3. THE DESCRIPTION OF THE CHARACTERS

3.1 Lara Jean

Lara jean is the main character of the novel, she is very patiently person and a humble person. She is also mentioned as a protagonist because Altenberd and Lewis (1966: 59) says that protagonist is a character who is admired by the reader and the reader often give sympathy to the protagonist characters. And she is the people who get a sympathy from the reader especially me. She is also the kind and the patiently person in this novel.

Lara jean is an exaggerated and hyperbole person. She is exaggerate to face something especially to face her feelings like what she said in her letters to the peter,

Dear Peter,

I miss you, it’s only been five days but i miss you like it’s been five years. (Han 2015:1)

She is also exaggerated in the Han 2015:2 “Sometimes I like you so much I can’t stand it. It fills up inside me, all the way to the brim, and I feel like I could overflow. I like you so much I don’t know what to do with it. My heart beats so fast when I know I’m going to see you again. And then, when you look at me the way you do, I feel like the luckiest girl in the world.” The last of her words is making she is looks like exaggerated.

Lara jean being hyperbol in the chapter one of Han 2015:3 “I’ve got heart in my eyes and a letter that’s burning a hole in my coat pocket, in chapter two of Han 2015:13 “Peter opens the door. My heart jumps like a mexican jumping bean in my chest. And also in Han 2015:34 “Gazing up at peter, I
wishper, “this is my first date.” I feel like the nerdy girl in the movie who lands the coolest guy in school, and I don’t mind one bit. Not one bit.”

“I close my eyes and pretend to be asleep, and all I see is peter’s face. I don’t know what i want from him exactly, what i’m ready for... If it’s boyfriend-girlfriend heavy-duty serious love, or if it’s what we had before, just fun and some here-and-there kisses, or if it’s something in between, but I do know I can’t get his handsome boy face out of my mind. The way he smirks when he says my name, how when he’s near me I forget to breathe sometimes.” (Han 2015:5)

Lara jean is also a honest person. She is can’t be pretending her feelings to someone especially to the people arround her.

“we started hanging out in september.” At least that much is true. “we are not together right now; we are kind of on a break. . . . But I’m . . . optimistic.” (Han 2015:9)

She is can not lie, she is try to be honest to her cousin, although the truth is can’t be received by her like when haven ask her about her relation with peter in the Han 2015:8 “Is that your boyfriend?” Haven asks me, and I can tell she’s impressed and trying not to show it. I wish I could say yes. But....”

Lara Jean is an over-thinking person. “Nothing could sour my mood, though because I’m not even in this car. I’m somewhere else entirely, thinking about my letter to peter, wondering if it was heratfelt enough, and how and when I’m going to give it to him, and what it will mean. Should i drop in his mailbox? Leave it in his locker? when i see him again, will he smile at me, make a joke of it to lighten the mood? Or will he pretend he never saw it, to spare us both? I think that would be worse. I have to keep
reminding my self that, despite everything. Peter is kind and he is easy going and he won’t be cruel no matter what. Of that much i can be sure.” (Han 2015:4)

“But what, exactly, did I expect from peter? I’d give him the letter, and he’d read it, and then he’d love me? He’d take me in his arms; we’d kiss passionately, but just kissing, grew bored of me, missedgenevieve, wanted more than I was prepared to give, bedroomwise and also just lifewise? Someone like him could never be content staying at home and watching a movie on the couch. This is peter kavinsky we’re talking about, after all.” (Han 2015:14)

“He takes me to biscuit soul food—his favourite restaurant, he says. I watch him scarf down fried chicken with hot honey and tabasco drizzled on top, and I wonder how many times genevieve has sat and watched him do the very same thing. Our town isn’t that big. There aren’t many places we can go that he hasn’t already been with genevieve. When i get up to go to the bathroom, I suddenly wonder if he’s texting her back, but I make myself push this thought out of my mind tout de suite. So what if he does text back? They’re still friends. He’s allowed, I’m not going to let gen ruin this night for me. I want to be right here, in this moment, just two of us on our first date. (Han 2015:38)

Lara jean is also the kind of an agressive girl. She is can’t control herself for everyfeelings. “But peter doesn’t kiss me, not the way I expected. He kisses me on my left cheek, and then my right; his breath is warm. And then nothing. My eyes fly open. Is this a literal kiss-of? Why isn’t he kissing
me properly? “what are you doing?” I whisper. “building the anticipation” he said and quickly i say, “let’s just kiss” (Han 2015:18)

Lara jean is a supporter person, she can encouraged people arround her. “I bite my lip guiltily. I was the one who encouraged her to talk to josh.” (Han 2015:25)

Lara jean is a person who really easy to panic and hard to relax. “The last time i saw genevieve, she was telling everyone on the ski trip bus how peter and I had sex in the hot tub. I feel strong surge of panic, of fight or flight.” (Han 2015:35)

“I’m trying, but it’s sort of impossible to relax on command under these circumstances.”

Lara jean is the type of girl who likes cooking and has a skill for baking a cake. “It was Friday. I was baking a pineapple upside-down cake for my bridge club” (Han 2015:95) “That night I bake chai sugar cookies with cinnamon-eggnog icing—they’re like a hug in your mouth.

Lara jean is really easy to cry person especially about a relationship, she is not a strong girl. “This is what I keep teeling myself, even as tears as filling my eyes, even as I’m lying in bed that night, crying myself to sleep. I cry until my cheeks sting from wiping away my tears. This well of sadness, it starts with peter but it doesn’t end there.” (Han 2015:251)

Lara jean is an optimistic person. “we’re not together right now; we’re kind of on a break... But I’m... optimistic” (Han 2015:9)

Lara jean is not forgetful person, she is still remember everything clearly like about peter’s mom. “I remember the first time I saw your mom. She was throwing a dinner in her dorm called fakesgiving, and a buddy of
mine and I went. It was a big thanksgiving meal in may. She had on a red
dress, and her hair was long back then. You know, you’ve seen the
pictures.” (Han 2015:153)

Lara jean is a people who really want to know everything include the
feelings of peter. She is always afraid that peter will be cheating on her. She
is an inquisitive person, she also want to know the detail of peter’s
personality.
She ask to peter, “so, do you look at porn?” and peter says “Lara jean!” and
lara jean says “I have a naturally inquisitive personality! You know that
about me. You uses to answer all my questions.” (Han 2015:169)

Lara jean is not a type of person who liked to embrassed her friends
and moreover her enemys. She is look that geneiveve father’s as her enemy
is cheating but she’s try not to inquisitive because she don’t want to
embrassedgeneiveve. “I don’t want to see any more. I keep my head down
until they both drive out of the parking lot, and I’m about to start my car too
when geneiveve walks out, her arm crossed, shoulders bent. And geneiveve
snaps out “Did you see?” weakly i say, “No. I didn’t see anything”

Lara jean is the type of person who can’t believe someone again when
she ever hurted lied by someone as about geneiveve, she can not believe her
again. “she is just doing to manipulate you. It’s what she does” I hear the
jealously in my voice and I hate it. This is isn’t me. (Han 2015:214)

Lara jean is the loyal person, she can’t move on easily. She still wait
for peter’s back and she can’t love the other man although they are better
than peters. “But... I still love peter. I can’t help it. He got here first and he...
just won’t to leave” (Han 2015:329)
3.2 Peter Kavinsky

Peter kavinsky is also the main character of this novel, he is a part of lara jean life’s. He is being her boyfriend. First of all the just pretending untill peter’s make it become a real sweet relationship. He is an protagonist character and also the flat characters.

Peter kavinsky is a hottest guy. “I mean, he’s the hottest guy I’ve ever seen in my life, but I don’t know what kind of people haven goes school with” (Han 2015:8) “No, kitty’s right. He is hot” Haven admits.” (Han 2015:9)

Peter kavinsky is almost sarcastic person, he kick someone with an sarcasm tone. Lara jean ask peters to be a friend and then he says “you hope we can still be friends?” he repeats, and there is a note of sarcasm in his voice that lara jean don’t understand or like. (Han 2015:14)

“well, i wish you happy new year anyway. Now i’m the one being sarcastic and it sure is statisfying. Have a nice life , auld langsyne and all that” (Han 2015:15)

Peter kavinsky is to the point person, he is naturally man because he is not like a girl who loves to give a code. “Hey, you’re the one who came here talking about I’m sorry and let’s be friends. You don’t get to force me into accepting your half-assed apology” (Han 2015:15)

Peter kavinsky is the gentlemen person, in his first date with lara jean, he is paying for their tickets,popcorn, and another meals.

“Peter laughs and said “you think i’m going to make a girl pay on her first date?” he puffs out his chest and says to the cashier, “can we have one
medium popcorn with butter, and can you layer the butter? And a sour patch kids and a box of milk duds. And one small cherry coke.” (Han 2015:35)

Peter kavinsky always relax to face and solve his problem. He is a kind of slow person while he is watching movie with lara jean, they are meet geneiveve which his ex. Lara jean is really afraid but peters is relax.

“No worries” he says keeping his arm arround me” (Han 2015:36)

“I know. Don’t be mad. I’m going to find out who did this.” (Han 2015:59)

Peter kavinsky is a late person especially when he has a date with lara jean. He is never on time.

“Peter scowls, “I didn’t show up one time and you hold a grudge—“ “but you’re always late” (Han 2015:39)

Peter kavinsky is a commitment person while they write their promises, peter’s is make a contract that he will be commit to do it.

“Peter?”

“Yeah?”

“I don’t want us to ever break each other’s hearts”

Peter laughs easily; he cups my cheek in his hands. “are you planning on breaking my heart, covey?”

“No, and i’m sure you are not planning on breaking time. Nobody ever plans it”

“Then put that in the contract. Peter and lara jean promise not to break each other’s heart” (Han 2015: 41)

Peter kavinsky is a sweet and romantic person. He is write a poem to lara jean. He takes lara jean hands and leads me over to the table where his backpack is. “First sit down” hes says, and I obey. He sits down next to her.
“close your eyes and hold out your hand.” I do and I hear him unzip his bag and then he puts something in my hand, a piece of paper. I open my eyes. “it’s a poem” he says. “For you” lara jean feeling so surprised and hertfelt enough. (Han 2015:143)

Peter kavinsky more than a sweet person too, he is not a stingy person. He is royal. He bought lara jean’s a necklace and it’s too expensive. 

“I lift my hair up and peter comes around and fastens the necklace around my neck. “can I even accept this?” I wonder aloud. “It was really expensive, peter! Like, really really expensive.” (Han 2015:144)

Peter kavinsky is self posseesed.

“It catches me off guard how upset peter is when I show him the little mermaid video. Because nothing bad ever sticks to peter; it just rolls of his back. That’s why peoplelike him so much, I think. He’s sure of himself; he’s self-possessed. It sets people case” (Han 2015: 148)

Peter kavinsky is a lonely person especially when he is fight with lara jean and can’t meet her for a week. “So you do have me!” He let’s out a groan. “I don’t want to play this game anymore. It’s making me lonely and really frustrated. I haven’t seen you outside of school for a week! When is this going to be over?” (Han 2015:236)

Peter kavinsky is an anxious person. “I can feel his eyes on me as I rip of the paper, open the white box. He’s anxious.” (Han 2015:326)

Peter kavinsky is also can be the jealously person.

“I turn back to look. Peter is staring after us, his mouth open. He’s jealous and I’m glad.” (Han 2015:304)

3.3 Genevieve
Genevieve is antagonist characters, she is peter kavinsky’s sex girlfriend. She is the round characters because she is changed become a protagonist character in the end of the story.

Genevieve is a liar person. She is distributed lara jean’s videos to the public with send to the annoy bitch account on instagram but she is not tell it honestly.

“Did you send that video to Annoybitch?”

“No. She scoffs. Her mouth turns up to the right, the smallest of quivers. That’s when I know she’s lying. I’ve seen her lie to her mom enough times to know her tell. Even though I suspected it, maybe even knew it deep down, this confirmation takes my breath away.” (Han 2015:63)

Genevieve is a type of person who can’t handle herself, she is make lara jean’s feeling so embrassed. “The last time I saw genevieve, she was telling everyone on the ski trip bus how peter and I had sex in the hot tub.” (Han 2015:35)

Genevieve is like a devil characters in this novel story. “Genevieve looks very pleased to hersef. “one wish and you have to grant it.” “she looks like an evil queen” (Han 2015:210)

Genevieve is a person who can make everyone jealous or maybe hurted.

“while she’s hugging jhon, peter’s looking at me with pleading eyes. Her mouths, don’t be mad and be clasps his hands in prayer. I mouth back, what the hell and he grimaces. I never explicitly said I wasn’t inviting her but I would have thought it ws pretty clear and then I think, wait a minute. They came here together. He was with her and he never said a word to me about it
and then he brought her here, to my house. Specifically to my neighbors’ tree house. This girl who has hurt me, hurt us both.” (Han 2015:202)

Genevieve is a hidden person. She is looks like happy but she is not. She is hide her problem with her bad attitudes. When lara jean looks genevieve dad is cheating. She is really embrassed and anger. “Genevieve’s face goes red; she knows I’m lying. For a second I am terrified she is going to cry or hit me. I wish she would just hit me?” “Go ahead,” she manages. (Han 2015:319)

3.4 Jhon Ambrose McClaren

Jhon is the first boy that lara jean loved. He’s a protagonist characters and also a flat characters. He is the type of good man and it is not change until the end of the story. “Jhon was smart; he made the best grades of the boys and I made the best grades of the girls. We were in honors classes together. He liked history bsest—he always did his reading—but he was good at math and sciene, too. I’m sure that hasn’t changed” (Han 2015:158)

Jhon is a careful person to do everything although it’s a smallest things. “Jhon’s carefully tucking his piece of cardboard in his jeans pocket. Sorry,(pen) pal, but you’re going down. I take a quick look around the room for clues to who might have my name. But everyone’s got their pocket faces on” (Han 2015:211)

Jhon is a patiently and a never give up person. “And then Jhon Ambrose McClaren says one last thing. A thing that makes my heart swell.
“I don’t think it was our time then. I guess it isn’t now, either.” Jhon looks over at me, his gaze steady. “But one day maybe it will be” (Han 2015:329)
4. CONCLUSION AND SUGGESTION

4.1 Conclusion

Novel is the kind of literature, the means is prose narrative which is considerable length and certain complexity that deals imaginatively with human experience, usually through a connected sequence of events involving a group of persons in a specific setting.

Character is the part of novel. It’s needed in every fiction prose of the literature. Characters also dividing in two part, there is protagonist characters and antagonist characters. Character is also can affect the reader and can give the negative or the positive impacts.

*PS: I Still Loves You* was Jenny Han’s second novel, as well as she is really successful in her first novel “To the boy I’ve loved before” The writer chooses “PS: I Still Loves You” novel written by Jenny Han because of the main characters personalities are really interesting to discussed and the story is so heart-felted.

And from the discussion in the previous chapter, the writer would like conclude the character’s personalities on PS: I Still Loves You, directed by Jenny Han, we can find the main characters are lara jean, peter kavinsky, genevieve and also jhonmcclaren:

1. Lara Jean is the main character of the novel. She is a really exaggerated person to faces everything but she is a kind of girl who is really innocent. She is a good sisters for her little sisters and a good daughter for her dad, because she is always encouraged them in their weakness. She also can baked a delicious cake.she is not like someone who bears a grudge. She
can forget the people who hurt her, like Genevieve. She is a honest person and the optimistic person.

2. Peter is Lara Jean boyfriend. He is also mentioned as the main characters, he is really a hottest and a coolest guy in their school. He is the relax and to the point man. He is also the romantic person because he is give lara jean’s a sweet poem and buy her a necklace. He is not a stingy person and he is never make lara jean pay for everything. He is pay their bills in the theatre and he buy lara jean an expensive necklace. He is also can be a jealous person when lara jean is very near with her first love, JhonMcClaren.

3. Genevieve is an ex-girlfriend of Peter Kavinsky. She is the people who embracing lara jean and send lara jean videos to the annoying bitch on Instagram. She is also liked to hurt someone or make everyone jealous. But in the last story, the reader knows that she is also has a problem that is her father is cheating. She is really a hidden person because she hides her problem with her bad or relax attitude.

4. JhonMcClaren is Lara Jean’s first love. He comes again to lara jean’s life. He replies her letters and he is really a patiently person. He try to get lara jean’s heart although he can not get it but he is still not give. He believes that someday it will be happen.
4.2 Suggestion

At the end of this paper, the writer like to say that reading novel actually has many advantages and the readers may have some moral teaching from what they read. Reading novel is also the funniest things because you can imagine the story in your mind without looking at the pictures like drama or movie. The reader feel pleased when they read a novel like this novel especially for students of english to learn more about vocabularies and slang conversation.

The writer hopes that this paper will make the readers understand more about character or characterization; in PS: I Still Loves You by Jenny Han and will be interested reading it.

After reading this paper, the writer, also hopes that this paper will be useful to the other student for describing novel especially the main characters.