ABSTRAK

Radical Femnism in the Novel Women at Zero Point by Nawal el-Saadawi; Ach.Fauzi

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The title of the novel Woman at Zero Point by Nawal el-Saadawi shows the atmosphere or situation that occurs in the main character Firdaus. The major theme in the novel is the life struggle of a woman who wants true freedom. While the minor theme is that violence perpetrated by men against women can cause women to suffer, good intentions without being based on sincerity can result in evil behavior, and despicable women who dishonor their own people.

The main character is Firdaus, while the subordinate characters are father, panam, Sheikh Mahmoud, Bayoumi, Sharifa, and Marzouk. Of the six subordinate figures are very supportive of the existence of the main character. The time setting in the novel occurs in the morning and at night. The setting is Qanatir prison, father's house, Sheikh Mahmoud's house, apartment. The social background is the culture of Egyptian society which is patriarchal or subordinates women. The conflicts that occur in the novel are physical conflicts between humans and humans that occur in Firdaus and Bayoumi, Firdaus and Marzouk. Physical conflicts between humans and society occur in Firdaus and the police, in the novel there is no conflict between humans and nature. An inner conflict between one idea and another occurs in Firdaus. An inner conflict between someone and their conscience happens to Firdaus with their conscience.

Pragmatic analysis that emphasizes radical feminism consists of violence against women, exploitation of women, and the role of women. Firdaus experienced physical violence by his father, mother, Bayoumi, and Marzouk. Uncle Firdaus' wife also used physical violence against her maid. Firdaus experienced psychic violence by his mother's father, Bayoumi, and Di'aa. Firdaus also experienced psychological violence when he tried to escape from his uncle's house. Firdaus experienced sexual violence perpetrated by Muhammadin, Firdaus' uncle, Bayuomi, and a police officer. Domestic violence was perpetrated by Firdaus' father against his wife and by Syekh Mahmoud against Firdaus.