

ABSTRACT

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There are a lot of child abuse cases happen in modern era. One of the cases happened in Bali, Indonesia which was the case of an eight year old girl who was abused by her foster mother until she died. Thus, it becomes the consideration to choose the topic and uses a novel entitled *A Child Called it* since this autobiographical novel contains child abuse experience of an American child named Dave. There are two statements of the problem in this study: 1) the dehumanization forms presented in the novel. 2) the impacts of dehumanization toward the main character's psychological state. In analyzing the problems, the approach used is psychoanalysis approach. This study found that there were two dehumanization forms suffered by the main character: animalistic and mechanistic dehumanization forms. The impact of his dehumanization toward his psychological state is depressive disorder that changes his emotion, cognitive and motivation negatively.

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