CHAPTER III

RESEARCH METHOD

This chapter describes about the research objects and methodology used in analyzing the data.

3.1 Research Object

This study is conducted to analyze the alienation problem which appears in novel *The Wizard of Oz by* L. Frank Baum. The alienation problem analyzed focuses on the characters who are alienated from four aspects such as alienated from the object, the act production, species being, and fellow man. The main characters who make adventure to Emeralds City are Dorothy, Scarecrow, The Tin Woodman, and The Lion. Dorothy is a little girl from Kansas who comes to Oz land by cyclone. In Oz land, there are four witches, two of them, those who live in the North and South, are good witches. And two more those who live in the East and the West are wicked witches. Besides four witches, there is a great Wizard who lives in the city of Emeralds. He has more powerful than all the witches in the Oz land and also will grant any wish.

The Scarecrow wants to get a brain, the Tin Woodman wants to get a heart and the Cowardly Lion wants to get courage have been told by Dorothy that the great Oz can help them to solve their problem. They decide to follow her and make an adventure together to Emeralds City for meeting Oz who can give what they want and ask his help.

They go to Emeralds City solely to get the thing that they think it can resolve their problem. The problem which they face is alienation. Each of them has different but the cause is the same, it is alienation. The alienation which The Scarecrow faces is different from The Tin Woodman, and The Lion.

3.2 Research Method

The writer uses descriptive method in the analysis. According to Gay (1987: 12) says that: "The descriptive method is a method of research that involves collecting data in order to test hypothesis or to answer question concerning the current status of the subject of the study". The method is available to use in this research, because the writer describes the data to answer the question that appears after reading the novel.

3.2.1 Data Collection

The process of collecting the data for this research is first the writer search the novel and buy The Wizard of Oz by L. Frank Baum for analyzing, this novel exist of alienation problem that is faced by the main character. Second, the writer read the whole novel, and finds the alienation problem which divided into four aspects. Third, the writer collects the data and starts to analyze the problem of the alienation itself. Then, the alienation problem which appears in the novel is related to literary theory that is Marxism.

3.2.2 Data Analysis

The data analysis shows the alienation problem that is faced by three main characters. They have different problem that make them be alienated, such as alienated from the product, from the act of production, from species being, and from the fellow man. Based on the problem, Marxism is the appropriate theory for analyzing the problem in the novel.