

## ABSTRACT

Kawabata Yasunari is one of the famous author from Japan. He's a first Japanese who got the nobel prize in 1968 for his works, *Yukiguni*. The Nobel Prize in Literature was awarded to Kawabata Yasunari "for his narrative mastery, which with great sensibility expresses the essence of the Japanese mind".

The researcher will research one of Kawabata's work, *Yukiguni*. *Yukiguni* is about a love relationship between a man who have a family with a *geisha*. This character action is considered an affair toward his family. However, this matter may not be an affair toward his family in Japanese society. These characters action will be connected with Japanese concept of morality. Japanese people act in everyday life is based on *on*, *giri*, and *ninjou*. Based on this concept, all the action of the character in this novel will be evaluated based on their concept of good and bad.

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