## CHAPTER IV

In this last chapter, the writer comes to the conclusion of the discussion about egoism of Nina Leeds in the play Strange Interlude. Through three basic elements of the play, plot, characterization, and setting, the egoism of Nina Leeds can be seen clearly.

Actually, Nina's egoism is caused by some reasons. When she stays with her father, she feels that her father compels his desire and does not realize that Nina is not a young girl anymore. So, Nina is never able to manage herself and never get happiness, especially when her father refuses her to marry Gordon Shaw, her fiance. She thought her father destroyed her happiness.

Another reason which makes Nina being an egoist woman is the request of Evans' mother (her mother in law) who asks her to abort her pregnancy. This events bring Nina to the frustrated situation in her life that makes her become an egoist woman. But the egoism of Nina also brings some effects to her later life. She is left by averybody who she loves. Exactly, the conclusion involves:

- Egoism in <u>Strange Interlude</u> can be analyzed through the intrinsic elements, especially on plot, characterization, and setting.
- 2. The egoism can caused by some reasons which influence someone's life. For instance, in this play, Strange Interlude, we can see the reasons of Nina for being an egoist woman. She cannot forget her father's claim and her mother in law's order toward her. She feels that her happiness is always destroyed. So, she becomes grudge and later brings her to be an egoist woman.
- 3. Egoist character can destroy our own life. Through the play, Strange Interlude, we can see the effects of the egoist character. Nina, who has egoist character, wants everybody pays attention to her and she wants to manage them, but they cannot stand with Nina's rule, so, they leave her.
- 4. Through the play Strange Interlude, O'neill tried to explain that everybody should take care of each other. One should respect to the other, so, it could not make mistake because everybody has right obligation in this world.