

Moral Values in Novel *3600 Detik*: Literary Pragmatics Study

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Abstract

The problem raised in this study is how the form of delivery of moral values used by the author, the moral values contained in the main character in dealing with problems and the form of moral values contained in the novel *3600 Detik* by Charon. The purpose of the study is to describe the form of conveying moral values used by the author, the moral values contained in the main character in dealing with life's problems and the form of moral values contained in the novel *3600 Detik* by Charon. The approach used in this research is a theoretical approach (literary pragmatic theory) and methodological approach (qualitative descriptive approach), and is studied using literary pragmatic studies. The method uses content analysis method. The data source is the novel *3600 Seconds* by Charon. The data collected is in the form of words or quotes. Data collection techniques in the form of library techniques. Data validity techniques are focused on two ways, namely increasing persistence and using reference materials. The results of the study concluded that the form of moral delivery consists of two components, namely direct delivery which is conveyed through the author's description and through characters and indirect delivery which is conveyed through events and conflicts in the novel *3600 Detik*. The moral values contained in the main character in dealing with life's problems in the *3600 Seconds* novel consist of five variants, namely disobeying school rules, caring for friends, never giving up, being firm and being honest. The form of moral values contained in the *3600 Seconds* novel consists of three aspects, namely the form of moral values in human relations with God, forms of moral values in human relations with humans and forms of moral values in human relations with oneself.

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A. Introduction

Literature work is an artwork that expresses the existence of human being with all their variations and twists creatively and imaginatively using aesthetic language as its medium (Ali Imron and Farida, 2017). Literature work is artwork which use language element as its media element and literature work is also functioned as a media to contemplate the deepest values of reader. Because literature work contains humans' experiences, so those experiences are expressed in such a way to gain the desired quintessence (Emzir and Saifur Rohman, 2015). A literature work has various kinds of type, one of forms of literature work is novel. Novel is a form of literature work, in its creation has tight relationship or bond with its author. It is because the author who becomes the main factor in the birth of a literature work (Wellek and Warren, 1989).

Novel is a form of literature work that presents various problems of life in form of narration or storyline. Furthermore, novel has supporting elements in it namely neatly arranged intrinsic and extrinsic element. Novel also contains various problems and conflicts in it. It makes novel as a literature work that attracts attention of readers or literature lover (Yohanes, 2017). A literature work in the form of a novel can also be studied from various approaches, one of them is literary pragmatic approach. Literary pragmatic approach has benefit on function of the spread and development of literature in society which aims so that the advantage of the literary work can be felt by society (Yohanes, 2017). It shows that the goal of literary pragmatic approach can give a benefit to readers through relationship of literature work with the readers themselves.

Besides, one of the main points that often becomes a problem in a novel is moral value contained in it. In the perspective of life, moral is a very important element. The work moral always refers to the good and bad of humans as humans. The presentation of moral in a literature work by the author can be done through character activity or author's direct narration. Talking about moral value, in this era there are so many moral degradations in various circles. The example of moral degradation in this era is lack of respect in behaviour and decrease of etiquette.

Similarly, lack of respect from young people on the older people both in behaviour and interaction in social society.

One of literature works that can be studied through a literary pragmatic approach and contains a lot of moral value problem in it is a novel by one of famous authors that is Charon entitled *3.600 Detik*. Besides, the reason the author chose this novel as studied object is because this novel is very interesting to be researched about various elements of moral value contained in it. Charon was born in Sukabumi City and he once studied at Informatics System Study Program at Bina Nusantara University and now he is living in Sukabumi with his parents. Besides novel *3.600 Detik*, Charon once wrote other novels such as *Tujuh Hari Menembus Waktu* and *Sembilan Misi Sang Penjaga*.

A novel entitled *3.600 Detik* by Charon, was published for the first time in 2008 telling a character's problem of life named Sandra which changed drastically after her father and mother separated due to divorce. Her father decided to live with her mother although all this time Sandra is not close with his mother, so that it makes Sandra become a naughty teenager. However, eventually Leon came who is able to change Sandra to be better. Besides, this novel also presents a story that contains various moral values that are presented through characters in its story.

Based on the problem above, the author in this case is interested to do a research by giving a title *Moral Values in Novel 3.600 Detik By Charon : Literary Pragmatic Study*. The choice of novel *3600 Detik* as a research material because stories in this novel present and contain various interesting problems or life problems to be reviewed or researched, besides in this novel there are also various moral values that give a lot of life lessons for readers.

Novel *3600 Detik* is well-known with unique theme, can make readers immersed in the story and this novel uses third person omniscient point of view, its storyline is well-arranged. Furthermore, this novel also has high moral value for readers. The choice of novel *3600 Detik* as this research material is one of means to deliver moral related-things to readers.

B. Research Method

This research used 2 approaches, namely a theoretical approach and methodological approach. A theoretical approach used is literary pragmatic theory. Methodological approach used is qualitative descriptive approach. Qualitative descriptive approach is research procedure researched by describing object of research based on fact (Sugiyono, 2017).

This research is a qualitative research with content analysis method. Content analysis method aims to collect and analyze documents (Sugiyono, 2017). Data is researcher's result of note either in form of word, fact, or number (Moleong, 2017). Data in this research are words, quotes, sentences, and story unit found in Novel *3.600 Detik* by Charon studied through literary pragmatic approach. Data resource in this research is a document in form of Novel *3.600 Detik* by Charon published by Gramedia Pustaka Utama, Jakarta. 8th print, 2012, 208 pages.

Data collection technique in this research used library technique, by using written resources. Data validity techniques used by researcher in this research was credibility testing technique consisting of two ways, namely increasing persistence and using reference materials. Data analysis technique used in this research by the author was interactive data analysis model proposed by Miles dan Huberman consisting of 4 parts, namely data collection, data reduction, data presentation, and conclusion.

C. Result & Discussion

1. Result

Data gained by researcher after doing research on Novel *3600 Detik* by Charon was form of moral value delivery as well as its form and effect for readers based on literary pragmatic approach.

a. Form of Moral Value Delivery Used By the Author in Novel *3600 Detik* By Charon Seen From Literary Pragmatic Study

Form of moral value delivery used by the author in Novel *3600 Detik* consists of direct delivery and indirect delivery.

1) Form of Direct Delivery

Form of moral delivery in a novel consists of 2 types namely through author and through character.

a) Author's Description

Charon as the author of novel *3600 Detik* has given a lot of benefits especially for touch of morality that can be accepted directly by readers and directly touch readers' heart or literature lover. The example is like the following quotes.

"Sandra shouted within her heart while looking at gym room ceiling. She does not know for how long she has been there. One thing for sure, she has been skipping class since this morning. She smokes while sitting in the edge of window, trying to remember how many ciggarates that she smoked. Frankly she does not remember, similarly when she does not remember how many schools she got into since last year. All of them never lasted more than ten days." (Charon, 2012: 7)

Based on the data above, the author directly describes the aspect of morality shown by Sandra character who has bad personality or bad moral values such as smoking, skipping class, and being naughty which is surely can not be imitated by readers. Through the data the author also reminds readers that what is seen from Sandra character is not a good moral in life and can not be imitated.

(1) Sandra

The existence of Sandra character in this novel gives important influence on other characters in the novel. As in the following quote.

"I will accompany you. I promise I will be fine even though you are not operated successfully! So do not worry and do your surgery calmly." (Charon, 2012: 191)

In the data above Sandra character puts big attention and care on Leon who is the one and only friend of her at school. It can be seen when Leon will be operated, Sandra is the one who keeps motivating and accompanying Leon in order to stay motivated to get cured and he also considers Leon more than a friend but an angel who is able to change her to be better.

(2) Leon

Leon is the second main character after Sandra in Novel *3600 Detik*. Leon is also a teenager with a lot of achievements at his school and arguably a good and smart student. It is proved in the following quote.

"I just want to be your friend, if you do not want to be my friend, it is okay! I understand! I will wait until you want to be my friend!" (Charon, 2012: 40)

From the data above it is seen that Leon really wants to be Sandra's friend, although he knows that Sandra is a naughty student who likes skipping class at his

school but Leon does not care with all of those. As a good student Leon does not choose to make friend with anyone, instead by him getting closer with Sandra so the bigger Sandra's change to be better.

(3) Mr. Donny

Mr. Donny is Sandra's homeroom teacher who is a close teacher with all his students and a teacher who is motivational and very educative in this novel.

"Enjoy your youth! Make friend as many as possible!" Mr. Donny said (Charon, 2012: 39)

The data above shows that Mr. Donny on Sandra obviously gives a motivation for readers. If studied through the aspect of morality Mr. Donny's saying in the quote above contains moral value for readers that is motivating other people in order not to be a person who is individual but must be able to be a social person dan make friend with anyone regardless of caste and position in life.

(4) Widia

Widia character is a parent or mother from Sandra character in novel 3600 Detik. In aspect of morality parents' concern on children is a precious form of love that readers can take message from in living daily life. It is proved through the following quote.

"I understand that you are sad. But at least talk to me. It is almost 1 year your behaviour does not change. I care about you!" (Charon, 2012: 19)

The data above explains that Widia really cares about her daughter Sandra. Widia is not so close with her son and conflicts often occur between both of them but Widia's concern and love on her daughter are still poured out even though Sandra never realizes.

2) Indirect Delivery

Indirect moral delivery found in novel *3600 Detik* is presented through event and conflict in the novel.

a) Event

One of amazing events in the novel is when Sandra knows that Leon has cardiac disease. That event gives interesting example of morality that is high value of friendship and caring attitude in a friendship and readers can take a quite meaningful moral value. As seen in the following quote.

Looking at Leon's pale face, Sandra gets really scared

“Do not talk anymore Leon” Sandra said. “We arrive at hospital in a moment! Hold on!

After that Leon lost consciousness “Leonn!!!” Sandra shouted loudly (Charon, 2012: 193)

The quote above shows loyalty in friendship of Sandra character. Sandra’s caring attitude and friendship are shown in an event where she always accompanies even worries about Leon’s condition. Until the last seconds for Leon, Sandra always accompanies her friend.

b) Conflict

Conflict that happen in novel *3600 Detik* by Charon is inner conflict experienced by characters in the novel.

“A friend to share stories with is dad. So when dad left her, Sandra’s life is completely ruined. The most go-to person all this time left her life. Sandra shuts herself tight for 2 weeks. Getting out of bedroom when she wants to drink water only. She eats from outside. No talking no going to school. (Charon, 2012: 9)

A conflict in quote above contains a moral value to remind readers that problems can be solved in a family way and must be able to pay attention to good or bad impacts from decision taken especially by parents.

b. Moral Value in The Main Character in Facing Problem of Life in Novel 3600 Detik By Charon Seen From Literary Pragmatics Study

1) Not Obeying School Rules

Not obeying school rules is one of examples of bad moral value that surely can not be done.

“This is your second day at school and you have skipped the class. I have seen your personal data from previous schools. There are so many violations that you did. Smoking, fighting with friends, dressing inappropriately at school, skipping classes until five times and many more.” (Charon, 2012: 37)

In the data above is explained bad moral values in Sandra’s character. In this novel Sandra often shows bad moral values in the beginning of the story such as smoking, skipping classes, and others. In this case, the author also reminds the readers to avoid what the main character does in this novel.

2) Caring About Friends

Caring attitude toward friends in novel *3600 Detik* is shown by the character through the following quote.

"I will not let you get sick again!" Sandra said. She catches Leon's hand and put her red jacket on the man's body quickly. (Charon, 2012: 168)

The data above also explains what Sandra character's form of care on Leon who is her close friend, in which Sandra always looks after Leon in order not to get sick. The value of friendship between Sandra and Leon is seen clearly in this novel.

3) Never Giving Up

Unyielding attitude shown by the character in Novel *3600 Detik* can be moral learning for readers. As seen in the following quote.

"I will prove that I will do the test well tomorrow! I will study right now." (Charon, 2012: 160)

In the data above, explains about unyielding attitude shown by Sandra character. Although Sandra knows that the test is very hard for her but she does not want to give up and will prove to Leon her friend that she is able to do the test despite the difficulty.

4) Strong Determination

The attitude of strong determination is shown in the following quote.

"I am an optimistic person, Sandra! I believe it will happen." Leon said confidently while passing by in front of Sandra (Charon, 2012: 40).

Quote in the data above shows the attitude of strong determination a Leon character. Although Sandra avoid being his friend some times in the beginning of story but Leon stays in his stance that he is able to be Sandra's friend even though he knows that Sandra is a naughty student at his school but Leon stays in his stance that he to be Sandra's friend who can change her to be better.

5) Being Honest

In this novel being honest is shown by the main character one of them as seen in the following quote.

Mr. Donny smiles *"I appreciate your honesty to not cheat. You could do it on the test yesterday."* (Charon, 2012: 85)

In the quote above explains how honesty shown by Sandra character. Even though she was previously a naughty student at her school, but her willingness to change to be better she proves when doing the examination that is by not cheating in the test at her school.

c. Forms of Moral Value Found in Novel *3600 Detik* By Charon Seen From Literary Pragmatics Study

Forms of moral value found in Novel *3600 Detik* consist of the form of moral value in human relationship with God, the form of moral value in human relationship with other humans, the form of moral value in human relationship with themselves.

1) The Form of Moral Value in Human Relationship With God

a) Praying to God

The moral value of praying to god found in Novel *3600 Detik* is in the following quote.

“Along the way to the hospital, Sandra’s heart beats irregularly. She prays that Leon is okay.” (Charon, 2012: 162)

In the data above shows Sandra praying due to worrying his friend’s condition. Along the way she prays to god that her friend Leon is okay and given healing. This Sandra’s attitude can be a model for readers that is under any circumstances we have to always remember God and also pray for healing both for ourselves and others.

b) Being Grateful

The moral value that show attitude of gratitude in this novel can be seen in the following quote.

Sandra turns her body around hugging Leon. *“I am really grateful that you are okay Leon. I thought you...”* Sandra did not finish her sentence (Charon, 2012: 110).

In the quote above shows attitude of grateful to god shown by Sandra character. She is really grateful because her close friend Leon is okay. As known that Leon has heart failure and often get hospitalized. It makes her feel really worried. But Sandra shows his gratitude when Leon gets better from his disease and she is really happy about it.

2) The Form of Moral Value in Human Relationship With Other Humans

a) Advice to Friends

In this novel advice among friends one of them can be seen in the following quote.

Sandra tries to comfort and advise. *“It’s okay, Leon. There is still next semester. You must be able to try better in the next semester.”* (Charon, 2012: 176)

The data above shows Sandra character advising and comforting Leon to get more motivated and try harder in trying that his test score gets better and that Leon is not dissolved in sadness because of his decreasing score.

b) Teacher's Advice to Students

In this novel teacher's advice to students is shown in the following quote.

"I think you deserve to get the second chance. Make sure this time you study seriously. You can go now." (Charon, 2012: 86)

From the data above, it is seen that Mr. Donny who is a teacher at Sandra's school giving advice to Sandra that she has to be more diligent in studying so that her exam can get a good score. As a teacher giving advice to students is an obligation that must be done.

c) Children's Love to Parents

The moral value in form of children's love to parents in dalam novel *3600 Detik* is proved through the following quote.

"A friend to share stories with is dad. So when her dad left her, Sandra's life is completely ruined. The most go-to person all this time in her life has left her life." (Charon, 2012: 8)

The data above shows one of forms of Sandra's love on her dad. As known Sandra is really close with her dad, not only as a parent but her dad is also a place to share stories with as well as a sharing friend for Sandra when her mom is always busy with her office works.

d) Parents' Love on Children

Parents' love on children in this novel can be found in the following quote.

"I love you, Sandra!" Widya Continued. *"You must be so sad now. I just want you to know whenever you need me, I will be there for you."* (Charon, 2012: 195)

In the data above, it is clearly seen that in this novel the author often shows values which is related with love on parents from perspective of human relationship with other humans. One of them is found in quote above showing how sincere a Widia character who is Sandra's mom who loves her daughter so much and is always there for her daughter. It is surely one of examples of morality for readers.

e) Love for Friends

Love for friends in this novel can be found in the following quote.

“Promise me that you will always be strong even though I am not by your side anymore. This time I ask that you believe me that no matter what happen, I will always be by your side.”

“I love you, Sandra...” (Charon, 2012: 195)

The data above shows Leon’s expression of love as Sandra’s friend expressed through letter before he died. Leon loves Sandra so much. Sandra is considered by him as the one and only best friend in his life.

3) The Form of Moral Value in Human Relationship With Themselves

The form of moral value among others.

a) Students’ Responsibility on Education

Students’ attitude of responsibility on education in this novel is shown by the author in the following quote.

“I forgot to study last night!” Sandra said

“but it is not an excuse you may cheat!” Leon said with a frown.

“Come on!” Sandra said in joking. *“have never you cheated all your life?”*

Leon shook his head *“never”* he replied seriously (Charon, 2012: 80)

In the quote above shows that Leon is a good and honest student on education.

It is proved when Leon knows that Sandra is making a cheat and he immediately reminds Sandra to not cheat and have to stay honest on exam.

b) Being Aware of Own Fault

In novel *3600 Detik* the attitude of being aware of own fault is in the following quote.

Widia stares at her daughter with teary eyed. *“Forgive me, Sandra. I have forced my will so that you live here and our relationship does not get better but gets worse instead.”* (Charon, 2012: 125-126)

Quote in the data above shows the form of attitude of realizing own fault from Widia character. Widia realizes her fault that is forcing her will so that her daughter lives with her meanwhile herself is just busy with her work making their relationship more tenuous. As time goes by Widia expresses that she really loves Sandra and regrets because she has forced her will.

2. Discussion

Novel *3600 Detik* is a popular novel published by one of famous authors that is Charon published in 2012 by Gramedia Pustaka Utama. Character moral values in

this novel can be model in daily life. Moral values in this novel such as parents' attitude of love and children and love among friends that can motivate readers who read this novel.

In general it is arguably that the form of moral delivery in a novel can be direct or indirect. In a novel may often be found a message that is really hidden that not many people can feel it, but there is also the more direct one and stand out (Nurgiyantoro, 2015). Characters' moral in literature has similar meaning with the definition of moral itself. A fictional work always offers moral value or moral message related to the noble nature of humanity in fighting for human right and dignity (Supriyantini, 2019). Moral value in the main character of novel *3600 Detik* by Charon is something the author wants to convey to the readers, that is messages contained in a literature work and messages suggested through story. It means that the author conveys moral values to readers through literature work both direct delivery or indirect delivery.

In general the form of moral value is grouped into the problem of human relation with oneself, human relation with other humans in social sphere in addition to their relation with nature, and human relation with God (Widyanti, 2017). Moral is something the writer wants to convey to the readers, that is meaning contained in literature work and meaning advised through stories.

D. Conclusion

Based on the result of research and discussion that have been done in novel *3600 Detik* by Charon is concluded as follow.

1. The form of moral delivery used by the author in novel *3600 Detik* by Charon has two components namely direct moral delivery consisting of 14 data and form of indirect moral delivery consisting of 4 data.
2. The main character's moral value in dealing with life problem in novel *3600 Detik* by Charon cover chatacters' bad and good moral values in the novel. Chatacters' moral value in novel *3600 Detik* consist of five types namely not obeying school regulation, caring with friends, not giving up, strong determination, and being honest.

3. Forms of moral value found in novel *3600 Detik* by Charon consist of three aspects namely the form of moral value in human relationship with god, the form of moral value in human relationship with other humans, and the form of moral value in human relationship with themselves.

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