Altruism in the hobbit film of “the battle of five armies”

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ABSTRACT

This research analyzes about altruism found in the Hobbit film “The Battle of Five Armies”. The Hobbit “The Battle of Five Armies” film is the last film from the Hobbit trilogy which is firstly published in 2012, then 2013 for next series and 2014 the last published. The Hobbit is one of film adapted from the novel John Ronald Reul Tolkien. The Battle of Five Armies tells about few of human group trying to stay alive from Orcs the enemies of life with help each other. The aims of this research is explain type of altruism as found in in the Hobbit film “The Battle of Five Armies”.

This research uses descriptive method, because the datum of this research written on narrative, paragraphs, and descriptive. The writer finds out altruism consist of nepotisti, reiprocal and group. Furthermore, this research uses sociological approach. Sociological approaches help the writer to analyze in social side. Based on the result, the writer concludes that altruism can happen in each human relationship. There are relationships in family, friends, and groups. Finally, the writer knows that altruism can happened both by act and oral speech.

I. INTRODUCTION

The Hobbit “The Battle of Five Armies” this film is last of the hobbit trilogy. The condition of Erebor kingdom was not safe after Smaug the dragon was dead. The problem began from Erebor kingdom itself, the king wanted to look for the Arkenston as a symbol of Erebor crown find it between gold of stack. Every person was looking for the crown, but the Arkenston never find because Arkenston had found before by Billbo Baggins. Billbo Baggins had hidden to other especially for kingdom, because the kingdom will be crazy and egoism to socitey of Lake Town.

Therefore, the writer focuses on The “The Battle of Five Armies” film as the object researcher, because altruism is the issue and altruism as central of the story. The altruism activities to help each other without retains. Altruism behaviors have a wide meaning including the all of aspect in altruism. Although altruism has a meaning as the act for help each other without cares about the motif helper. In this occasion, the writer discussed altruism and giving the form of altruism.

Altruism is the act of human voluntary by group of human or individual to help each other without retains. According Batson in book of Altruism in Human (2011: 20) states that “a motivational state with the ultimate goal of increasing another’s welfare”. Besides that according to Margolis (1982) in Altruism: A Review of Recent Theory and Research (1990) by Jane Allyn Piliavin and Hong-Wen Charn states that “what defines altruistic behavior is that the actor could have done better for himself had he chosen to ignore the effect of his choice on other”. In addition, the individual of altruism thinking about the effect that’s individual done for other better. Generally, individual altruism has benefit to society and showing the social responsibility.

Furthermore, the writer chooses this film because, The Battle of Five Armies has performance and cost index different than before. The Battle of Five Armies performance gets the best of fantasy film and nine award nomination. With index production is about US$ 250 million and total profit is about US$956,019,788. The Hobbit “The Battle of Five Armies” this film is produced by New Line Cinema comp, Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer and time Warner Company. They are the biggest as production film in Hollywood.

In the end, the writer believes the reflection of altruism in The Hobbit “The
Battle of Five Armies” film is able to give a lesson to spectator The writer believes that this research about altruism give of new mind set, because altruism often out of awareness in human thinking. The writer wants to explore altruism side by this research that discussed about altruism

II. Methods

In this research, the writer just limits on the type of altruism onthree types. They are nepotistic altruism, reciprocal altruism, and group based altruism. The writer uses descriptive method. Descriptive method aims to get all data in this film more detail and try to correct more helper about the data needed. Descriptive methods can use if the writer found some of the theories and hypothesis about problem and phenomena is enough

Descriptive method purpose is giving the detail of the writer method for analysing object of research. So, this method is explained the social issues or phenomenon that is happening in film. In this occasion, the object the writer in the hobbit film phenomenon. Moreover, the writer uses descriptive method because the writer explains the content of research in dialogue and scene on paragraph form that has the relation between the character and scene. Furthermore, it’s has no numbers or statistics as tools of collecting data. The writer would explain the cases or problem that exists in the film by identify, classify, interpret, describe, and then made conclusion. Finally, descriptive method makes the reader understands the research easily.

III. Result

1. The Type of Altruism
a. Nepotistic

Datum1: 00.07.48-00.07.58
Situation: While Bain ran off with his young brother and friends drove a boat he saw Bard, Bain’s father. Bain saw Bard shot the dragon with arrows but the arrows did not gave the effect because the skin of dragon was soupy made from gold and silver. Every Bard shot the dragon was always flung away, but the dragon can killed by black arrows. So, Bard brought the black arrows from the boat which had hidden by him before.

Bain : Dad...
Bard : Bain..! What are you doing? You were supposed to leave!
Bard: I came to help you
Bain : No...!
Bard : Nothing can stop it now.
Bain : This might (show at the black arrow)
Bard : Bain, you go back. You gets out here now

Datum2: 1.14.30-01.14.41, as follows:
Bard : My children? Where are my children? Women: I saw them! They were down in the old market
Bard : Market? Where are they now! Tilda! Sigrid!
Man: Bard! Orcs are storming over the causeway!
Bard : Get the bowman to the eastern parapet. Hold them off as long as you can. Archers! This way!
Man: The Orcs have taken Stone Street.
Bard: The rest of you follow me
Tilda and Sigrid : Da!
Tilda : We’re down here!
Bard: Bain..! Sidrid..! Get down!

B. Reciprocal

Datum 15: 01.00.04 - 01.00.42
Situation: The condition was bad after negotiation among Thorin and Bard failed. Thorin still egoism with his opinion if the wealth could not share with others whereas People of Lake Town need it. Furthermore, Bard felt treason by Thorin whereas Thorin had promised gave some gold. Finally, the war could not avoid. Bilbo knew the condition could repair re-negotiation with Bard and the Arkenstone as assurance. He thought that impossible Thorin could win in the battle. Bilbo hopes he could avoid the battle and saved his friends from the death.

Bard : Why would you do this?
Bilbo : I know that Dwarves can obstinate and nigheaded and difficult. They are suspicious and secretive with the worst manners imaginable, but they are also brave and kind and loyal to a fact. We grown very fond of them and I would save them if a can now. Thorin values
this stone above all else. In exchange for its return, he will give you what you are owed. There will be no need for war.

**Datum 16: 01.37.10 - 01.37.32**, as follows:
Bilbo :Thorin
Thorin : Bilbo!
Bilbo : You have to leave here, now! Azog has an army attacking from the north. This watchtower will be surrounded, with no way out.

Dwalin: We are so close. That Orcs scum is in there. I saw we push on.

Thori : No, that’s what he want. He wants to draw us in. This is a trap.

Thorin : Fili, no...! Fili... (the Azog’s sword has pricking Fili)

**Datum 17: 01.43.12 - 01.44.40**
Situation: Their relationship was very special, because they were falling in love. They were different clan but they have the same felt. Tauriel came help Kili because Kili fought Bolg stronger than him. So Tauriel came to help but she could not saved and Kili killed in front of her eyes.

Tauriel: No..! kili..! (Bolg’s sword has pricking Kili)

C. Group-Based

**Datum 18: 00.15.25 – 00.18.29**
Situation: The crying of people after they had attacked by dragon. They were loss of family and the leader. They angered to vice of governor because they decamp with gold and didn’t fought the dragon. The governor was die and deputy still alive, but not a leader. The leader person of Lake Town was Bard, the dragon slayer.

Woman I: These are dry, you’ll need them
Woman II: Thank you
Woman I: Here...
Alfrid: Oii...! Give me of them. I’ll catch my dead in this cold
Woman I: Find your own! You’re not in change Alfrid Lickspittle.

Alfrid: You are wrong in the absence of the master, the power cedes to his deputy. Which is in this instance is my good self. Now give me that blanket.

Woman I: Master Deputy? Don’t make me laugh, you are sneak-thief. I’ll be dead before I answer to you

Alfrid: Maybe that can be arranged


Man I: It was Bard! He kills the dragon! I saw it with me own eyes.

He brought the beast down! Shot him dead with a black arrow.

All people: Thank you, Bard! Good man! Thank you. You’ve saved us all.

Bard: Enough! Let him go! Let him go! Look around you! Have you not had your fill of death? Winter is upon, we must look to our own. To the sick and helpless. Those who can stand, tend to the wounded. Those who have Strength, follow me. We must salvage what we can.

Woman I: What then? What I’ll do then?
Bard: we find shelter.

**Datum 24: 01.25.10 – 01.25.50**, as follows:

Fili: I will not hide behind a wall of stone whole others fight our battles for us! It’s not in my blood thorin.

Thorin: No, it is not. We are son of Durin and Durins folk do not flee a fight

**Datum 25: 01.26.05 – 01.26.26**, as follows:

Thorin: I have no right to ask this of any of you. But will you follow me on last time?

All people: ..... (just silent and stand up with their guns as sign to accepted help other)

IV. Discussion

I. The Type of Altruism

a. Nepotistic

Nepotistic altruism is one of type altruism. Nepotistic happens several times. The writer finds out five data in the Hobbit film, but the writer only discussed some of them. Nepotistic shows like escape and care. Care is the act of someone based of condition
recipient in danger or need a help. The human who is gives help care is always in family. Based on conversation in Datum1: 00.07.48-00.07.58 it shows that the boldness of Bard’s children. Bain tries helping his brother although that’s dangerous and risking of safety for his lives. Bain know that he is the best and last opportunity for his father. The writer guess act is an escape for emergency situation, because he gives black arrows as the escape of the problem. Escape is the act helper give something as the solved the problem. On the hand, failure of the helper can be regret in next time.. The writer found act to reduce regret of someone especially for family.

The situation in Datum2: 1.14.30-01.14.41 about a town near Erebore kingdom had attacked by the enemies of Orcs. The town was very chaotic, the Orcs could pierce of the town hall and the people being panic. On the other hand, enemies of Orcs made Bard felt concerned about his children. He looking for his children in everywhere, but he didn’t find them. Finally, he got the information from a woman told about his children location. The writer assumes that the emergency conditions someone must be help, because the father is impossible ignore his children safety. Someone cares about the safety of family especially children is nepotistic altruism, because that has related with parents, family or descent.

B. Reciprocal

Reciprocal altruism is one of type altruism. Reciprocal happens several times. The writer finds out twelve data in the Hobbit film, but the writer only discussed some of them. The factors of Reciprocal shown like empathic concern, condition and empathic produce altruism.. Empathic concern also has related reciprocal because altruism comes from emphatic of someone, so that impossible if someone help each other without feeling of empathic.

Bilbo rebuild of new negotiations although his act illegal because negotiation between Thorin and Bard had failed. The cares of Bilbo is determined because just himself can be solved the problem. Determined by Bilbo also happen in Datum 16: 01.37.10 -01.37.32 Bilbo went to watchtower warn Thorin if that was a trap to killed him. Bilbo knew the information from Gandalf and legolas, so the information is credible. The position Thorin, Fili, Kili and Dwalin was very dangerous, they must leave that place. The writer assumes that determined by Bilbo gave effect of recipient. It shows Thorin statement. Thorin had conscious about after warn by Bilbo. The Billbowarn is a reciprocal altruism, because gives effect for goodness for all people especially for Thorin safety. The writer’s assume strengthen by Thorin said “No, that’s what he want. He wants to draw us in. this is a trap”. The writer thinks that his statement can gives an effect to other to leaving that place. It is mean reciprocal altruism because safe people from die. Robert (1971: 39) states that “Reciprocal altruism can also be viewed as a symbiosis, each partner helping the other while he helps himself. The symbiosis has a time lag, however; one partner helps the other and must then wait a period of time before he is helped in turn”.

Based on explanation in Datum 17: 01.43.12 - 01.44.40, that’s the failures of altruism. The writer guesses that the ending of recipient cannot to save, because every action of human care also has a failure. The situation that’s reciprocal happen because between Tauriel and Kili has a special relationship, so Tauriel tries everything to save Kili from the die, but she had failure. Nevertheless, Tauriel action is altruism although failed. Feeney and Collins (2001, 2003) in Altruism in human claims that people who report that the help and support they provide to their romantic partner is altruistically rather than egoistically motivated also report that their care is more sensitive and responsive.
C. Group-Based

Based Group altruism is one of type altruism. Based Group happens several times. The writer finds out eight data in the Hobbit film, but the writer only discussed some of them. The factor of group altruism shown like juxtaposed to egoism. Egoism in this side is the activity of someone who thinking about her/his opinion for the goodness of group. Someone can be egoism because some motive that’s goal of group. Goal of group can make the group has aims for goodness together. Moreover the goal of group in The Hobbit “The Battle of Five Armies” film is stay a lives and safe the people.

Based on the conversation and explanation in Datum 18:00.15.25 – 00.18.29 above, the type of altruism is based on group because they are care with people in people of Lake Town. The writer also found out that altruism can be happen if the helper feels empathy to other. The helper sees on the act of woman care to other, but she doesn’t care with people who someone just thinking about himself. That’s mean altruism happen when someone has a feels of compassion. The writer thinks that conversation between Alfrid and woman that a woman doesn’t care with Alfrid, because Alfrid a man doesn’t care to people lake town and an egoism man.

Moreover, people can feels empathy if someone feels sad. The sadness shows from the explanation above, because that is impossible someone cannot sad after they are lost home or their town. Empathic is one of the element the altruism create, because empathy is the first of basic someone do altruism. According to Batson (2011:11) say that “as defined, empathic concern is not a single, discrete emotion but includes a whole constellation. It includes feelings of sympathy, compassion, soft heartedness, tenderness, Sorrow, sadness, upset, distress, concern, and grief”. The writer concludes that empathic is the important basic of altruism because all people cannot be a social human without emphatic. The writer also found the result the condition above, the writer sees the condition of awareness people of Lake Town in past. The condition possibility is destruction, people of Lake Town has experienced for that.

The conversation in Datum 24: 01.25.10 – 01.25.50, between Fili and Thorin shows that Fili had angry with his king because, Thorin give the command to stay in the hall and save the wealth of the mountain. Fili feels that is not fair, there are much soldier consist of Elf and human help him but Thorin just silent and do not anything. Then, Fili’s suggestion can accept. Based on act above, the writer guess someone also gives reprimand before Dwalin’s reprimand. So there are two of reprimands and that’s reprimand into the king’s heart. The king accepted reprimand by Fili and Dwalin because, the true king is understands the condition of fate and the importance together is absolute. The writer concludes that the king and members has the same goal in their lives. The war condition in Datum 25: 01.26.05 – 01.26.26 above cannot predict and the soldier begins to die because the enemies much. Thorin gets much of suggestion to fight and gives help to others. He has aware that his lives not behind the walls and silent. The writers see that’s Thorin make out his egoism confidently. Then, the king can solve the war for all people. Finally, he asks to his group to fight the enemies. The writer thinks that Thorin as the king of Erebore has change of his mind about war condition because member influence of Dwarves. From that result, the writer assumes altruism.

2. Altruism in Character

In this journal, the writer finds out some character acts of altruism in the hobbit the Battle of Five Armies Film. In this film that have some character include protagonist and antagonist, but in this part the writer concludes some character who act altruism in this film. The writer finds out 16 charaters. The characters are: Bilbo Baggins, ThorinOakenshield, Thranduil, Bard, Bain, Balin, Fili, Kili, Bofur, Dain, Legolas, Tauriel, Gandalf, Galadriel, Saruman, and Radagast. The writer finds out 16 characters but, the writer only discussed some of them, They are:

a. Bilbo Baggins
Bilbo Baggins is the main character in this film. He is the only one as the hobbit character and protagonist character in the Hobbit film. Bilbo chooses by Gandalf to be fourteenth the member of group to journey Lonely Mountain. He has wisdom and bravery that rescues the Dwarves on multiple occasions and makes possible for them to the end of their journey. Moreover, Bilbo gets a magic ring so that makes him invisible. This ability makes him brave and to give help others. In this film, Bilbo does altruism in several times.

b. Thorin Oakenshield
Thorin is the leadership of Dwarves and heir to the title king under mountain. The king under mountain or called Erebor was dying on the hand of orcs, so he is the only of heirs Erebo Kingdom. When he gets the mountain, he becomes greedy and obsessed with health. He ignored to share of the treasure of Erebor kingdom to build Lake Town. The rejection to give help of Lake People makes him arrogant, it is as the bad character or antagonist. But, everything has changed after the enemies comes and threaten all people include man, dwarves, Elves. Suddenly, he becomes a hero to give help in other occasions. So, the character has changed from antagonist to protagonist or called as round character. Thorin give help in several time.

c. Bard
In this film, Bard is the protagonist character and he has three kids. Bard is the people of Lake Town. After the master of the town was die because the dragon burnet the town. So he becomes a hero to save people lake town with his ability of shot with bow and black arrow and he called as the dragon slayer. Afterwards, the people want to make him king, but Bard doeset begin with trouble. He leads army of men and leads all people of Lake Town to Erebor kingdom to ask a help. Brad does altruism in several times.

d. Thranduil
Thranduil is the king of Elves. He comes to Erebor kingdom for two reason, first to give help people of Lake Town and then claim the treasure of Erebor kingdom. While negotiation with Thorin as the king of Erebor, suddenly the enemies comes and he command to his soldiers destroyed. Thranduil does altruism in several times.

e. Gandalf
Gandalf is the wizard in this film. He is the character who doesn’t care about the treasure of Erebor kingdom. He also cares about the next of lives all people and stopped the darkness. He always gives the idea to solve the problem and gives reprimand. Gandalf does altruism several in several times.

V. Conclusion
The knowledges of social aspect in literatures about film, like The Hobbit “The Battle of Five Armies” film. The writer hopes that the other writers will interest and continue the research in this film, with different paradigm. The writer believes that, The Hobbit “The Battle of Five Armies” film has many literature aspects can be analysed, especially in psychological and biographical terms. The writer realizes that this research still need a correction to be better because has many mistaken in written. The writer also need suggestion relates to this topic. So that, this journal can helps other writer to understand about altruism and to be reference for the next research.

The writer suggests to the reader, to imitate type of altruism in reader lives. Altruism is best acts in relationship between other. Moreover, altruism can build up the happiness in family, friends or group. Firstly, altruism doing in family is a family as friendship and gets a pleasure in your family then ignoring. Then, altruism doing in other people or friends, be a partner for other and gets the new worlds. Last, doing altruism in group is a new family in group and gets the new family who is always caring. As human social, the writer suggests to the reader for don’t ignore someone help to other. Each person was born with social status and they cannot leave of the status as social human because human cannot live alone. The little things act the altruism is care the member of family. That is called as nepotistic altruism, and the individual can do altruistic in your
relation with other, such as your friends, etc. Moreover, the individual also do altruism widely in your group. When the individual on the group and the activities more interested because has more people do, just not alone. The atmosphere feeling creates the individual more confident and enjoyed the lives. Furthermore, do altruism in group makes the recipient infected by altruism behavior, and then do the same thing as interrelationship between human in social life. On the other hand, altruism does sincere and be social human. When individual can not to sincere, disorder feeling comes. Individual is always thinking and hopes the benefit get, whereas that is creates restless and make unhappy in their life. In the end, the individual had not choice can be a social human and acceptance in society. The individual must to do altruism and begins with nepotistic, reciprocal, and based on group

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