

## ABSTRACT

Everyone may face problems in their lives, but each person faces and solves his/her problems in his/her own way. In this thesis, the writer analyzes the meaning of beauty from the figure of Shelby, a thirteen years old girl who has different perspective on her mother. This research attempts to study the problem of beauty that influences a young girl's life and her perspective about beauty. The problem of the meaning of beauty which regards to the main character is unpredictable. The situation is portrayed in Cynthia Kadohata's novel *Outside Beauty* that is the main character is a girl 13 years old, who in the period to be a teenager. The writer uses Intrinsic Approach by Edgar. V. Roberts and Beauty Myth by Naomi Wolf to analyze the novel.

The findings of the study on the main character of this novel, gives knowledge about the meaning of beauty for Shelby and how the mother's figure affects a daughter's perspective. The meaning of beauty for Shelby is something that connect to other universe and something that will not make her separate with her sisters. The figure of Shelby's mother affect to Shelby as a lesson that this life is not merely depend on beautiful appearance.

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*There can be miracles, When you believe  
Though hope is frail, It's hard to kill  
Who knows what miracles, You can achieve  
When you believe, Somehow you will  
You will when you believe*

*-When You Believe-*

*By*

*Mariah Carey & Whitney Houston-*