelity between Dr. Asher and Meriel is when they finish visiting Muriel's aunt, Dr. Asher doesn't take Meriel to Pierre immediately, but he offers Meriel to go somewhere. As the quotation below:

'Where to?' he said when they were driving. Then, as if he thought he had spoken too brusquely, 'Where would you like to go?' (p. 13)

'How about Stanley park?' He said.

'Would you like to go for a walk in Stanley Park?' She said 'Oh, Stanley Park. I haven't been there for ages,' (p. 13)

Based on the evidence above, Dr. Asher may have feelings for Meriel as he tries to buy Meriel's time. If there aren't any feelings for Meriel, Dr. Asher only intends to help Pierre because Pierre can't deliver Meriel. After his goal is over to take Meriel to her aunt's place, he will take Meriel back to her husband immediately, Pierre. But in the end, Dr. Asher suggests going to Stanley Park, and Meriel agrees since she doesn't visit Stanley Park for a long time. So, they go to Stanley Park by mutual agreement.

After Meriel is delivered to Pierre, the relationship Meriel and Dr. Asher end. Like this quotation "She would never see Asher again" (p. 16). Their relationship is also unknown to Pierre until her husband died. As this proof, "It wasn't until after Pierre was dead that she remembered one further detail. He had driven her to Horseshoe Bay, to the ferry." (p. 18).

3.2.2 "Sexy"

The factor that causes infidelity in the "Sexy" short story is due to Dev who has a long-distance relationship with his wife and he meets with Miranda. This incident happened a week ago when Miranda takes a break for lunch and then buys stockings at a discount in the Basement. As the following this quotation "She'd met him a week ago, at Filene's. She was there on her lunch break, buying discounted pantyhose in the Basement." (p. 48-49)

After that, she goes to the cosmetics department store just to buy lipstick. Then she notices a male figure standing at a window to pay for her groceries. "Miranda noticed a man standing at one of the counters." (p. 49). When the man pays, he takes off the pork skin gloves. He pulls the money out of his burgundy wallet. Also, Miranda sees that the man is not wearing a wedding ring. "To pay, he had taken off pigskin gloves. Crisp bills emerged from a burgundy wallet. He didn't wear a wedding ring." (p. 49). Dev is a married man, but he does not wear his wedding ring when he is outside. "Somehow, without the wife there, it didn't seem so wrong. At first Miranda and Dev spent every night together, almost." (p. 50). Dev thinks that when he is not with his wife then what he is doing is not wrong and they spend time together without Dev's wife, knowing.

In this story, the end of the story is when Miranda realized that her relationship with Dev is bad. Because Dev has a wife. Miranda starts to avoid Dev. Also, Miranda realized that she and his wife deserve better than this. As this quotation below:

On Sunday, Dev called to tell Miranda he was on his way. 'I'm almost ready. I'll be there at two.' She was watching a cooking show on television. A woman pointed to a row of apples, explaining which were best for baking.

- 'You shouldn't come today.'
- 'Why not?'
- 'I have a cold,' she lied. It wasn't far from the truth; crying had left her congested.
- 'I've been in bed all morning.' (p. 60)
- "Then she would tell him the things she had known all along: that it wasn't fair to her, or to his wife, that they both deserved better, that there was no point in it dragging on." (p. 60)

The proof above explains that Miranda lies to Dev when he wants to meet

Miranda. Miranda reasoned she is getting sick. Even though he is crying. Then

Miranda thought that he and his wife deserve better treatment than this

3.3 The Similarities and Differences

After analyzing the infidelity description above, this study finding the similarities and differences between "What is remembered" and "Sexy" short stories.

3.3.1 Similarities and Differences in Characterization

3.3.1.1 Similarities in Characterization

What these two short stories have in common is that they both discuss the issue of infidelity. First, there are similarities between the two characters who have infidelity in the two short stories, namely having a selfish nature. Dr. Asher and Miranda are selfish. In other words, they think about their happiness and do not think about how Pierre as Meriel's husband and Dev's wife, will feel. Besides that, Meriel and Dev also dos not object to the forbidden relationship. This

quotation that shows Dr. Asher and Meriel is a selfish person. "Take me somewhere else," she said. He looked her in the face. He said, 'Yes' There on the sidewalk in the world's view. Kissing like mad. (p. 14)

This quotation shows Miranda and Dev is a selfish person:

"But after she watched his car disappear down Commonwealth Avenue, back to his house in the suburbs, where he lived with his wife ..." (p. 48)

"Somehow, without the wife there, it didn't seem so wrong. At first Miranda and Dev spent every night together, almost." (P.50)

They went to movies at the Nickelodeon and kissed the whole time. They ate pulled pork and cornbread in Davis Square, and a paper napkin tucked like a cravat into the collar of Dev's shirt. They sipped sangria at the bar of a Spanish restaurant, a grinning pig's head presiding over their conversation. (p. 51)

Strengthened by the proof above, they often meet and spend time together. Such as watching a movie, taking a walk, eating together, and sharing stories in Miranda's apartment. "Only Miranda never slept. She watched the clock on her bedside table, or pressed her face against Dev's fingers, intertwined with hers ..."

(p. 53). This proof explains that Miranda is enjoying her time with Dev. She pressed her face against Dev's finger until her face was so close and touched Dev's finger.

From some of the quotations above, Dev and Miranda have selfish natures. Dev is said to be selfish because he is in a relationship with another woman behind his wife. He did not think at all how his wife would feel if he found out that her husband had a relationship with another woman when he was away from her. Miranda is said to be selfish because she is in a relationship with Dev, a married man, even though when she first met Miranda she knew that Dev was

wearing a wedding ring. "He didn't wear a wedding ring." (p. 49) That means he knows that Dev is married, but he still wants to be in touch with Dev. Want to be invited to sleep together, go for a walk, spend time together at Miranda's apartment and do many things together

3.3.1.2 The Differences in Characterization

The difference between these two short stories is that first, "What is Remembered". In this short story, Meriel is a selfish person because she attaches importance to her happiness. After she is shocked and trapped in a condition where she kisses Dr. Asher without being planned, she makes her relationship closer to Dr. Ahser as this quotation "It wasn't until after Pierre was dead that she remembered one further detail.

He had driven her to Horseshoe Bay, to the ferry. He had got out of the car and come around to her side. She was standing there, waiting to say goodbye to him. She made a move toward him, to kiss him... (p. 18)

In "Sexy" short story, he is a selfish person because Dev is away with his wife. So that maybe he feels bored and looks for fun with other women, without his wife knowing. As this quotation "...because his wife called every day at six in the morning, from India, where it was four in the afternoon." (p. 50)

To make it simple, the researcher puts the difference in the table as follows:

Table 3.3.1.1 Similarities in Characterization

Alice Munro's "What is Remembered" and Jhumpa Lahiri's "Sexy"

They have a selfish nature

Table 3.3.1.2 Differences in Characterization

Alice Munro's "What is Remembered"	Jhumpa Lahiri's "Sexy"
In this short story, Meriel is selfish	In a "Sexy" short story, Dev is a selfish
people because she trapped by	people because he is away from his
circumstances, a situation where when	wife, and he was in a relationship with
she visited her aunt and was delivered	another woman without his wife
by a man, namely Dr. Asher with the	knowing
consent of her husband, and in the end,	
Meriel liked Dr. Asher without being	
noticed by her husband	

3.3.2 Similarities and Differences in Factors

3.3.2.1 Similarities

The common factor of the two short stories is that their infidelity is caused by circumstances. The factor of the situation in "What is Remembered" story is Pierre who could not take Meriel to his aunt's place and he was finally delivered by Dr. Asher. This situation is what makes the affair between them happen. On "Sexy" story. Dev, who is away from his wife, meets a beautiful and sexy woman

named Miranda. Due to these circumstances, Dev was in a relationship with Miranda behind his wife

3.3.2.2 Differences

In this part discusses the different circumstances that trigger an affair.

First, there is a "What is Remembered" story when Dr. Asher volunteered to take Meriel to her aunt's place. As the quotation "The man who'd been talking to the doctor had not had any choice but to listen to this conversation, and he said unexpectedly," 'Let me drive you.' (p. 7-8). Dr. Asher who happened to be near Meriel and Pierre while they are talking about Meriel wanting to visit her aunt, Dr. Asher is listening to their conversation and he is offering to escort Meriel. 'You can't,' she said. 'You'd miss the ferry.' She reminded him of their arrangement with the sitter. (p. 7). Meanwhile, Pierre is eager to deliver his wife, but Meriel reminds Pierre that if he delivers Meriel he will miss the ferry dan because he is on business with his sitter.

To make a clear cut, the researcher puts the similarity in the table as follows:

Table 3.3.2.1 Similarities

Alice Munro's "What is Remembered" and Jhumpa Lahiri's "Sexy"

Their affair was caused by factors of circumstances

Table 3.3.2.2 Differences

Alice Munro's "What is Remembered"	Jhumpa Lahiri's "Sexy"
The infidelity in this story was due to	The infidelity in this story is due to
circumstances in which Pierre, who	circumstances where Dev is away with
could not accompany his wife to visit	his wife and he meets a beautiful and
her aunt and Meriel, was escorted by	sexy woman named Miranda, that's
Dr. Asher, that's where their	where their relationship is intertwined.
relationship comes in	

3.3.3 The type of infidelity

In this part, we discuss the types of infidelity in "What is Remembered" and "Sexy" stories. In "What is Remembered" has non-sexual infidelity because they just kissed. In Sexy story has sexual infidelity because they are often spent the night together at Miranda's apartment

3.3.3.1 Similarities

In both stories have similarities at this point where the two short stories have the same story of infidelity. In "What is Remembered" Meriel, a married woman is having infidelity with Dr. Asher. As the quote 'Take me somewhere else' she said. He looked her in the face. He said, 'Yes.' "There on the sidewalk in the world's view. Kissing like mad." (p. 14). Meriel says that she wants to go elsewhere. However, Dr. Asher sees her face and says 'Yes'. Then they kiss in the open on the sidewalk.

In "Sexy" story Dev, a married man has a relationship with another woman, namely Miranda as this quotation, "Somehow, without the wife there, it didn't seem so wrong. At first Miranda and Dev spent every night together, almost." (p. 50). This proof explains that without Dev's wife by his side and spending time with Miranda almost every night is not a wrong thing

3.3.3.2 Differences

"What is Remembered" and "Sexy" story has a different type of infidelity. In "What is Remembered" Meriel and Dr. Asher are in a brief, non-sexual relationship. They kiss on the sidewalk in the open. Their relationship is very short in just a matter of hours. As this proof, 'Take me somewhere else,' she said. He looked her in the face. He said, 'Yes.' There on the sidewalk in the world's view. Kissing like mad. (p. 14). "He had got out of the car and come around to her side. She was standing there, waiting to say goodbye to him. She made a move toward him, to kiss him surely a natural thing to do..." (p. 18). The evidence shows that Meriel and Dr. Asher are in a relationship without sex. They just kiss, and after Dr. Asher escorts Meriel to the nursing home where her aunt lives, they become even closer.

In the "Sexy" short story, Miranda and Dev have a relationship for quite long, but it is not clear how long they were together. But what is certain is that they often get together, such as, dinner, walking, watching movies, concerts and going to the flower shop, like this quotation below

Miranda and Dev didn't argue. They went to the movies at Nickelodeon and kissed the whole time. They are pulled pork and cornbread in Davis Square, a paper napkin tucked like a cravat into the collar of Dev's shirt. They sipped

sangria at the bar of a Spanish restaurant, a grinning pig's head presiding over their conversation. They went to the MFA and picked out a poster of water lilies for her bedroom. On Saturday, following an afternoon concert at Symphony Hall... (p. 51)

They communicate and meet frequently. As this quotation "During the day he called her every hour, it seemed, from work, or his cell phone. Once he learned Miranda's schedule, he left her a message each evening at five-thirty..." (p. 50). Dev and Miranda have a relationship with sex. They often spend time together at Miranda's apartment. As the quotation "At first Miranda and Dev spent every night together, almost" (p. 50). "The best twelve minutes of the week." He'd sigh, running a hand along the backs of her calves. Then he'd spring out of bed, pulling on his sweatpants and lacing up his sneakers." (p. 53). This proof shows that Dev sleeps in Miranda's apartment for a short time which is only twelve minutes but Dev thinks it is the best time of the week. Then he immediately put on his sweatpants and his sneakers when he wakes up

To make a clear cut, the researcher puts the similarity in the table as follows:

Table 3.3.3.1 Similarities

Alice Munro's "What is Remembered" and Jhumpa Lahiri's "Sexy"

Both of these short stories have the same story of infidelity. Married people cheat with other people outside of their marriage

Table 3.3.3.2 Differences

Alice Munro's "What is	Jhumpa Lahiri's "Sexy"
Remembered"	
In this story, their infidelity was not	In this story, their infidelity was
accompanied by sex, only kissed	accompanied by sex

In these two short stories, there are similarities and differences the two stories such as characterization, factors of the occurrence of infidelity, and the type of infidelity. In addition, similarities can exist between the two stories because they were written by female authors, namely Alice Munro and Jhumpa Lahiri. They make the character who is having infidelity have selfish nature in their infidelity. The difference is that the characters in "What is Remembered" short story tells the story with a character who is not far from Munro's birthplace, Canada. Meanwhile, Jhumpa Lahiri in "Sexy" short story tells about the characters from two different countries. Like Dev, a native of Bengali, India, and Miranda who is from America. Like the author's story, Lahiri was born of Indian descent but her nationality is American.

The differences in the two stories are possible to happen because the two writers come from different countries, which can cause many customs in the two stories. In addition, the writer made the ending of the story, which at the end of infidelity between the two of them was not known by their respective partners. In "What is Remembered" Meriel who was in a relationship with Dr. Asher was not recognized by her husband even after her husband died. In "Sexy" story, Dev, who is very likely to have infidelity because he is in a long-distance relationship

with his wife. His relationship with Miranda is also unknown to his wife. The similarity at the end of the story that the writer makes is the relationship between Meriel and Dr. Asher didn't continue, when Dr. Asher finished delivering Meriel to her husband they were no longer in touch, and Meriel never saw her again. In "Sexy" story, Dev's relationship with Miranda did not continue anymore. Because Miranda finally realized that the relationship between her and Dev was not good. She thinks that she and Dev's wife are getting better treatment than this.

CHAPTER IV

CONCLUSION

This research conducts two short stories, namely "What is remembered" by Munro and "Sexy" by Jhumpa Lahiri. These two short stories have the same issue, namely about infidelity. This research focused on describing infidelity from both stories. In "What is Remembered" story Meriel, a married woman has a relationship with another man, namely Dr. Asher. Their relationship lasted not long, they only have to kiss in the open, and when they arrived to escort Meriel, when they just got out of the car they acted as if they were a real couple. Meriel is waiting for Dr. Asher to get out of the car to say goodbye and kissed Dr. Asher. After Dr. Asher escorts Meriel back to her husband, that's where their relationship also ends. As said by Psychologist Ariani, A. S (cited in Panca 2016: P. 4) that it says to be infidelity if she has an attraction to other people in the form of small things such as stealing glances at each other to having intimate relationships. In "Sexy" story Dev is a married man and he has a relationship with another woman the name is Miranda. They often spend time together, such as walking, having dinner, watching movies, buying flowers, etc. They also spend time together almost every night at Miranda's apartment

Further, the reason for the occurrence of infidelity is due to the social process namely circumstances factors which are explained using the sociological approach by Laurenson & Swingewood (1972). Like Meriel in "What is Remembered" story, a married woman who has a relationship with Dr. Asher, the man she just met, their relationship started when Dr. Asher leads Meriel to her

aunt's place. This circumstance occurs because Pierre cannot take Meriel to her aunt's place because he has business. Dr. Asher is near them when they talk that Meriel is going to visit her aunt, and immediately Dr. Asher offers to escort Meriel and is approved by Pierre. In the "Sexy" story, Dev, a married man in a relationship with a beautiful and sexy woman, Miranda. The cause of infidelity in this story is because Dev who was in a long-distance relationship with his wife and he met Miranda. An accidental meeting made them closer and they even often spent time together at Miranda's apartment

In addition, this study also explains the type of infidelity in both stories. As explained by Shackelford, Buss, Bennett (2002). In "What is Remembered", the story has the type of non-sexual infidelity. Meriel and Dr. Asher just kiss in the open, namely on the sidewalk. In "Sexy" story has sexual infidelity. Miranda and Dev often meet and spend time together at Miranda's apartment. They also spend their time eating, traveling, going to flower shops, watching movies, etc. The last, Similarities and differences in both of the stories, which are analyzed in terms of characterization, the cause of infidelity, types of infidelity, and from the point of view of the authors.

The result of this study shows that infidelity in "What is Remembered" story is caused by circumstances. Pierre is Meriel's husband who cannot take Meriel to her aunt's place. So, Meriel is delivered by Dr. Asher, the man she had just met, and Pierre agreed. After they finish visiting Muriel's aunt, they don't go home right away, but they go to Stanley Park. That's where they kiss in the open, namely on the sidewalk. When Meriel wants to go to another place, then directly,

Dr. Asher kisses her. Dev being away from his wife, infidelity in "Sexy" story is caused by a kind of long-distance relationship. Dev finally meets a sexy woman named Miranda. They often meet and spend time together at Miranda's apartment. They also spend their time eating, traveling, going to flower shops, watching movies, etc.

The researcher does this analysis because this kind of study is never examined before. Several researchers analyzed infidelity in short stories, but all of them only analyze and reveal infidelity. In this research, the researcher analyzes the characters who are having infidelity, the characters related to the characters who are having infidelity, the factors causing the infidelity, the types of infidelity, and comparing the two stories by analyzing the similarities and differences in both of the stories.

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