

## CHAPTER IV

### CONCLUSION

When children undergo the process of development, many factors can affect its result, namely nature and nurture. Nature refers to the traits' condition of the child himself, which is inherited from parents, while nurture refers to the influence outside the child. The major influence comes from the parents, as the closest persons, especially in the early years of the child. The impact of the nurture can be traced in the child's behavior or treatment towards other people outside the family, as soon as the child mingles with the world outside (Berk, p.605).

Since Cedric was born, he has shared an intimate relationship with his father and mother who shower him with love and care. As seen in the analysis, it is from the family that Cedric learns how to treat other people from the examples that he sees in his parents' treatment towards each other and towards Cedric, as the only child in the family. The feeling of being loved, trusted, and accepted delivered by the parents has grown Cedric into a loving, trusting, and accepting child; especially when it is supported by the child's own nature, which

is easy to adapt to new things. This not only makes his relationship with his mother very close after his father's death, but also it enables him to get along with other people besides his own mother.

When he meets changes in his life, his quality is not altered because there is always his mother, who keeps him company and gives him advice when he needs one. The nature of the boy makes his grandfather, whom he just meets after all the years, grows deep fondness towards the child. The effect of this is that he can persuade his grandfather to do things based on his generosity towards people who need it. Because the wish comes from his favorite grandson, the grandfather breaks his own habit of not giving charity, by paying attention towards his workers who need help. From here, the impact of the quality owned by the child Cedric shows a great effect toward others.

This novel may not be a proper source of learning about the family nurture but at least it gives a few examples to the readers through the characters in it about things that parents can do as responsible adults towards their children. As children undergo development that leads them to maturity, the nurture given by the parents plays an important part in providing the proper condition so that the development of the children can come to the right path.

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