

CHAPTER V

CONCLUSIONS AND SUGGESTIONS

This chapter presents the conclusions of the study which are based on the findings and discussion in the previous chapter. This chapter also presents the suggestion for further study.

5.1. Conclusions

The study is aimed to answer research questions of how colonialism is represented in the text and how colonialism affects the main characters as evidenced in the text. From the analysis of colonialism in “The Story of Pocahontas”, it can be found that colonialism is represented in practice, attitude, and belief. On the other hand, colonialism affects the main characters; Captain Smith and Pocahontas’s language, identity, and religion.

The analysis also leads into a conclusion that the powerful groups which are represented by Europeans, having oppression interest towards ‘other’ countries. In the novel, the process of oppression is exercised through the practice of colonizing. As a result, this practice affects the main characters as the reaction towards colonization.

The practice of colonialism, such as domination, exploitation, and appropriation is exercised by the colonizers who are perceived as superior one. Based on the finding, it can be concluded that the practice of colonialism is not only in physical forms but can also be exercised in the forms of spreading the belief and exchanging the language.

Further, these practices are the consequence of the act of colonizing in the past which become the lessons of today's social life. Learning from these, people become especially aware that today's world is the reflection from the process of colonization in which the imperial power has dominant power to control the world. They who are superior and dominant dominate other people who are subordinated, exploit their natural resources expansively, and appropriate their land in illegal way.

5.2. Suggestions

The present study has already discussed the representation of colonialism and the affects of colonialism on the main characters in the novel "The Story of Pocahontas". The study suggests that the further study can focus on other colonialism issues, not only from Indian but also from other groups that are perceived as marginalized groups like Afro-American, Aborigines, and so on.

However, the study is still far from perfect, due to so many difficulties in finding the sources for the study. Since the study uses colonialism and post-colonialism in analyzing the data, it is expected that in the future there will be more study about colonialism which is not only uses the post-colonial theory but also other theories.

Last but not at least, this study is expected to be able to give valuable contribution to literary criticism. Particularly, it can increase our knowledge in exploring literary works which relates to the issues of colonialism. The study is also expected to enrich the literary material, especially in English Department.

