

ABSTRACT

The thesis writer discusses the theme of The Warden through the analysis of the main character's personality. In The Warden, mostly the characters are materialist Victorian people. John Bold, Dr. Grantly, Susan Grantly, Sir Abraham Haphazard, and the bedesmen are those people that worship money more than anything in their lives. That attitude makes them become selfish, snobbish, and greedy. On the contrary, Mr. Harding as the main character does not. Thus the thesis writer would like to discuss Mr. Harding's personality and how he reacts to the pressure of his society.

The thesis writer sees that Mr. Harding is not easily affected by the materialist tendency that exists in his society. On the contrary, he is a loving person to both his friends and enemies. He is also a responsible man to all of his duties. Furthermore, he is an immaterialistic person although he lives in a materialistic society.

The thesis writer finds out that the key reason is that Mr. Harding never puts money as his prior aim of his life. He realizes that his life does not need just money but also a good relationship with his fellow-men and also with his Creator. He could be the "Warden" of his own needs, so they always be in balance. In that way, Mr. Harding never blocks the development of his personality to its maturity. Thus the thesis writer would like to suggest the readers to learn from Mr. Harding's personality, so that the readers would not be easily affected by the influence of the society that may give bad effects for their own personalities.

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