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Love is one of societal aspects. Human being lives with love and it gives them power to survive. But, sometime love isn't happen as what human wish. They get some conflicts in their life and love is one of caused the conflict appeared in their life. Each person can understand the meaning of love in different ways. They can interpret as much as they like. Hence, many people use the theme of love as main theme in their literary work. Love gives contribution to literary work. Such as Stephanie Meyer used the theme for her work (novel) is about love.

The main objective of the study is to investigate the responses of readers about their perspective toward love conflict in Stephanie Meyer's novel, *Twilight*. Having known their perspective is using reader response theory and questionnaire to get what their responses about their understanding of entirely the story. Reader-response theory devotes considerable attention to the act of reading itself, particularly in terms of the many different ways in which readers respond to literary texts.

This research used a phenomenological approach. Where the purpose of the phenomenological approach is to identify phenomena through how they are perceived by the actors in a situation. As the qualitative research, this research used questionnaire to collect the data from the respondents. The data is about their responses toward love conflict. Afterwards, try to find out literature relevant to love conflict from the perspectives of reader response as valid references. This qualitative research, therefore, is doing a descriptive method to answer the research of this case.

Then, this research is that there are the different perspectives of love conflict in Stephanie Meyer's novel, *Twilight*. It is caused by their understanding of the story and their experience during reading the novel. And the result of this research is based on responses of the readers, they said that the love conflict that appeared in *Twilight* caused by the different 'world' of Bella and Edward (Bella is the real human being and Edward was a vampire). This reality is caused them difficult to be together.