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ABSTRACT

Conflict can happen to everyone. In social life, someone always has interaction with another, and has many conflicts with each other. Perhaps someone could be torn by the conflict, sometimes they try to avoid situation, in which decision must be made. In this study, the thesis writer wants to show the conflict of Charlie in Stephen Chbosky's *The Perks of Being a Wallflower*. In analyzing the novel, the writer uses qualitative research. An intrinsic approach is used because the study deals with the character and conflict. In the analysis, Charlie's internal conflict happens when his best friend committed suicide and he blames himself because of it. He has a problem to "fit in" in society when he enters high school because people see him as a weird person. However, Charlie's tries to participate more in social life to solve this conflict. Another internal conflict is when Charlie internally fights his feeling for Sam even passes her rejection to him. Then, Charlie has a mental breakdown when he realizes his forgotten past from molestation from his favored Aunt Helen. Even though Charlie has a trauma because of it, he chooses to forgive his Aunty. Charlie has several conflicts with people around him such as Bill, his sister, Patrick, Sam, Mary-Elizabeth, Brad and Aunt Helen. Charlie's conflicts make his life complicated, but he tries to solve his conflicts one by one. Dealing with the explanation above, the writer concludes that Charlie's conflict with the other people around him makes him understand more and know how to participate more in society.

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