

CHAPTER IV

CONCLUSION

After analyzing Kidnapped, it is very obvious that David Balfour as the major character in the story shows a success of his ability and ingenuity against the forces of everything. He uses his wits and strength to struggle against anything in order to keep and stay alive.

He has to survive and struggle against anything. Indeed, he is a triumphant survivor, and it is supported by the instinct of survival that is one of the strongest of all instincts. His successful survival is achieved because of the sturdy qualities in his character, his own unaided efforts, his great motivation, and his courage and patience. The situation of his surrounding has also influenced David.

The struggle emerges as the result of a very long process. Here, the combination of various treatments he gets from his uncle, the ship crew, the Highlanders, and Alan are the dominant factors in supporting his development.

Moreover, the different condition and manner of Lowlanders and Highlanders at the time in which they always fight against anything and anyone in order to reach their desire and to stay alive, give a great influence to David's personality development. His adventure drifting about in Highlands lets him see that reality is harsh and wild. It, then, makes him realize that the real world is not as good as he imagines. It also drives him grow up since he realizes that no one will help him except himself.

David's motive to get back his rightful inheritance influences his spirit, which encourages him to be an optimistic person. His optimism to come to his goal becomes a reality when he has a helpful friend, Alan Breck. Having friend, especially a faithful friend like Alan, makes him very happy.

Facing the fact that Alan, the best friend he had ever had, is the best thing, David comes into the fulfillment of love, belonging, safety and security. He eventually finds the peace in the side of Alan going around through the journey. It can be noticed that what makes David so happy is Alan's love and sensitivity, and affection given to him through his innocent gesture. On the other word, love in this story is a universal language, a bridge, which connects the differences between human beings, a innocent young boy and a mature experience man.

Most of all, David has the hope of freeing himself from his solitary and fearful existence. By having the hope, he has a spirit that continually exists, in other words, he has a never-ending spirit. And the spirit is remarkable because it helps him to survive and face the reality. Without the spirit, he may not be able to continue his difficult life.

His success in adjusting himself to the extreme condition means that he has gradually become a mature character. However, the process to be a man of value is not an easy one. It is quite difficult for him to struggle against the harshness of life.

Above all, it is very important for everyone to struggle and has a spirit like David Balfour. The story can be a good example for us to experience this like. Life is not easy, therefore, we must struggle to survive. And the struggle will

succeed by having a never-ending spirit. Never gives up and be patient are the keys to be a winner in this though life.

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