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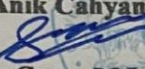
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## ABSTRACT

This study aims to analyze the Dissociative Identity Disorder in the character Penny Francone in D.J Palmer *The Perfect Daughter*. The objective of this study is to describe the symptoms of dissociative identity disorder of Penny Francone and to find the cause and effect in Penny Francone DID. The theory explains that there are four symptoms of DID, loss of memories of the past, awareness of identity, immediate sensations, and control of bodily movements, and for the cause is the Trauma in DID patient, and the last is the three effects are behavior, mood, and psychological condition. The research methods is qualitative method. Qualitative research is research about information such as behavior, beliefs, opinions, emotions, and relationships between individuals. The data are taken from *The Perfect Daughter* that is written by D.J Palmer. The results show that through the character, the novel discusses about a character who has a Dissociative Identity Disorder (DID). Penny Francone and her alters named Ruby, Eve, Chloe, and the hidden alter Isabella Boyd have their own thoughts and personalities. First, the four symptoms explain the loss of memories of the past, awareness of identity, immediate sensations, and control of the bodily movements experienced by Penny and her alters. Second, the cause of DID found is trauma of the event and childhood are experienced by Isabella Boyd and Penny. The last, the behavior, mood and psychological effect are experienced by Penny and her alter. The findings in this study is Penny Francone's DID underscores the interconnectedness between symptoms, cause, and effects within the context of her experiences.

**Keywords:** *Dissociative Identity Disorder, loss of memories of the past, awareness of identity, immediate sensations, control of bodily movements*

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