A PSYCHOLOGICAL APPROACH ON THE CHARACTER ANALYSIS OF JAMES IN ROALD DAHLS NOVEL JAMES AND THE GIANT PEACH

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ABSTRACT:
A novel is a very interesting book to be read. There are so many kinds of novels: detective, historical, romance, tragedy, and comedy. Reading novel can bring a lot of pleasure and knowledge to the readers. When the writer reads this novel, she likes it so much because the novel not makes the writer bored and there are a lot of lessons that the writer can take from this novel. The novel James and the Giant Peach is about the changing character of James which is influenced by the social environment. James is the main character of this novel. He is a little poor orphan who has been forced to live with his two wicked aunts. Although his aunts are really mean to him, James does not do like his aunts do. Since he has escaped from his aunts by using the giant peach, met his nice friends, the giant creatures and has some great adventures, James becomes the nice and happy boy. In this novel, James has some different characteristics before and after he lives with his aunts. James feels lonely, sad and also has a generous spirit of having friends when he lives with his two aunts. After he escaped and met his nice friends in the different social environment, James becomes the nice boy; full of politeness, friendly, altruistic, and has a generous spirit of kindness. He lives happily ever after with many children around him. By using a psychological approach, the writer is expected find out more about the characteristics of James in this novel.