

## ABSTRACT

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This final project is a literary study about the existence of reincarnation belief in western people society. The object of the investigation is a novel of Christina Skye entitled *Bride of the Mist*. The objectives of this study are (1). to describe the concept of reincarnation from the novel, (2).to identify western people's perspective in reincarnation belief, (3) to describe the effects of believing in reincarnation for the adherent and the society.

In this study the researcher used the qualitative research to maintain validity. The data of the analysis are taken from the quotations, statements in the novel which were descriptively analyzed. The analysis is done by several techniques (chapter III).

The result of this research indicates that there is a contradiction between the conditions of the society with the adherent's perspective. Most western people, which actually modern society who always think rationally should face the other's perspective who believes in the existence of reincarnation. There are two different perspectives of reincarnation; (a) the adherent is reflected by an American journalist, Kara Fitzgerald (b) the one who didn't believe in it. Each has his own reasons. The adherent reasons are: visions from the past, recognition, vision from the dreams, a brief vision, an also influenced by other people, while the other side's reasons are based on their logical thought and religion. The analysis also describe the effects of the belief that could make a secularism, goodness oriented, respect other people, and fear of death

Finally, this study is expected to give additional knowledge to the readers about reincarnation in western society which may be useful as references. Besides, this study can stimulate a further research related to the relationship between literature and other aspect of life.