

## ABSTRACT

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Literature always has symbols. There will not be literature or even language without it because words themselves are symbols. In *The Hunger Games* novel heroism acts of the characters appears as other meaning of the symbols. Heroism acts are not only seen as characters act and mind, but also seen as something which has more symbols and meanings. So, this graduating paper has been written to analyze symbol of heroism act of the characters in Suzanne Collin's *The Hunger Games*.

The grand theory which is used to analyze this research is Pierce's theory. It has three elements on modifying something or data into a symbol; there are representment, interpetant, and symbol. This research used three elements into the object and applied it to get symbols and other meanings. The novel is analyzed by the theory of symbolism because Collin's work has other meanings and symbols of heroism acts.

In applying the technique of analyzing data, this research used qualitative research. The data are collected from originally words, sentences and naration of *The Hunger Games* novel by Suzzane Collins.

The data were taken from Suzanne Collins Novel entitled: *The Hunger Games*. There are six symbols of 22 heroism act found in this research of the four characters. Those are symbols of love (five data), symbols of responsibility (three data), symbol of struggle (one datum), symbols of hope (two data), symbols of bravery (three data) and symbols of solidarity (seven data).

The dominant symbol in this research was heroism act symbolized solidarity because the data obtained from those symbols are more dominant than other symbols.