1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 The Background of Study

Literature is a kind of art, usually written offer pleasure and illumination. Literature is also composition that tells us stories, dramatize situations, express emotions, and analyze advocate ideas. Wellek & Warren (1971:3) say, “Literature is the mirror of human life that portrays human feeling, thought, imagination and perception which can be viewed based on personal judgment.” Literature constitutes the imaginative act from the human’s imagination and interpreting life-experiences.

Literature can be divided into three genres, such as prose fiction, poetry and drama. In the sense of literary, prose also called fiction, narrative text, or narrative discourse. Fiction is a narrative work that tells something that is imaginary, something that does not exist and happen in the real world. As a work of imaginary, fiction directs various problems of man and humanity, life and living. Fiction tells the various problems of human life in the interactions with the environment and others. Fiction is the result of dialogue, contemplation, and reactions to the environment and the life of the author.

Among the genre of literature, novel is one of the prose fiction. Watson (1979:158) says, “Novel is a fictional prose narrative of length, usually with a claim to describe the real.” Novel is a picture of real life and manners of the time in which it was written. The novel has the intrinsic and extrinsic elements. The intrinsic elements are truly seen from the novel. There are five main intrinsic elements, they are: theme, plot, character, setting, and point of view.
In this paper the writer just explains one of five elements, just focuses on plot. Roberts and Jacob (1995:52) say that “Plot is based on the interaction of causes and effects as they develop sequentially or chronologically.” In the novel Aleph, Paulo Coelho shows the clear interaction of cause and effect. Paulo is having a crisis over his conviction because he thought that he was not in peace. He committed to traveling for signing session of his books. He meets a mysterious woman in his traveling and they tried to remember about their relation in the past.

The writer is interested in analyzing the plot used in the novel because it can show the sequence of conflict in the novel. The story is about how an old man meets his love who became victims of his cowardice in the past. They have forgotten about their love, but they were reunited. Besides, how they keep their love in the future.

1.2 The Scope of Study

There are so many aspects in this novel that can be described, but the writer becomes more interested in describing the plot in the novel. So, the scope of study is limited only describing the plot is pictured based on Aleph Novel.

1.3 The Problem of Study

How is the plot that consists of Exposition, Rising Action, Climax, Falling Action and Resolution portrayed in the novel?
1.4 The Objective of Study

The purpose of writing this paper is to explain how the plot that consists of Exposition, Rising Action, Climax, Falling Action and Resolution portrayed in the novel.

1.5 The significance of Study

The significance of Study is divide into two sections, they are:

a. Theoretical Significance, the study can be used to enrich the literary study especially in plot.

b. Practical Significance, the reader will understand about plot in a novel and the reader will know the story in the Aleph novel.

1.6 The Method of Study

The writer uses qualitative description method in doing in this paper. The primary of data sources is Aleph novel and the secondary of data sources are books and internet. The data in the words, texts and quotations form. The writer reads and notes that data then selects to be interpreted. Having understood the story of the novel, the writer can analyze the plot of the novel and can make the conclusion.
Method of Study’s Chart

The Writer

Source of Data
- Novel “Aleph”
- Books
- Internet

The data in words, texts, and quotations.

Conclusion

Read and note to selection, then interpret and analyze the data