ANALYSIS AND INTERPRETATION THE SYMBOLS USED IN WALL-E MOVIE

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ABSTRACT

WALL-E movie is one of a science fiction animated tells us the audience about global warming issues. Symbols are such as objects, signals, gestures, signs, and words that help people to understand the world. Related to this research, the aim is for interpreting and analyzing the symbols used in the WALL-E movie. This is qualitative research. This research material derived from several sources and transcripts related to WALL-E movie are classified are used as a staple whereas the research used an interpretation theory related to the symbols used in this movie then analyzing it all. Throughout the movie, there are symbols with deeper meanings. These results indicate that there are six symbols in this movie. WALL-E movie spotlight the broken environmental management which is done by human beings themselves. In order to clean the earth, the human was replaced by robots. The moral issue in WALL-E movie can be reflected in real life, relation to the structuring and environmental management with the interests of the environment in any action relating to all elements of the environment.

Keywords: Symbol, WALL-E movie.

Introduction

The world is contained with symbols, such as in our daily life. In some cultures, a gold ring is a symbol of marriage people. Related to the language, language is a symbol used by the people to communicate. The symbols in the language used in order to transfer written communication and transfer into spoken communication.

This research practically is analyzing the symbols used in Wall-e movie. This research focuses on interpreting and analyzing the symbols to criticize our society to be aware of global warming or our earth nowadays.

WALL-E is an animated movie which is the main character in this movie is a robot named Wall-e. This robot designed to clean up and shaped all the

rubbish covered in earth become a block of rubbish. The earth condition in this movie is destroyed, uninhabited by humans, animals and plants, full cover pollution and rubbish. Although the earth is not proper to place for living, on the other hand, there is a tiny creature called cockroach is living on earth. The cockroach is one of symbol for the researcher to be noted, interpreted and analyzed later on. That was one example symbol in this movie. Throughout the movie, there are some symbols with deeper meanings.

From those explanations, the writer is interested in interpreting and analyzing the symbols problem concerned on destroyed earth and it is the relation with human homework related to the earth condition nowadays. The writer is

interested in doing this research because of several factors: the writer was really interested and have a big curiosity in symbols, this movie emerged due to the earth issues that being forgotten by people nowadays, for example, dirty environment because of rubbish that thrown by people every day, everywhere and every second. Moreover, Wall-e is an interesting movie with deep criticism all the human who is living on this planet, namely earth, to take care of earth again.

Research Method

In this research, the researcher uses a qualitative method whereas practically the researcher searching the symbols, then interpreting the symbols, after that analyzing the interpreting result. The type of this research is library research, whereas the researcher uses the movies and the scripts of the movies as the main data.

Data Collection

There are two kinds of data in this research, those are the main and supporting data. The main data in this research is the symbols used in Wall-e movie, and the supporting data is the interpreting the symbols itself based on the related resources, continue with analyzing the interpreting results.

In order to collect the data, the researcher watches this movie several times until collected all the symbols. After this, the researcher interpreting the symbols based on the story of this movie. After interpreting the symbols, the researcher analyzing the data based on the story told about.

As a result, there are nine symbols in collecting data. Those are wall-e, cockroach, seedling, axiom, obese passengers, auto, BNL (buy n large), display system, and eve.

Data Analysis

Before analyzing the data collection, the researcher interpreting the symbols first. Here the result of interpreting the symbols. (1) wall-e means the robot was living in the earth; (2) cockroach means the wall-e's friend; (3) seedling means the living plant; (4) axiom mean the spacecraft name; (5) obbese passangers means the passangers who are living in the spacecraft; (6) auto means the pilot assistant in the spacecraft; (7) BNL (buy n large) means a company names in spacecraft; (8) display system means the system use spacecraft; and (9) eve means the only female robot from BNL spacecraft that delegated her to the earth.

The next step is analyzing the symbols. In this research the way how to analyzed the symbols, the researcher was

linking the symbols with two point of views. First, the researcher should analyzed the symbols related to the story in this movie, after this the researcher transfering the analysis based on the story in our real life.

Therefore the result in analyzing the symbols become meaningful because match the situation in the real life.

The Analyzing Result

As the researcher explained before, the symbols in this movie are nine symbols. The analyzing results are as follows:

Wall-e means the robot was living in the earth, in this case, the condition of the earth is really destroyed, full coverage of the pollution and chemical pollution, not only the air but the surface of the earth covers with the rubbish. Actually, in this movie, there is so many wall-e robots on the earth, they are also variant sizes. The main character wall-e in this story is the small robot category. The function of this robot is cleaning the rubbish, shaping the rubbish into a block, and managing the block of rubbish in good order. Comparing with the earth condition today, the people who live on this earth realize that the earth is almost closed with the situation in this movie. Luckily, some people still care about our rubbish problem on this earth.

The cockroach means wall-e's friend. In this case, as the researcher explained before about the severe earth condition, the only cockroach can survive to live a long although the chemical pollutions are there. It was matched with the scientific research, that cockroach can survive with the worst condition.

Seedling means the living plant. This is a symbol means the new living for a new life. In this movie, the robot names wall-e have a mission to clean the earth, on the other hand, the other robot names Eve. Her job is finding a plant on the earth to starting a new life for human's being.

Axiom means the spacecraft name in the galaxy, the function of the Axiom is substituted the earth. So in this movie, the people move to the axiom spacecraft with all facilities managed by robots. The axiom is so large and contained all the human on this earth.

Obese passengers mean the passengers who are living in the spacecraft. This case all the human changes become fat, fatter and fatter. However, there are no activities for the human in this spacecraft, because of all the activities controlled by the robots.

Auto means the pilot assistant in the spacecraft. In this movie, the assistant pilot controls the spacecraft direction. His mission is under control all the spacecraft, and divert all the human to forget their

mission to go home in the earth.

BNL means company names in spacecraft. The BNL stands for buy and large, it means that all the facilities in the BNL are an extra large size, there is no small size at the BNL spacecraft.

Display system means the system used in the spacecraft. It means that all the tools used in the spacecraft are used display system automatically, there is no manual system. The goal is doctrine the people to not doing negotiation and to make them become a uniformed system. Compare to the real condition here, almost the same with the condition that was explained in this movie. Almost the people used the gadget to take care of their life. With the high technology, means they will becoming lazier to think the other way.

The last symbol is Eve means the only female robot from BNL spacecraft that delegated her to the earth. This symbol analyzed as the earth mother that will save the earth by searching the plant and make it grow well to cover and save the earth. Those are the analysis result from all symbols found in this movie.

Conclusion

From analyzing all the symbols in this movie, the researcher concluded that we must take care our earth for survive our life. Therefore we can continue our life with healthy living.

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