

ABSTRACT

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Gender is the socially constructed roles and activities that are considered suitable for men and women. Because of the gender construction, gender inequality existed especially towards women. Literature especially short story take a part to be a medium to influence the gender inequality issue toward and women struggle to fight it. The objectives of this study were to analyze 1) to analyze the types gender inequality against women in selected short stories, 2) to elucidate the women's struggle to fight the gender inequality seen from feminist study, 3) to give reasons why the author conveys gender inequality and women's struggle. This study used descriptive qualitative method. 1) There are five types of gender inequality were analyzed using Mansour Fakhri's theory (2008) were describing in selected short stories *Sambal dan Ranjang*. They were 1 (2,18%) of marginalized of women, 19 (41,30%) of subordination of women, the 10 (21,74%) of stereotypes of women, 14 (30,44%) of violence of women, and 2 (4,34%) of workload of women. 2) The feminism types that reflected in women's struggle were analyzed using Rosemarie Tong's theory (2013). There were 19 (86,36%) of liberal feminism, the 3 (13,64) of radical feminism found in the selected of short stories. 3) There were five reasons why the author of this collection of short stories convey gender inequality issues and women's struggle using Wellek & Warren (1990). They are inspired by personal realities, wants to voice women issues especially gender inequality, wants to break the gender inequality issues toward women, inspired by another female author, and wants to criticize the gender inequality issues toward women. It could be concluded that this selected short stories contained types of gender inequality towards women, the women's struggle seen from feminism types, and the reason the author of this collection of short stories convey gender inequality issues and women's struggle.

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