CHAPTER I

INTRODUCTION

1.1 Background

Teenagers can get some benefits by reading fiction and non fiction books. The benefits are opens up a door of knowledge andby reading many books people can develop their idea to make a story. People read not only about scientific but alsoabout fiction such as; short story, novel, comic, and so on. For a few people, reading is not only through a book but also e-book. For example at wattpad application, there are so many kinds of short stories started from teen fiction, romance, fantasy, and so on. Therefore, by reading that books, teenagers will get any pleasure during the reading process, but also some knowledge.

According to Yunus Abidin (2010, p.9), the purpose of reading are : *(a). membaca untuk pengetahuan, yakni membaca yang dilakukan untuk menemukan berbagau informasi. (b). membaca untuk menghasilkan, yakni membaca yang dilakukan untuk mendapatkan keuntungan dari segi financial. (c). membaca untuk hiburan yakni membaca yang dilakukan untuk mendapatkan kesenangan.*

It means that, Reading for information, It is reading to study for goal such as to obtain factual information and solve problem. The advantage of reading, it is reading to get the advantage or profit, from reading people can obtain knowledge, from knowledge people can be a teacher or writer and the product writer can sell it, so people can get the advantage for financial. Reading for pleasure means any reading that is primarily for enjoyment. It encompasses a wide range of genres and publications, and includes both fiction and non-fiction. For example, gardening or cookery books can be read as instructional texts in order to carry out specific tasks, but can also be read purely for pleasure. Similarly, fiction is often considered to be pleasure for read – but may also be read for academic study. Fiction: Novels, short stories, jokes, comics, poetry, lyrics, plays and scripts. Non-fiction: Reference books, newsletters, letters, emails, biographies, memoirs, newspapers, magazines, websites.

Reading for pleasure is needed especially for children and teenager. Because reading for pleasure has many benefits such as : it increases sense of achievement, confidence, self-esteem and self-awareness, it widens horizons, people can do read anywhere, it develops relationships and promotes inclusion and empathy through sharing opinions and ideas, it prevents boredom and promotes relaxation.

Howeverthe lack of reading interest in modern era is very bad, because people nowadays more often use the technology to read anything than read a book, so the level of reading interest is still low. It happens because young generations are lazy to read.One of the factors is sophisticated technology. According to Prastiyo (2009, p.45-48), There are 2 (two) factors that affect of low interest in reading namely internal factors and external factors as follows: *Faktor internal meliputi adanya kecendungan malas dalam membaca, kesibukan dalam beraktivitas, sehingga tidak sempat untuk membaca.Danfaktor eksternal meliputi belum memadainya sarana yang ada di taman bacaan, pelayanan yang diberikan kurang baik, status sosial, pengaruh lingkungan, dan kecendrungan masyarakat sekarang yang lebih bergantung pada multimedia saat mencari informasi.*

The solution for eliminating those two factors is increasing the level of reading interest for children and teenager, people should make a new things from book in order to make children and teenager have a spirit to read a book. It would be better if Government provide library with a complete book based on what they need.

The lack of reading interest will affect the quality of human resources.Central Bureau of Statistics (BPS) on 2012 states that the Indonesian people prefer watching television with a percentage of 91.68% and listening to the radio with a percentage of 18.57% compared to reading a newspaper that only about 17.66% (www.bps.go.id). Probably, text book is longer and boring andshort story can be good persuasive communication for people nowadays especially teenager. Because short story has implied messages and short story can also give information for the reader.

Short story can deliver many messages that reflects daily lives. People must be experiencing many things that are related to feelings such as; fall in love,

sadness, happiness, disappointment, anger, fear and so on. People can put those feelings into words by writing a story as a way to vent. Writing is one of many ways to spend a free time and by writing people can express their feeling freely. For example, writer have been read novel and short story in wattpad, the story based on author's experience itself. So,when people want to write a story they can use their experience become a story.

Furthermore, inspiration can be coming from another writer, many successful writers become inspiration. For example Raditya Dika, he started to write a story and his books was successful even there is a film based on his creation. By writing, people can imagine as high as possible like what people want in reality but do not happen.

As a young generation writer, the writer wants to put the ideas into a story about the problem of teenager. As people know teenager is the age when people look for their identities. Teenager still not be confident what teenager's ability. Teenager has ambition but there is no effort to reach their ambition.So that is why the writer wants to write a short story about teenager as a reading material to give informationfor teenager to keep confident and reach the dream. Therefore the title of this final reportis "Designing short story 'Hope'.

1.2 Problem Formulation

The problem formulation of this final report is: How is to design short story 'Hope'?

1.3 Purpose

The purpose of this final report is to find out the way how to design a short story.

1.4 Benefit

The writer hopes that this research can give knowledge to the reader about how to design a short story that contains a casual story from life experiences. Besides, the output of this research in the form of the short story can give motivation to the reader especially for teenager as a reading material.