CHAPTER II

LITERATURE REVIEW

In this chapter, the writer explained theories and literature related to the title of this final report.

2.1 Writing

Writing is an activity expressed by the author in the form of the author's ideas, opinions, feelings and messages indirectly to the reader in the form of writing. Based on the opinion of Tarigan (2008, p.3.), writing is a productive and expressive language skill that is used to communicate indirectly and not face to face with others. However, according to Zamel (2007, p.207), writing is a process where people can explore and find their thoughts and ideas in writing. Then, in line with the opinion of Rofi'uddin and Zuhdi (1999, p.159) who state that writing is the skill of expressing thoughts, ideas, opinions about something, responding to expressions of desire, or expressing feelings using written language.

Based on the experts described above, the writer can conclude that writing is a skill or activity to express the author's ideas, opinions, feelings, and messages indirectly through written language as the medium.

2.2 Short Story

There are three definitions of short stories that refer to the types, and size of the story according to the opinion of the experts. First, according to Thahar (2014, p.1), short stories are one of the most widely written types of fiction in relatively short forms, not as long as a novel. In short stories, the readers can finish reading short stories at one sitting, and it does not require a long time. In contrast to the novel, the reading can be completed several times or several days. It is in line with Nurgiyantoro (2002, p.10) who stated that short stories are defined as short reading which can be read once sitting in half or two hours. The characters, plots and settings are limited, not diverse and not complex. The writer of short story does not describe the whole details of the character's life, but only tells important parts. Then, Kosasih (2012, p.34) explained that short stories are stories that according to their physical appearance are short. The length of the story is relative, in general,

short stories are stories that are read for approximately ten minutes or half an hour. The number of words is around 500-5,000 words and usually, under 10,000 words. Therefore, short stories are often expressed with stories that can be read at one time.

Based on the statement above, the writer concluded that a short story is a fictional story in the form of the writer's imagination written in less than 10,000 words and can be read at one sitting.

2.2.1 The Steps of Writing Short Story

According to Hasanah (2019, p. 10) the steps of writing are:

1. Pe-writing

Prewriting is the first step in the writing process. This step helps the writer to come up with ideas about the topic. Before the writers begin writing, they decide what the writers are going to write about. Then the writers plan on what the writers are going to write. This process is called pre-writing. These are some steps in prewriting.

2. Drafting

Drafting is one of the activities that the writers should do before writing. In drafting the writers will write their paragraph from start to finish. The writer should use their notes to record their ideas such as the theme, genre, plot, and so on.

3. Reviewing and Revising

Reviewing and revising means reviewing structure and content. On the stage the writers check what they have written. In the beginning of the reviewing process, the writers will read their writing. The last in the reviewing process, the writers learn from other people's opinions to help them to improve their own.

1. Rewriting

In rewriting, the writers should do the following: making final correction. In this time, the writers have to check whether they have corrected the errors they discovered in reviewing the content, and making any other changes that they need to make.

2.2.2 Types of Short Story

There were types of short stories based on opinions from two experts. According to Bukhori (2017), although only a short, it turns out the short story also

has some types. But the difference between the types of one with the other types is only in the story length of the story. Here some types of short stories based the number of words:

- a. Short Story: Can also be called flash, is a short story that the number of words is only 750-1,000 words
- b. Ideal Short Story: That is a short story that the number of words between 3,000-4,000 words
- c. Long Short Story: It is a short story who has words counts between 4,000-10,000 words

Meanwhile, Tarigan (2011, p.180-181) stated that there were several types of short stories such as:

- a. One short story should be short, solid, and intensive.
- b. The main elements of the short story are scenes, characters, and motion.
- c. It depends on one situation. It means that a short story has a single theme or plot.
- d. A short story is that one should be able to read it in one sitting no more than 10,000 words. In another definition, the maximum word length is 7,500 words. In contemporary usage, the term short story most often refers to a work of fiction no longer than 20,000 words and no shorter than 1,000 words.

The writer concluded that short story has some types, but it is different between the one with others, such as short story and ideal short story. Here, the short stories should be able to be read in one sitting, and no more than 10,000 words.

2.2.3 Genres of Short Story

The genres into which literary works have been grouped at different times are very numerous, and the criteria on which the classification have been based are highly variable. According to Permana (2013) there are seven types of genres that often used in making short story, they are:

- 1. **Romance,** the story using this genre is the story that draws a romantic relationship between two people or more. They are characterized by a lovey-dovey, heart fluttering scene, and so on. There are many subgenres of romance, including fantasy romance, comedy romance, and so on.
- 2. **Action/Thriller,** in general the genre often puts the main character in physical danger. The story using this genre is characterized by the thrilling feels, high tension between the characters, quarrel scenes, and there is always a climax that offers the readers some relief.
- Science-Fiction, this type of genre incorporates any story set in the future, the past, or other dimensions. The story features scientific ideas and advanced technological concepts. In making this type of story, the author needs to prepare, and to build new words and the setting should define the plot.
- 4 **Fantasy,** this type of genre often takes place in the kingdom. The story of this genre usually uses myths, magic based concepts, and others.
- 5 **Horror/Paranormal,** this genre is about scary story where the main character must overcome supernatural or demonic beings.
- Mystery, the central issue of the story with this genre is a question that must be answered, an identity revealed, a crime solved. This is characterized by clues leading to rising tension as the answer to the mystery is approached.
- Historical, this type usually takes place against factual historical backdrops, important historical figures are portrayed as fictional characters.

Here, the writer chose romance as the genre of the short story. Romance is a genre story that focuses on the relationship and romantic love between two people, and must have an emotionally satisfying and optimistic ending.

2.3 The Functions of Short Story

They were some of the functions in short stories according to Nilakandi (2019):

- 1. Recreational function, which is a short story function that can make readers feel happy, excited, and entertained.
- 2. Didactive function, which is a short story function that can educate and direct readers through the values of truth in the short story.
- 3. Aesthetic function, which is a short story function that gives beauty to the reader.
- 4. Morality function, namely the function of short stories that provide moral values so that readers understand good and bad morals for themselves.
- 5. Religiosity function, namely the function of short stories that contain religious teachings and become role models for readers.

2.3.1 Storial.co

Nowadays, there is an application that we can use to write and read a short story such as storial.co. According to Utami (2012), there are some writing and publishing applications that can be used, they are *wattpad*, *storial.co*, *jotter pad*, *penana*, *and steller*. The most popular is storial.co. *Storial.co* is a site for reading and writing some stories that are easily accessed by anyone, anywhere and anytime. *Storial.co* aims to produce new writers. This application also has a writing community. Wirawan (2016) stated that *Storial.co* can allow someone to become a writer and upload his or her own writing digitally and can be widely shared to readers. In addition, *Storial.co* is a popular application that could be accessed easily everywhere and every time. *Storial.co* can be used by a lot of people either for reading or publishing stories.

From the explanations above, the writer concluded that *Storial.co* could be as a website or an application to share the work of people who like to write. Related to the title of this final report, the writer hoped *Storial.co* could be as an application or website to implement how teenagers could open their own business opportunities

by using social media through writing and also can be shared as well as sharing the short story in English.

2.5 The advantages of Storial.co

According to Triskaidekaman (2019), there were some advantages of *Storial.co*, they were:

- a. Storial.co has a reading minute measuring tool which is quite helpful.
- b. Storial.co implements a royalty system for each chapter.
- c. There are a lot of stories written in *Storial.co* which are quite high quality.
- d. *Storial.co* has a community of writers and the support from that community is good.
- e. *Storial.co* has a partnership with *Nulisbuku*, a well known independent publishing site. This is certainly very helpful for writers who want to publish or print their own books.