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## **ABSTRACT**

In this research thesis, the writer focuses on identifying the types, causes, and impact of psychological conflicts faced by the main character named Ezra in the novel titled *Take Me with You When You Go* written by David Levithan and Jennifer Niven. The writer uses the theory of psychological conflict by Kurt Lewin to find the types, the causes, and the impact of psychological conflicts faced by Ezra. The writer uses the contextual method as the method to analyze the topic and the library research method to collect the data. The result of the analysis shows that Ezra experiences three types of psychological conflicts namely approach-approach conflict, approach-avoidance conflict, and avoidance-avoidance conflict. There are three causes of Ezra's psychological conflicts namely the needs situation, the space of free movement, and the conflicting goals. Ezra experiences three majors change in character namely the increasing emotional stability, the increasing level of social openness, and the increasing level of courage.

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