CHAPTER 1

INTRODUCTION

In this chapter, the writer explained about background, problem, research objective, and benefits.

1.1 Background

In the current pandemic situation, some people spend most of their time at home, especially teenagers who have a lot of time reading imaginative stories. Reading imaginative stories can make the readers get into the story and can feel the situations of each character in the story. Reading imaginative stories, especially in English, also provides benefits such as adding new vocabulary and allowing readers to learn English. Stories consist of various kinds such as; short stories, novels, storybooks, comics, and so on. Based on the data survey, which the writer shared in the google form, the results were that most teenagers from junior high school until university level had chosen short stories as a means of their entertainment. Short stories almost have the same thing as stories we could see in a novel, but the use of language and the number of words in short stories is lighter than in novels.

In this technology era, many teenagers are looking for opportunities to express their creative ideas in writing and publish them on social media. According to Pronoto (2004), writing means expressing ideas in written form or telling something to others through writing. Through writing, someone can share their story or idea and then it can be modified into a story that is published on social media. Currently, there are many applications or websites that can be accessed for writing and reading stories, such as google play books, amazon kindle, kobo books, free books, wattpad, novelme, and *storial.co*. Nowadays, the readers prefer to read stories via online instead of having to buy books at bookstores. One of the applications that the writer used to create the writer's own version of the short story in this final report is *storial.co* application.

In 2020, there was a Final Report which title was related to this case. The title of the research was "Writing a Short Story Entitled "Inside Two Hearts" by

Dhea Dwi Ramadhina. In her research, she just focused on the whole characters, and the genre of her story was romance. Meanwhile, in this final report, the writer would like to write a short story based on own version, with a flow of romance stories also and divided into two chapters in each story, and published the story through the *storial.co* application with the title "My First Sight and Love" where the story told about a woman who worked as tour guide and met the first love during the tour. The writer would like to publish the story on *storial.co* in order to make it easier for readers to read the story in just one sitting. In addition, the writer was interested in making short stories and sharing the short stories through *storial.co* because this application had advantages and benefits for all writers to earn royalties by selling chapters in their own writing.

The writer hopes that by writing short stories in English, the writer can not only share the writer's creative ideas, but also be able to open her own business in writing. Besides that, the readers will also get some benefits from reading short stories such as adding new vocabulary in English, and it is easier to access stories via online. Based on the explanations above, the writer was interested in writing this final report with the title "Writing a Short Story Entitled 'My First Sight and Love' For Publication at Storial.co."

1.2 Problem Formulation

Based on the background above, the problems discussed in this final report are how to write a short story entitled "My First Sight and Love" and how to publish a short story through *storial.co* application?

1.3 Problem Limitation

The writer made a short story and published a short story through an application called *Storial.co*

1.4 Research Purpose

The research objective of this Final Report is to find out the process of writing a short story "My First Sight and Love" through *Storial.co* application.

1.5 Benefits

- a. For the readers:
 - 1. The writer hopes that this research can provide knowledge to readers through short stories in English
 - 2. The writer hopes to provide information to readers about how to write and publish stories through the Storial.co application.
 - 3. The writer hopes that readers in general, both junior high and high school levels, can feel the short stories written and make this short story an alternative medium for entertaining.
- b. For English Department students:
 - 1. To expand and develop the ability to write short stories in English.
 - 2. For the next English researchers' reference in making the final report
 - 3. To add new experiences and at the same time as a reference for opening an own business through writing stories and publishing them on social media such as Storial.co.