

Abstract

Since the term of “Feminism” comes up in people’s mind, many women try to break the differentiation between male and female roles which is related to inequality position. This inequality terms focused on traditional gender roles which described that women should be inferior to men. Moreover, this globalization era prove that many modern women success to elaborate their ability in double jobs, domestic and public area. Therefore, this study attempts to discuss the portrayal of modern women represented by Emma Morley’s character in David Nicholls’ novel entitled *One Day*. To elaborate the portrayal of modern women, this study will apply Liberal Feminism. Using this theory, the writer analyzes Emma’s character in order to prove that well-educated woman who has double jobs is still being trapped by patriarchal systems. However, she can survive with her conditions and become the one who takes control; and her movements in public area as a modern woman become an inspiration for other women who want to compete with men’s skill.

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