

# COURAGE IN ALBERTHIENE ENDAH'S *MIMPI SEJUTA DOLAR*

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## ABSTRACT

*The research result showed main character's courage. There were (1) physical courage, main character dared to fight for her dreams and she was not afraid to be hurt and suffer, (2) social courage, main character dared to be embarrassed in public place when she was ignored by others, (3) intellectual courage, main character made an extreme decision to fight for her resolution, (4) moral courage, Merry Riana felt confident in facing problems and communicates with new people in Singapore, (5) emotional courage, main character faced the challenges of life at NTU without her parents, (6) spiritual courage, main character always prayed and dared to ask God to control everything in her life.*

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## ABSTRAK

Hasil penelitian ditemukan bentuk keberanian yang meliputi, (1) keberanian fisik, yang berupa tokoh utama berani memperjuangkan mimpinya meskipun dia menderita dan terluka, (2) keberanian sosial, yang berupa tokoh utama berani menahan malu ditempat umum ketika diabaikan oleh orang lain, (3) keberanian intelektual, yang berupa tokoh utama berani membuat keputusan yang tepat, (4) keberanian moral, yang berupa tokoh utama berani berinteraksi dengan orang baru di lingkungan baru, (5) keberanian emosional, yang berupa tokoh utama, berani mengatasi masalahnya sendiri tanpa bantuan orang tuanya, 6 keberanian spiritual, yang berupa tokoh utama selalu mengandalkan Tuhan dalam setiap perjuangannya.

**Kata Kunci:** *Novel, Keberanian*

## 1. INTRODUCTION

This research analyzes a novel that focuses on the courage of the main characters whose name is Merry Riana. According to McCain and Salter (2004), courage is an act that risks life or limb or other very serious personal injuries for the sake of other or to uphold a virtue: standard often upheld by battlefield heroics but one that is certainly not limited

to martial valor. Courage can change almost everything impossible become possible in this life. Courage is needed in a struggle to achieve a dream, such as in Alberthiene Endah's *Mimpi Sejuta Dolar*. Merry Riana has to fight the fear she faces with a very difficult situation, so she has to go to Singapore without her family, in such conditions the sense of courage arises because there is no other way to avoid.

There are some reasons why the researcher is interested in analyzing this novel. Firstly, this novel is very inspiring. It tells about how to achieve dreams in a young age. Secondly, this novel manages to become the best-selling novel in Indonesian reaching the National Mega Best-Seller ranking and selling more than 100,000 copies in less than 1 year since its publication.

Thirdly, this novel tells the true story of the courage of a girl named Merry Riana, while studying in Singapore at Nanyang Technological University (NTU) with all financial limitations the condition forced her to go to college while working until finally she could earn a million dollars at the age of 26 years. This novel is an inspirational reference for the writer to examine more deeply what the main character named Merry Riana experienced. So that the expected result of this research is that readers can be inspired and always be excited about life despite the many struggles and challenges.

Based on the background of the study above, the researcher intends to find out the types of courage is shown by main character in Alberthiene Endah's *Mimpi Sejuta Dolar*.

## **2. THEORETICAL FRAMEWORKS**

There are some relevant theories that are used for conducting this research,

they are novella, leadership and bad leadership.

### **a. Psychology**

Psychology is a study that learns about human behavior. Psychology usually includes conscious and unconscious actions, as well as feelings and thoughts. Psychology maybe defined as the science that the studies that consider the literary work as psychology activity, the author uses the thought, feeling, and work in working (Endraswara, 2003:96). In addition, according to William James (in Ruhl 2020) "psychology as the conscience of the mental life because he thought that consciousness is what makes the mental life possible".

From the quote concerning psychology above, it can be understood that every action performed by humans is called behavior and psychology becomes the only way that can be used as a tool to know the reason for people's behavior to certain conditions.

### **b. Psychology of Literature**

Psychology of literature study about human being, but they have different object of concern. Psychology deals with the real life situation and literature deals with imaginary of human being. Psychology studies certain psychological, psychological phenomena experienced by

the main characters in literary works when responding or reacting to themselves and their environment. Leite (2003) proposed that current psychology should have resources that will explain two forms of behavior that are of direct interest to literature (i.e., creative thought and the reading of a literary work). If we examine the adequacy of psychology to explain these two behaviors, we will clarify the occurrence and concretization of the attempt of the psychologist and the fiction writer to present a convincing description of a person and of a character.

According to Roekhan (in Endaswara, 2011) psychology of literature will be supported by three approaches simultaneously. First, the textual approach which examines the psychological aspects of the characters in literature. Secondly, the Receptive-pragmatic approach, which examines the psychological aspects of the reader as a connoisseur of literature that is formed from the influence of works he had read, and the process of the reception reader to enjoy literature. Thirdly, expressive approach which examines the psychological aspects of the author when projecting the creative process through his work, both as a writer of personal and community representatives. From various explanations, it can be concluded that the psychology of literature studies phenomena, certain psychology

experienced by the main characters in literary works when responding or reacting to themselves and their environment.

### **c. Courage**

In human life, the obstacles always come to our life anytime and anywhere and no one knows what kind of obstacles that should be faced. Sometimes, the existence of obstacles make us cannot live peacefully and happily. Thus, the need of courage is the answer of overcoming unexpected and even terrific obstacles that come to our life.

In addition, Woodard (2004, p. 174) stated that: "Courage is defined as the ability to act for a meaningful (noble, good, or practical) cause, despite experiencing the fear associated with perceived threat exceeding the available resources." Meanwhile Clancy (2003:132) stated that: "Courage is likely defined as a willingness to face tough choices as well as overcoming the fear associated with them."

From the quote concerning courage above, it can be understood that courage is an attempt to counter excessive fear of performing certain actions without thinking about any risks.

### **d. The Types of Courage**

There are six types of courage as follow:

### **1. Physical courage**

According to Thomas (2003) “physical courage is implies the willingness to risk life to achieve a goal or reach a potential”. Merry Riana is the main character in the novel *MimpiSejutaDolar*. Merry is known as a woman who is very brave in fighting for her dreams, even she is never afraid despite the circumstances forcing her to be hurt, difficult, injured even suffer. When Merry Riana arrives at her dormitory as her residence during her studies at Nanyang Technological University, she is only able to cook instant noodles as her breakfast.

### **2. Social Courage**

According to Weber et al.(2002) “social courage is a courageous behavior in which the risks involved could damage the actor’s esteem in the eyes of others”. Merry Riana is financial limitations make her have different habits than other students in her college. During the day, her friends will usually go to the canteen for a discussion about lessons while enjoying their lunch and Merry Riana also participates because it is very important to broaden her horizons when sharing with her friends.

### **3. Intellectual courage**

According to Paul Elder (2012) “intellectual courage is the willingness to

face and fairly assess ideas, beliefs, or viewpoints to which we have strong negative reactions; the willingness to analyze critically beliefs we hold dear”. Merry Riana had to think logically about how she would survive due to her financial limitations. So for the first time after arriving in Singapore, Merry Riana begins to dares to makes a calculation about foods that are classified as expensive then she will think before buying them

### **4. Moral Courage**

According to Greitemeyer et al.(2006) “moral courage as brave behavior accompanied by anger and indignation which intends to enforce societal and ethical norms without considering one’s own social costs”. Merry Riana has a very remarkable goal that she wants to achieve success at a young age. Her dream requires courage accompanied by real action. The 1998 riots forces Merry Riana to study in Singapore so that her goals can be achieves, although she does not know how she can studies alone in Singapore without parents by her side.

### **5. Emotional Courage**

According to Peter Bregman (2018) “emotional courage is the willingness to feel, and the driving force behind anything that we accomplish”. Merry Riana has to studies in Singapore because of the riots

that occurred at that time. Actually she is very afraid of the media coverage of the riots but the emotional courage is able to makes her able to overcome her fears and continues to develop her courage so that she can face the reality that is happening.

## 6. Spiritual Courage

According to Luskin (2013) “spirirtual courage is a courage that demonstrated the ability of person to remain in his beliefs despite the oppositions they face”. Merry Riana, is able to goes through her studies at Nanyang Technological University because she believes that God is always with her and helps her so that she dares to live her days with gratitude even though economic limitations is always her challenge every day. Merry Riana dares to fight for her dream despite all the flaws and has to goes to Singapore without family.

## 3. RESEARCH DESIGN

To accomplish this thesis, the writer used some other data to strengthen the new opinion found in this writing. The data used as supporting data, can be found by doing library research. According to George (2008:1) “Library research is not a mystery or a lucky dodge, but an investigation you control from start to finish, even though you cannot usually tell

what sources you will discover. On other side, library research is a form of structured inquiry with specific tools, rules, and techniques”.

From the beginning of data writing of this thesis, it has been told that novel is the object of the analysis. In the other hand, to make this thesis directional analysis, the supporting data applied for this thesis were taken from library research because library research is the way to get data from written source.

The object of this study is the novel Alberthiene Endah’s *Mimpi Sejuta Dolar*. It was published by GramediaPustakaUtama in 2011.

The story of the novella was analyzed to find out the types of courage in Alberthiene Endah’s *Mimpi Sejuta Dolar*.

## 4. DISCUSSION

The data of this analysis were taken from Alberthiene Endah’s *Mimpi Sejuta Dolar*. This analysis was done by using qualitative method which was quoted and put them in papers. This analysis focused on the types of courage shown by main character in this novel.

There are some types of courage found in the main character (Merry Riana). Based on *Mimpi Sejuta Dolar* there are six types of courage which dominate the story; they are physical courage, social courage,

intellectual courage, moral courage, emotional courage and spiritual courage.

### **A. Physical Courage**

Merry Riana is the main character in Alberthiene Endah's *Mimpi Sejuta Dolar*. She is known as a woman who is very brave in fighting for her dreams, even she is never afraid despite the circumstances forcing her to be hurt, difficult, injured even suffer. When she arrives at her dormitory as her residence during her studies at Nanyang Technological University (NTU), she is only able to cook instant noodles as her breakfast. When she consumes her instant noodles, she neglects her physical state. She feel stomach ache and various kinds of diseases can attack her because her immune system decreases due to frequent consumption of instant noodles.

I started to boil my first instant noodle pack in the common kitchen on the first floor of the building. It was a semi-open kitchen-cum-pantry the size of my bedroom that was furnished with a sink, gas stove and a microwave. I slowly savored my instant noodle, and it made me long for Jakarta. I had not realized that the meal I was enjoying would be my closest and most loyal friend during my studies at NTU. (Alberthiene, 2011:54)

Being a student who has financial limitations is not easy. She must be able to

survive with instant noodles that can certainly have an impact on her physical state.

How important had this packet of instant noodles become for my survival. It was no longer a snack, it was my complete meal. I relied on those packs to keep my hunger at bay to survive. (Alberthiene, 2011:61)

No matter how great the facilities of NTU provide Merry Riana, or how great it is like to live among the students there, she cannot escape the fact that her living condition created a large gap between her and other students whose financial status is far more stable. Sometimes she does not have breakfast when her instant noodles run out, she only endures hunger even though it is no easy, she continues to be brave and persevere like that.

Every morning I would start the day by cooking a pack of instant noodle. If I ran out of instant noodle, I would simply skip breakfast entirely. I would not eat anything until lunch time. As I had packed two slice of bread for lunch, I did not have to spend any more money for my meal. The plan seemed easy, but turned out to be awfully hard to stick to. My classes that largely comprised formulating mathematical equations and lab sessions were energy and mind-consuming. By ten or eleven in the morning, I would feel pangs of hunger because a pack of instant noodle was nowhere near to supply me

with the energy I needed until lunch time. I would let myself starve and continue with my lectures the best as I could. (Alberhiene, 2011:67)

Doing something that sometimes has to make us uncomfortable and have an impact on health is something that everyone is rarely able to do. This is very different with Merry Riana. She is willing not to buy drinking water to save her money which is less. When she is thirsty, she looks for the tap water on her campus, although it is not easy for her to consume but it is important to quench her thirst that she has needed during the day.

## **B. Social Courage**

Social courage involves the risk of social embarrassment or exclusion, unpopularity or rejection. It also involves leadership. Everyone must know and have even felt and done social courage when circumstances forced us to continue to endure very difficult conditions. Merry Riana's financial limitation makes her have different habits than other students in her college. During the day, her friends will usually go to the canteen for a discussion about lessons while enjoying their lunch and she also participates because it is very important to broaden her horizons when sharing with her friends. All her friends usually order food from the canteen while Merry Riana does not order,

so the friends are astonished and stare at her strangely. She can only resist embarrassment and says that she is not hungry with a sweet smile, when in fact she is very hungry but she has no money to buy food.

During the day, I would have to face another problem. My college friends usually gathered at the cafeteria to talk about lectures while enjoying their lunch. I would certainly love to join their discussions to broaden my horizons. But when you were at the cafeteria with your friends and you did not buy any food, they would look at you as if you were doing something wrong. There were times I told them I was not hungry. However, in the end my stomach would growl. (Alberthiene, 2011:68)

Merry Riana's austerity strategy is inseparable from feeling depressed when almost every day she wets instant noodles in the common kitchen in her dormitory. For her, cooking instant noodles every morning requires courage that really tests the guts. One day she gets caught up with a friend and she just smiled and holds back the embarrassment.

"Hey, isn't it dangerous for you to eat instant noodle every day? Aren't you afraid to getting of sick because of that?" Asked the Indian student with a serious expression. I replied with a smile. "I really love instant noodle." In fact I felt really

bad for myself when I said that.(  
Alberthiene,2011:69)

To meet her daily needs, Merry Riana uses every semester break to find work. Once, she gets a job as a brochure divider. Merry Riana is work as a brochure divider really needs extra courage because she has to work in a public place that many people and she must be ready to face the rejection of the people that she offers the brochure.

I picked a strategic point near the bottom of an escalator where I could easily catch people going up and coming down the escalator. From that point people could have time to look over the brochures while they took the escalator. It was a trick I learned on my first day of work. I notice that most people had the tendency of tossing away the brochures as soon as they received them. So I had to think of some way to at least give the brochures one glance before throwing them away. (Alberthiene,2011: 90)

Being rejected many times is not new anymore for Merry Riana, often she feels hurt getting treatment from these people, sometimes some people do not take brochures even though it has been offered, there are some people who throw their faces and ignore Merry Riana.

### C. Intellectual Courage

Intellectual courage is the willingness to learn new things using logical and broad thinking. Merry Riana who has been studying in Nanyang Technological University has to think logically about how she will survive due to her financial limitations. So, for the first time after arriving in Singapore, Merry Riana began to dares to consider expensive and cheap food. So, Merry Riana will not buy foods that are classified as expensive. After dinner, my brain went on a number-crunching mode. Tomorrow I would probably recalculate my entire expenses for the duration of my stay in Singapore. This was my first lesson on leading a frugal life. (Alberthiene,2011:50)

Merry Riana arranges what food she has to buy in the cafeteria because she does not have enough money to buy expensive food. She only has 10 dollars for her needs in one week. So she starts setting her strategy that she decided to eat cheap food to save her money.

So I had to arrange in such a way that two or three times a week I would eat lunch at the cafeteria, particularly when there was a special discussion on certain class subject of my interest. Even then, I would choose the dish from the cheapest food stall. There was a food court at the campus with a row of small and appealing



food stalls that sold a variety of dishes. I would always go to the Chinese food stall that offered the cheapest one-dollar menu. For that amount of money, I was able to buy a portion of rice with two side dishes that most often would be bean sprouts and tofu. Tofu was considered as a vegetable and therefore not as spicy as meat dishes. (Alberthiene,2011:680)

Merry Riana has many ideas to survive while at Nanyang Technological University (NTU) is to be brave to find information about organizations on campus that will hold activities because usually each activity will distribute free food to the participants after the activity is over. And Merry Riana's goal in participating in these activities is to get free food.

There was also a unique strategy that I used for my survival. Several of my friends, who like me were trying to cut back on their expenses, would join some organizations' activities. For examples, we'd join activities of Buddhist students, Catholic students or literature buffs, and so on. They often posted their activities' schedule on the campus announcement board. I knew that every time these groups held a great-together, they'd always close the event with a free meal. (Alberthiene,2011:70)

Merry Riana keeps thinking about how she can survive and how she copes

with her difficulties so that she does not goes through it all the time. So she dares to decide to find a job even though it is not easy because she is still in college.

The second thing I thought about was what would happen on the following days. It filled my head constantly every time I went to bed and wake up in the morning. What would I have to do to curb my difficulties? What did I have to do to ease the burden from my shoulders? Such anxiety stimulated my mind. I started thinking about getting a job, even though it would not be easy to do along-side the tough time I had with my studies.( Alberthiene,2011:78)

She thinks logically how she can work without having to interfere with her college time at Nanyang Technological University. With a variety of clear and reasonable considerations, she decides to find work on her college holidays such as semester holidays. All the decisions she thinks requires a very high intellectual courage to makes a lot of money in order to makes her life worth and not starve.

#### **D. Moral Courage**

Moral courage is the courage to do the right thing even when it is uncomfortable or unpopular, especially when the risk involves shame and disapproval of others. Moral courage also concerned with ethnicity and integrity, the resolution to

match words and actions with values and ideas. Merry Riana has a very remarkable goal that she wants to achieve success at a young age. Her dream requires courage accompanied by real action. The 1998 riots forced Merry Riana to study in Singapore so that her goals can be achieved, although she does not know how she can study alone in Singapore without her parents by her side. But her circumstances and ideals require her to be brave without thinking about what will happen there.

I had not occurred to me that a drastic change in the course of my life would happen that suddenly. I did not have time to prepare, at least psychologically. I did not even have the will to do other than to survive. Thinking back, the family's decision to send me to Singapore was the greatest turning point in my life. I would have to live quite some distance away from my family. I would face a new life that I had little knowledge of. At the time, I was quite aware of the numerous other surprises I would encounter during my stay in Singapore, other than the fact I would be "living away from my family". (Alberthiene, 2011:27).

After Merry Riana knows about her parents' decision that she has to study in Singapore, Merry Riana gathered all her courage. She convinced herself that she can get through it all on her own because there is no other way. And the only thing

to achieve her dream is that she has to go to Singapore.

Once the decision to send me to Singapore was finalized, I made an effort to develop my own courage and joy. There were days when I felt low, and those moments I felt like crying and thought I was not at all ready to face the change that was coming my way so soon. The overall situation at the time did not get any better. (Alberthiene, 2011:36).

Merry Riana thinks that her decision to go to Singapore is the courage to face something new. Although she feels uncomfortable in the face of such uncomfortable conditions because she is not used to it. But she is determined to remain brave to take all the risks that will happen there.

I still remember how touching it was to see the expression of my parents. They seriously thought about all the preparation for my departure. Their seriousness somehow gave me the strength I needed then. I knew I had to be brave so I could in turn make them happy and proud. (Alberthiene, 2011:37).

After Merry Riana arrived in Singapore, she lives in a dormitory provided by the Nanyang Technological University campus. Merry Riana's new life must adapt to her dorm situation. She occupies a very simple room to be able to

be independent because she is far from her family.

That night I knew I would gradually be removed from the home I used to know, away from my parents and faced with the challenge of becoming an independent young woman. I could not sleep thinking about this. (Alberthiene, 2011:53).

A young girl named Merry Riana has to go to college and she survives on \$10 a week. For her, it is a very difficult and uncomfortable one. She has no choices to avoid such difficult situations that she simply forced herself to continue to be brave and persevere with the cleverness.

### **E. Emotional Courage**

Emotional courage is the willingness to feel. And it is the driving force behind anything important that we accomplish. In other words, emotional courage means we are willing to act on our emotions while we are feeling them, even if we are afraid of the outcome. Merry Riana has to study in Singapore because of the riots that occurred at that time. Actually she is very afraid of the media coverage of the riots but the emotional courage is able to make her able to overcome her fears and continue to develop her courage so that she can face the reality that is happening.

I was never a frightful little girl. I never like imagining bad things, and my inner strength was not easily swayed by the

broadcast of violent incidents of television. Yet on that particular day, I really felt as though my mind was held hostage by fear. (Alberthiene, 2011:20).

At the beginning of the lecture, she has very difficult times, she has to attend lectures that is not easy. Every morning she has to go quite a distance from the dormitory to the campus by foot. She is not comfortable with the condition that repeats itself every day, so there is an emotional courage in her heart to find a job so that her anxieties and limitations in life can be overcome.

I felt something move in my heart. It was as though I had heard a voice say, "You have to work and earn money, Merry. You can't live like this!" The voice came at me as if straight from my own reflection. (Alberthiene, 2011:71).

She continues to focus on her college even though her life is lacking due to the financial damage she has experienced. She always dares to draw conclusions to put all campus needs above her own. In fact, she has to resist the temptation of her heart not to shop at the mall and eat at the canteen like her friends. She prefers to go to the library and read books there even though it is difficult but she still dares to remain strong and considers her difficulties as a normal life.

I tried to create a beautiful melody in the middle of my utterly worrisome life. I told myself to stay patient, to survive through the difficult time. I had turned these situations into a normal life so much so that I did not see any reason for complaining. (Alberthiene,2011:77).

She does not waste her time when the semester break arrives. She dares to find a job by visiting shops and asking if there is any hiring at the store. She experiences any rejections and she never gives up. Even her emotional courage is radiated even more to keep looking until she finally gets her first job as a brochure divider in public places. She becomes more and more confident. She is capable and dares to do the job even though; it is her first experience working. Her passion for making money so that he does not feel difficulties anymore triggers her courage to act more realistically.

If I could get through my school days with barely enough food, it would be possible for me to finish my studies by doing something that would improve my living condition. I had to change my destiny by doing something about my financial situation. I convinced myself to take a real action, to earn extra money! (Alberthiene,2011:89).

For an hour she distributes brochures to passersby on the street even though she is sweating from the hot sun

that burned her skin. In fact, she must be willing to accept the risk of being hurt, sad and ashamed, every time she is rejected by these people. But the spirit of her soul always fueled her courage and convinced her that the longer she stands up the more money she will earn.

Throughout the first few hours I felt embarrassed, sad and emotional. The seemingly, easy job really had really had the potential giving me heartache! The sun was high and the temperature was rising. I wiped away beads of sweat from my forehead, breathed calmly and sat on the road side. It was not at all an easy job...The longer she could stand on her feet distributing these brochures, the more money she could take home. "Life is hard. I am not going to cry over it," she said. (Albertheiene,2011:91).

Merry Riana's courage is further tastes when she works at Florist. She is challenges to go to luxury offices around the area where she works to distribute flower shop brochures and she has to dares to ask for business cards from the secretary, or the respective office employees. Such a job requires emotional courage because the office for which she is going to offer her brochure is so grand and elite that she must be able to fight the fear, insecurity and confusion that arise from within her.

## **F. Spiritual Courage**

Spiritual courage is a courage that demonstrated the ability of person to remain in his beliefs despite the oppositions they face. Merry Riana, is able to goes through her studies at Nanyang Technological University because she believes that God is always with her and helps her so that she dares to live her days with gratitude even though economic limitations is always her challenge every day. Merry Riana dares to fight for her dream despite all the flaws and has to goes to Singapore without family.

I try my best to strengthen myself and remain positive. My departure to a foreign country without my parents was probably God's ways to prepare me for my own independence. It was a huge challenge for me. It was also privilege. I convinced myself of the positive aspects despite the butterflies in my guts. (Alberthiene,2011:40).

Merry Riana spends her days at the NanyangTechonological University campus very hard. But she still dares to live it because she knows everything will be fine because God is so able to help her even though she has to suffer. Sometimes, she only has instant noodle for breakfast. She often comes to the church located in Jurong West to pray that she can face her difficulties bravely without worry.

I would pour my heart out while praying at this small and modest church. I would always feel strengthened after I had finished my prayers. My routine after leaving church was to go to nearest ATM. I would withdraw ten dollars from my account and I would hold on to the money while praying, wishing that the next seven days would go smoothly. (Alberthiene,2011:72).

Life is getting harder day by day, which makes Merry Riana more and more in need of God to help her so that she is able to have the courage to face suffering without worry and fear.

In the midst of all the tough times I had, I missed God the most. It had become a culture in my life to resign myself to the spiritual powers. I would perform rosary prayers, novena prayers, and other religious rituals I had learned from my mother. Being on my own in Singapore I turned to become even more religious. (Alberthiene,2011:79).

She admits that her courage to face every difficulty is God is help so that she can become better. She has very extraordinary ideas that God has given to her. She can survive even though it is very hard to get through tough challenges.

God had shown me the way through so many of my troubles. Two years had gone by since I first arrived in NTU and in those two years I had sailed through some

of the most difficult times in my life and I had worked hard at my job which for most girls my age was no easy to do. I thank God that I have been able to manage my studies and my life here in Singapore until this day. (Alberthiene,2011:99).

Merry Riana is able to go through very difficulties initial 2 years as a student at Nanyang Technological University because of the influence of her faith in God. Her faith nurtured her spiritual courage in the face of a very difficult life. She never feels afraid and worries about her college due to lack of money but she is brave and confident and passionate.

#### 4. CONCLUSIONS

Courage does not mean without fear. Sometimes humans have to fight their fears when faced with uncomfortable and safe situations. Merry Riana has the courage to live her life as a student who has financial limitations and she dreams of being successful before the age of 30. Her goal is achieved because she has 6 types of courage which are physical, social, intellectual, moral, emotional and spiritual courage.

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