THE ACTIONS OF VIGILANTISM AS REFLECTED IN, THE

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ABSTRACT


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In this final Project, the writer analyses the action of vigilantism in the movie entitled *The Punisher*, with the statements of problem “How are the vigilant actions shown in *The Punisher* movie?”. The objectives of this study are to find out how the vigilant actions were done since the doer was the former of FBI special agent as reflected in this movie.

In explaining the vigilant actions found in the movie, the writer used qualitative research because the data were formed in words rather than numbers. The writer used references that he took from any sources such as books, internet, encyclopedia to support data in the analysis. The procedure of collecting the data is reading and watching, identifying, inventorying, reducing, selecting, classifying, and reporting. After getting the data, then the writer did explaining and interpreting. The final step is analysing the data using the theory of deconstruction and making some conclusions and suggestions.

This film clearly told about the main character, Frank Castle, did vengeance to his enemy. The irony of this movie is Frank, as the former of FBI special agent, got his revenge with brutally and without involving police or law in the problem. As the one who knew about law very well, he should call the police or report the problem to the police. His vengeance led him to do vigilant actions by killing, fighting, shooting, and also bombing without taking care whether the victim was innocent or not. Frank’s brutality made this problem became worse so that he acted more destructive than before. Losing beloved person, losing faith to God, disappointment, desperation, and trauma became the reasons for Frank to do vigilant actions. And as the one who know about law, Frank should report the crime and assault to the police and let the police to do justice instead of doing vigilant actions.

From the literature point of view, the writer expects that the reader will be able to take some benefit from it. Besides, they will be able to increase their understanding about vigilant action.