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ABSTRACT

This thesis discusses the identity crisis of the main character in Anne Frank's *The Diary of a Young Girl*. The purpose of this research is to analyze the identity crisis as well as the causes of the identity crisis showcased and represented in Anne Frank's *The Diary of a Young Girl*. The writer uses the qualitative research method which is a type of research that aims to gather and analyze non-numerical data. The writer uses library research and uses the psychological approach in literature by applying Erik Erikson's eight stages of development theory. The result of this research shows that the identity crisis that Anne faces during the holocaust are called adjustment disorder which covers anxiety that happens to Anne after the holocaust and quarter-life identity crisis which covers isolation, insecurity, searching for purpose, feeling the need for change and feeling like she is running out of time.

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