

ABSTRACT

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Diaspora has become a global issue because it relates to the civilization. The movement from a homeland to a hostland by the forced condition creates some effects for the immigrants who experience diaspora directly. This study deals with the issue of diaspora and the effects which are experienced by the first generation of Chinese people.

The object of this study is a novel by Amy Tan entitled *The Kitchen God’s Wife* which illustrates how Winnie, the major character of the story, experiences diaspora and the effects which happen in America as her hostland. This study used Descriptive Qualitative method and the theory of diaspora.

As the result, this study found that war and conflict in China made Winnie and other Chinese did diaspora. Winnie performed acculturation and memory of the homeland as the effects of diaspora in the hostland, the situation that could give a big effect for the people who experienced diaspora.

Keywords: Diaspora, Acculturation, Memory of the homeland, Chinese’s first-generation

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Diaspora telah menjadi isu global karena terkait dengan peradaban manusia. Perpindahan yang dilakukan secara terpaksa memberikan beberapa efek terhadap imigran yang mengalami diaspora. Studi ini membahas mengenai isu diaspora beserta efeknya yang dialami oleh para imigran generasi pertama.

Objek dari penelitian ini ialah sebuah novel karya Amy Tan berjudul *The Kitchen God’s Wife* yang menceritakan kisah Winnie, karakter utama dalam cerita, yang mengalami diaspora dan efeknya yang terjadi di Amerika sebagai tempat tinggal keduanya. Dalam menyusun skripsi ini, peneliti menggunakan metode penelitian deskriptif kualitatif dan teori diaspora.

Hasilnya, perang dan konflik yang terjadi di Cina membuat Winnie dan penduduk Cina lainnya melakukan diaspora. Winnie juga menunjukkan kondisi akulturasi dan mengingat masa lalunya sebagai efek dari diaspora, kondisi yang memberikan efek besar bagi kehidupan si pelaku diaspora.

Kata Kunci: Diaspora, Akulturasi, Ingatan Masa Lalu, Imigran generasi pertama.