

CHAPTER III

RESEARCH METHOD

3.1 Research Design

The researcher used a descriptive qualitative method to analyze the data to understand the utterance stated by the characters in John Green's *The Fault in Our Stars* novel for this research. Qualitative research is focused on structure, pattern, and how something is, stated by Littoselliti (2010, p. 52). Because this study allows the researcher to observe and describe the utterances of the characters in Green's *The Fault in Our Stars* novel (2012) which is used because the writer analyzed the characters' utterance on their dialogue that contains cooperative principle. By applying the theory of flouting maxims by Grice (1975) the analysis of the data is done.

3.2 Research Instrument

The researchers only use John Green's *The Fault in Our Stars* novel to collect the data. The researcher did not need any other type of instrument because the data source is a written text.

3.3 Data and Data Source

According to Bogdan and Biklen (1982:73), data refers to the raw materials that researcher collected from the world the researchers are studied, they are particulars that form the basis of analysis. It means the data for this research are words, phrases, and sentences that are found in the dialogues by the characters in novel as what the researcher studied. The researcher takes the data source from John Green's *The Fault in Our Stars* novel on PDF form from <https://books-library.net/files/books-library.online-12292230Vr3R6.pdf>. The researcher used the dialogue based on what kind of context which can be found of flouting maxim. By reading 25 chapters the researcher took 28 dialogues which contain flouting maxim.

3.4 Data Collection Procedure

In collecting the data, the researcher used some steps. They were:

- a. Reading *The Fault in Our Stars* novel by Green (2012) to collect the data.
- b. Identifying the data needed from the characters' utterances. Thus the researcher found 28 dialogues contained flouting maxim.
- c. Coding the data by Chapter. Page. Line → C1.10.25 was based on which chapter page and line the dialogues located.
- d. Categorizing into two types of flouting maxims. First when the characters flouted one maxim in their dialogue. Second when the characters flouted two maxims in their dialogue.

3.5 Data Analysis Procedure

In data analysis the researcher used three steps. The first is analyzing the data based on the types of flouting maxim. The second is analyzing the reason of flouting a maxim which be seen by the explanation and storyline provided in the novel. The last is making the conclusion.