CHAPTER V

CONCLUSION AND SUGGESTION

This chapter presents the conclusion which are drawn from the discussion in the previous

chapter. This chapter also provides several suggestions for further research in analyzing

normalcy for the future research.

5.1 Conclusion

This research is aimed to answer a question on the idea of normalcy that is constructed in the

novel. From the discussion in the previous chapter, the idea of normalcy is revealed through

the relation between the patients and the mental institution staff as depicted in the novel. It

can be concluded that to be considered as normal, the patients should be obedient and

submissive toward the mental institution's rule.

Thus, there are standards of becoming obedient: a. the patients should be less maniac,

less melancholic, less hysteric, and also less hypochondriac. Those standards are constructed

by The Big Nurse, who have power to rule the mental institution. The patients will be

considered as normal if they follow the rule which is indicated by their submission.

The author depict that the idea of normalcy cannot be defined because the limitation

between normal and not normal are blurred. The idea of normalcy is being contested by

contrasting the ward's concept of normalcy with the narrator's concept of normalcy. So, this

book criticize the concept of normal which might be forced.

5.2 Suggestion

After conducting this research, the writer has several suggestions for future research about

normalcy. First, future researcher should present more detail analysis of context of the

occurrence for normalcy. In addition, the research may to contribute to the development of

the content literary analysis that focuses on the patients of the mental institution life and how

they are related to the society.

Second, it will be interesting if the future researchers try to investigate how the notion of

normalcy affects someone's identity in the society. Because indeed, when someone is being

judged as a not normal person, he loses a half of identity because he may forget the "self"
that he once lived: His identity may be taken by the asylum.