1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 Background of the Study

Globalization brings both positive and negative effect. It gives great development in science, technology, economy, education and art. The development of art runs fast and music or song is one of the branches of art that has big influence for the people. Music is an entertainment that tells a story by mental image that giving the illusion and it is necessary because it becomes part of human life in this modern era. As William (1824:2) said “The only reality in music is the state of mind which it induces in the listener”. Music may represent the bad or good of human feeling; it is able to express their thoughts, experiences, emotions, and faith. Besides that, music also invites the hearer to come into the new world or new life, when they are listening to the lyrics of the songs. The effects of the music are not only influencing the people’s emotion but it is also changing brain waves and make the brain more receptive in learning. In addition, music is a part of literary work. Literary work is the art of written work. Literary work is commonly classified into two major forms; fiction and nonfiction. The kind of literary works are poem, song lyrics, novel, movie, drama, and etc. Music and literary works are very useful since they have various values such as moral, religious, educational, and sociological values. As Goode (1977:4) has stated that values are:

The standards that people share. These standards are used to judge whether something is good or bad, beautiful or ugly, right or wrong moral or immoral.
Values are typically supported by specific norms, that is, more detailed directions for proper behavior. Norms are the more specific rules or definitions of how we are supposed to act in a given situation.

The statement above explains that the sense of values are related to man’s belief of what is good or bad in the sense of moral behavior. Therefore, to decide which one is right or wrong is the man himself. It can be found out in one of the fragment of song lyrics by Westlife entitled “You Raise Me Up”. The lyrics are;

*When I am down and, oh my soul, so weary*

*When troubles come and my heart burdened be*

*Then, I am still and wait here in the silence*

*Until you come and sit a while with me*

*You raise me up, so I can stand on mountains*

*You raise me up, to walk on stormy seas*

*I am strong, when I am on your shoulders*

*You raise me up... To more than I can be*

The fragment lyrics "When I am down and, oh my soul, so weary. You raise me up... To more than I can be." show that there is a sense of moral value which reflects the struggle in life. The standard of belief are patient, struggle, and believe. And indeed in everyday reality, with the help and encouragement from others, the burden of the problem we face is sure to be reduced and it can make us bounce back from despair and instead we will be tough and strong. That's how life is, in this world we are not alone, do not despair when we face a problem, we need
the help and encouragement of others to keep us strong to face life. Generally, every writer has plenty of imagination stated in the lyrics. The message contains many ideas, such as social, satire, motivation, education, till a romantic. Literature is also one of media to show some of the meaning, one of them is moral value that presented by author. By the songs, poems, movie, or the other literary works, the author tries to teach and deliver good moral for the people. People have to improve and maintain their good moral. Morality is a common word to say, but it is very difficult to imply in human’s daily life. Since people were born, they have been taught about morality, however as the time goes by, the morality is decreasing. Morality is something that must be owned by human because without morality human will not be respected by other people. It will be easy for people to socialize with other and they will be accepted in the community. As Hurlock (1985) (in Niken, 2014:14). says “Moral refers to what is good or bad people’s relation to others”. Moral values can not only be obtained by discussion in formal situation or books, but also people can use songs to deliver the moral message of the songs. In this case, people will get bored when they get moral values from textbooks and the advice from their teachers or parents. Moral values can be well delivered by using music, because many people use song to express their feeling at the moment. It can give enjoyment, fun, and pleasure in studying. As Ursery (2002:1) stated “moral values are the people beliefs about what is important in life”.

As already be known, every song must have lyric. Lyric as quoted from the [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Lyrics](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Lyrics) is “a set of the words that accompany
music, either by speaking or singing”. The word of “lyric” derived from Greek “Lyricos” meaning “singing to the lyres”, “the rhythm of the entire globe written out like poetry”. It contains the message that is used to express human feeling and experiences. It has imaginative quality and specific characteristic of language used in, such as denotation, connotation, figurative and symbol. In this study, the writer would like to please the reader by presenting the message that can be found in the lyrics of a song suggested the moral for many people who like listening to music.

In the music industry, there are many bands or soloists. But there was one phenomenal boyband with famous works is Westlife. They are a vocal group/boyband who came from Ireland with values that are meaningful about the song that aim to inspire and entertain people and send a message and hope to the world. And they have a lot of popular songs to the album, Greatest Hits is the 2nd album Westlife themed Greatest Hits (the first was Greatest Hits: Unbreakable), which was released on November 18, 2011 by RCA Records and Sony Music, and became the last album released by Westlife, which in 2012 eventually dissolve self. This is the first album Westlife are not under the auspices of Syco production and not under the supervision of Simon Cowell, because they have left and Cowell's Syco in March 2011.

At Greatest Hits, there are a lot of old songs that once they release during their career, plus another with 4 new songs which was produced John Shanks, one song called "Light House" which is also the single that first they release this album (released on November 14, 2011), and single-2 they "Beautiful World" which was released on 17 December 2011, the compilation was released in two
different formats, (1. the standard edition there are 18 songs), and (to version 2. the special edition is mixed with many other singles and video clips from Westlife ever released first).

Post-release this album got an assortment of comments from music critics, which some of them praised the structure of a compilation of songs, but some do not like the style of music Westlife are implemented into the songs. The album became number 4 spot on the album charts in the UK, but this album managed to be rank-1 in the album charts in Ireland at the same time the album was included in the list of the top 40 album charts in New Zealand and Norway. The album was recorded in March 2011 with the same producer who produced the album Gravity is Shanks and new producers such as Dan Radclyffe and Boxsta Martin. On 5 September 2011 confirmed that the album was named "Greatest Hits". On this album there are new songs, including the Last Mile Of The Way, Beautiful World, Light House, Wide Open, Over & Out.

From discussion above, it is very challenging or interesting to do a research about the moral values in song lyrics. Therefore, the writer takes the title of this study as “The Analysis of Moral Values in Westlife's Selected Songs”.

In addition, related to the contents of literary work, Zerraña (in Escarpit, 1971:32) said that “the novelist seeks to reveal the essential disorder within the individual and society;” it means that, the writer tries to make sense of our lives and makes us more human, to do what is good in our live, to follow and practice our religious teaching, and to live more peaceful in the world. In other hand, in analyzing the values, it is also important to apply the theory of Hermeneutic, as
according to Schleiermacher, (in keserci 2013:2) “Hermeneutics was generally understood as techniques for understanding passages of a text that may be difficult to understand”. It means that Hermeneutics is a practical art, which is used in things such as lecturing, interpret other languages, describing and explaining the texts, and as the basis of the art of understanding ;an art which is specifically required when the meaning of something (text) is not clear.

1.2 Problem of the Study

In analyzing Moral values in Westlife’s selected song lyrics, the problems will be centered into two questions.

The questions that are relevant to the problem are :
1) What are the moral values found in Westlife’s selected song lyrics ?
2) What is the significance of moral values in life portrayed in the lyrics ?

1.3 Objective of the Study

The writer has some objectives in writing this study, they are as following:
1) To analysis the moral values in Westlife’s Selected Song lyrics.
2) To analysis the significance of moral values in life portrayed in the lyrics.

1.4 Scope of the Study

The writer limits the study only in the moral values from Westlife’s selected song lyrics. The moral values that are going to be discussed in this context are the standards that Westlife wants to share. These standards are covering the belief to judge what is right or wrong, good or bad, moral or immoral stated in the lyrics of the song. Thus, the writer restricts the analysis of moral values in terms of struggle, sacrifice, and attention from the composer as a person
or an individual. Westlife has eighteen lyrics, so, it is important to select the song lyrics that reflect the values. The writer chooses 4 hit songs from Westlife's albums, They are (1) “You Raise Me Up”, (2) “Against All Odds”, (3) “Flying Without Wings”, (4) “I Have A Dream”. Because those selected songs contain several values which is the background and the reason why the writer chooses this study.

1.5 Significance of the Study

The writer hopes that the result of this study will be beneficial both theoretical and practical.

1) Theoretical

The writer expects the result of this study can be advantageous to the world of literature as complement the study of song and contribute the development of moral values as reflected in Westlife’s album.

2) Practical

1) To build the appreciation for the people towards the song lyrics and the moral values contained in it.

2) To widen the horizon of students about values and other aspect from lyrics.

3) To get inspiration from the moral values for all students, and to build good character in each person.
1.6 Method of the Study

Descriptive analysis method is applied in this study. According to Ratna (2004 in Lisa, 2014: 12): “Metode deskriptif analisis dilakukan dengan cara mendeskripsikan fakta-fakta yang kemudian disusul dengan analisis.” (Descriptive analysis method is done by describing the facts then followed by analysis). From the method can be describe and explain the kinds of values and the purpose of values found in the lyrics. In analysis song lyrics of Westlife also conducted by library research. The writer reads some books and references that related to the subject matter, the writer collects and selects the relevant data. Besides that, some information are searched through web sites.