

CHAPTER III

CONCLUSIONS AND SUGGESTIONS

3.1. Conclusions

This research investigates the portrayal of working mother in *I Don't Know How She Does It* by Allison Pearson. From the finding and discussions elaborated in the previous chapter, the result shows that the novel *I Don't Know How She Does It* represents the portrayal of working mother. It can be seen through the main woman character in the novel. The main woman character is described as a perfectionist and ambitious, multitalented women, knowledgeable, liberal, superior, competitive, dominant, and hard worker. From those characteristics, it can be said that portrayal of working mother in the novel represents the gender equality that as a matter of fact becomes one of the elements that many liberal feminists urge to have.

In the view of liberal feminists' perspective, it is safe to said that the portrayal of working mother in the novel does signify the spirit of liberal feminism because obviously the women in the novel has succeeded in liberating her self in the patriarchal society and the women has also achieved the equality in all aspect of her life.

3.2. Suggestions

The writer admits that there are limitations in conducting this literary research. The result of the research is still far from being perfect. In terms of data, this research only discloses some elements of the portrayal of Working Mother in the novel.

Moreover, the writer only employs one theory of feminism. Therefore, the writer suggests that future studies use more feminist theories so that they will come up with more comprehensive descriptions.

The writer further suggests that a combination of more perspectives through the subject of the research in this study will serve the purpose of the study. By combining liberal feminism with other frameworks, the study will come up with more subtle results or findings.

At last, the writer admits that many points may have been overlooked and the result of this analysis has different interpretations.