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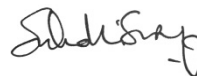
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ABSTRACT

American Dream is a value in America that allows people to have the same opportunities to pursue their success. The term value is chosen regarding the meaning of value itself which "consist in its helping to complete or fulfill some tendency already present" (121 :1914) and "the fulfillment of tendencies in the human organism..." (121:1914). However, in a society, there is a system that leads people to be divided into classes which in each class people have different role and struggle. Both the American Dream and social stratification play a role in society's life. The Hunger Games and the Mocking Jay Part 1 movie, is one of the works in the cinema that gives the example of the relation between the realization of the American Dream and the social stratification. Using Library Research as the method of collecting data, the writer found that the movie shows in order to pursue the ideal life, people in the districts have to deal with the inequality between them and the Capitol as the bourgeoisie in the movie. Using Karl Marx's Marxist, and the American Dream theory, the writer tries to analyze the relation between the realization of American Dream with the social stratification. The result is the writer found that social background such as the economy, and the social environment around people influence the realization of the American Dream. There is a gap between the lower class and the upper class in gaining the same opportunities in pursuing the ideal life.

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