

## Chapter IV

### CONCLUSIONS AND SUGGESTIONS

The last chapter consists of the conclusions of the discussions in the previous chapter. It ends with suggestions for further research.

#### 4.1. Conclusions

The conclusions of the research reveals that body image is constructed within a binary opposition, i.e. beautiful and ugly, which leads into an assumption that physical appearance becomes an identity for the characters in the novel. In this binary opposition, ugly is considered as the unacceptable physical appearance while beautiful is considered as the acceptable one. The acceptability of being beautiful is strengthened by the analysis of the thematic components, which disclose that beautiful is a perfect physical appearance for teenagers in the novel. While, the reason that being ugly is unacceptable is also strengthen by the analysis of thematic components, which reveal that ugly is not preferable,

#### 4.2. Suggestions

The result of the research shows that for teenagers, physical appearance should be a superficial because paying too much concern to physical appearance might divert them from their other positive potential. So, several suggestions are recommended: (1) Text concerning with the issue of physical appearance are recommended to be taught to student (2) It is suggested that teenagers be taught to

think critically toward the physical appearance issue presented by the media and to love their own appearance no matter what (3) It is suggested that teenagers are not supposed to judge others only by their physical appearance.

