

## A PERSONALITY ANALYSIS OF THE MAIN CHARACTER IN THE “3 IDIOTS” MOVIE

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### **Abstract**

*The research described personality of 3 idiots movie directed by Rajkumar Hirani and written by Abhijat Joshi. The purpose of this research was to analyze the personality development benefits of the main character such as self-confidence, credibility, leadership qualities, interpersonal skills, curiosity, and communication skills, also to find the dominant data of the main character's personality. In the writing of this research, the researcher used qualitative research method. The researcher used the theory of Donnellan & Robins to analyze the personality development benefits. The researcher collected the data from 3 Idiots movie as a primary data. Then for the secondary data sources from books, internet, journal, that is relevance to strengthen the argument. The data collection in this research was done by watching movie and took notes before did the analysis from dialogue, situation that delivered in the movie which becomes the main data of this research. In result of this research, the researcher found that the main character, Rancho, depicted has a high self-confidence.*

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### **INTRODUCTION**

Literary works are generally based on facts and experiences. Literature is imaginative which express feelings and thoughts that related to life experience. Literature is thus summed up as permanent expressions in words (written or spoken), specially arranged in pleasing accepted patterns or forms. Literature expresses thoughts, feelings, ideas or other special aspects of human experiences (Olaofe Isaac Ade & Oyeniyi Okunoye, 2008).

In most cases, literature is referred to as the entirety of written expression, with the restriction that not every written document can be categorized as literature in the more exact sense of the word. The definitions, therefore, usually include additional adjectives such as “aesthetic” or “artistic” to distinguish literary works from texts of everyday use such as telephone books, newspapers, legal documents, and scholarly writings (Klarer, 2004). Based on the explained, the researcher concluded that written documents that use in daily life such as telephone books, newspapers, and so on are not called as literature. Literature includes aesthetic

or artistic that means dealing with the nature of beauty and taste and it is the result of the work of a person or a team's expertise.

A movie is one type of literary work. By the use of words, a movie can provide a concrete description to the viewer. These days, movies are so popular. : According to Aoudah (as cited in Selvy, 2018), movie is the most famous entertainment media around the world. Movie has many interesting side we can see. Start from action, audio, visual, location, situation, technology and many more. Motion picture is combination between movement, words, music and colors.

Person's personality is a set of unique qualities and relatively lasting traits that give both coherence and uniqueness to their behavior (Zamrodah, 2016). In another definition, Gopikrishnan (2016) stated in his book entitled A Course in Personality Development that personality is a distinctive pattern of thoughts, feelings, and behaviors that distinguish one person from another and persist over time. It is the sum of the biological and learned behaviors that make up a person's unique response to environmental stimuli.

Rancho-as RanchodasShalmadasChanchad- is a genius student. He often brings up brilliant, unique and challenging ideas. All of his thoughts, performances and behavior are full of revolutionary criticisms of the conditions in the world of education in India, especially in the ICE campus environment. His thoughts and lifestyle are always rebellious and do not want to compromise with academic standards which he considers oppressive and only make students as "donkeys". Because of his thoughts that tend to be opposed to the academic system, Rancho and his two friends (Farhan and Raju) who follow his steps and mindset are called idiots by their lecturers. So that the researcher conducted the research related to the background above under the title **A PERSONALITY ANALYSIS OF THE MAIN CHARACTER IN THE “3 IDIOTS” MOVIE.**

## **PERSONALITY**

People have different mindsets and habits which are known as personalities. According to Gopikrishnan (2016) personality is a distinctive pattern of thoughts, feelings, and behaviors that distinguish one person from another and persist over time. It is the sum of the biological and learned behaviors that make up a person's unique response to environmental

stimuli. In another definition, according to Young (2018) personality is a set of characteristics possessed by a person that uniquely influence his behavior in various situations.

## **PERSONALITY DEVELOPMENT**

According to Donnellan& Robins (2012), personality development is considered only as training to improve someone's outlook. This is an empty statement and it must be realized that personality development is a fairly broad topic and includes how someone can educate them to have a clean and neat social personality with grace. Based on the explained, personality development is a training to educate personality to improve one's outlook to be better and more graceful.

According to Donnellan& Robins (2012), the benefits of personality development can be divided into 6 types, there are: self-confidence, credibility, leadership qualities, interpersonal skills, curiosity, and communication skills.

1. **Self-confidence:** self-confidence is an important trait required to face success in our lives. Although many of us still find it difficult to hold the trait within and this vicious cycle of lacking confidence may lead to keep us distant from our desires.
2. **Credibility:** a best personality is hidden by their shabby look and cheap clothes. So it is always good to show a credible attitude by improving your physical characteristics. Always find a waypoint to show trust to your peers.
3. **Leadership Qualities:** a good leader actively motivates his group to succeed. This quality is intended to help people achieve their ambitions. Effective leaders need to have extensive knowledge of motivational factors for others. Leaders need to be moral and ethical, and pay attention to harmonizing the needs of their subordinates.
4. **Interpersonal Skills:** interpersonal skills are skills performed everyday which includes interaction with other people, both individually and in groups. Interpersonal skills are more centered on communication, listening, questioning and understanding body language. It also includes the skills and attributes related to the emotional intelligence or being able to understand and manage your own and others' emotions.

5. Curiosity: a wrong word can lead to major destructions in an environment. We should say right things at right places to make others feel sophisticated and comfortable. This deal with understanding the different cultures and avoid such related blunders in a business environment. If failed in following certain culture based systems, may break a deal or affect the future of the business.
6. Communication Skills: most important trait despite other skill is being able to communicate our thoughts and feelings to others. Communication is defined as sharing the information from one place to the other either vocally, written, visually or non-verbally. Information transmittance must be clear and understandable to make the listening group or individual more interactive.

## **METHODOLOGY**

In conducting a research, a method is needed to guide the way of research along with theory. According to Bogdan and Taylor in Hericha (2017:29), qualitative research is a research procedure that procedures descriptive data in the form of speech or writing of the behavior of the people who observed.

The source of the data are primary data and secondary data. According to Klarer (2004:4), primary sources denote the traditional objects of analysis in literary criticism, including texts from all literary genres, such as fiction, poetry, or drama. In this research, researcher used the primary data as the main data to completing this study. The primary data was taken from “3 Idiots” movie especially the script. According to Klarer (2004:4), secondary sources apply to texts such as articles, book reviews, and very specific notes on a topic which are all published primarily in scientific journals. In this research, researcher used the secondary data to support primary data analysis such as books, journals, thesis, and web pages to support this research related the problem of the study.

According to Sugiyono (as cited in Hericha, 2017:31) stated that data collection procedures can be done with observation, interview, documentation. Primary data from this research was “3 Idiots” movie script and the secondary data the researcher took other reference from internet such as theory about personality development benefits , literature books and journal that support this research. The researcher used several steps to collect the data as follows:

- a. The researcher searched for the theory of personality development benefits.
- b. The researcher selected the “3 Idiots” movie.
- c. The researcher watched the “3 Idiots” movie several times.
- d. The researcher searched and then printed the script for the "3 Idiots" movie.

According to Bogdan and Biklen (2007:159), data analysis is the process of systematically searching for and organizing interview transcripts, field notes, and other material that people collect to enable people to find findings. The researcher conducted the analysis through the following steps:

- a. The researcher classified the script of the movie.
- b. Analyzed the personality development benefits and find the dominant data of the personality development benefits in the main character that find in script or narrative of the movie "3 Idiots".
- c. Explained the data that find in script or narrative of the movie.
- d. Made the conclusion.

## RESULT/FINDINGS

The researcher used “3 Idiots” movie as the primary data and used books, journals, web pages as the secondary data. The researcher found as follows:

### 1. Personality Development

#### 1) Self-confidence

##### Datum 1:

Rancho : It will fly! We'll make it fly. Don't tell Joy. It'll be a surprise. We'll fly it up to his window and capture his reaction.

##### Datum 2:

Rancho : 5 years ago he wrote this for his favorite wildlife photographer, André ... He wanted to train with him in Hungary. But in fear of his dad, Hitler Qureshi, never posted it. Quit engineering, marry photography, follow your talent.

##### Datum 3:

Rancho : 'Cause you're a coward. Scared of the future. Look at this, more holy rings than fingers. One ring per fear: exam, sister's dowry and job. With such fear of tomorrow, how will you live today? How will you focus on studies? ... Strange buddies! One lives in fear and the other in pretense.

Datum 4:

Rancho : I tried earlier, Sir. It simply didn't work.

Datum 5:

Rancho : She destroyed it, man.

2) Credibility

Datum 6:

Rancho : Please come with me. What's that oath you doctors take – you'll never deny a patient help ... the Hippocratic Oath. Please help me, it's an emergency.

Datum 7:

Rancho : Here, Sir. Keep the batteries here and the wires.

Rancho : Raju, switch off everything, connect the inverter to the mains.

Rancho : Good. Fix this to the gauge.

Rancho : All switches off? Hit the table and computer switches.

Rancho : Raju, turn on the computer. Farhan! Come on, help me..connect this! ... Connected with this.

Datum 8:

Rancho : Don't marry that ass. He's not a human being, he's a price tag. He'll turn your life into a nightmare of brands and prices. He'll ruin your life. Your future will be finished. Want a demonstration? Shall I find out the price of his shoes? I won't ask. He'll announce it himself. Just see. Hold.

3) Leadership Qualities

Datum 9:

Rancho : Go speak to him ... from your heart. ... For once, dump your fears or someday, on your deathbed, you'll regret it. You'll remember that the letter was in your hand, the taxi at the gate with just a little courage, you could've turned your life around.

4) Interpersonal Skills

Datum 10:

Rancho : Because I love machines. Engineering is my passion.

5) Curiosity

Datum 11:

Rancho : One question, Sir. Sir, if pens didn't work in outer space why didn't the astronauts use a pencil? They'd have saved millions.

6) Communication Skills

Datum 12:

Rancho : Yes. Results should not be displayed at all. Why publicise someone's flaws? If your iron count is low, will the doctor prescribe tonic or air your report on TV. You see, Sir?

Datum 13:

Rancho : No one got the answer? Now rewind your life by a minute. When I asked this question, were you excited? Curious? Thrilled that you'd learn something new? Anyone? ... Sir? No. You all got into a frantic race. What's the use of such methods, even if you come first. Will your knowledge increase? No, just the pressure. This is a college, not a pressure cooker.

2. Dominant Data

Below is the number of each benefits of personality development:

*Table 1. Dominant Data Personality Development*

No.	Benefits of Personality Development	Number
1.	Self-confidence	5
2.	Credibility	3
3.	Leadership qualities	1
4.	Interpersonal skills	1
5.	Curiosity	1
6.	Communication skills	2
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>13</b>

Based on the table, it is identified that the most dominant data of the benefits of personality development is self-confidence (5), the second is credibility (3).

**DISCUSSION**

Datum 1:

Based on the data, Rancho has self-confidence. He believes that he and his friends can make Joy's wireless camera atop a helicopter fly which is he believes with himself and his abilities to fix it.

Datum 2:

Based on the data, Rancho has given a motivation and helped Farhan avoid the disturbance of life.

Datum 3:

Based on the data, Rancho does not only give a motivation and helped Farhan but he also does it to Raju. He does not discriminate in his treatment to his friends. Rancho has given a motivation and helped his friends avoid the disturbance of life.

Datum 4:

Based on the data above, it can be seen that Rancho has a self-confidence. He can hold back emotion strongly without cursing the Professor.

Datum 5:

Based on the data above, One day Pia meets Rancho at a mall. Then he walked over to Rancho. He asked about the time of his sister's wedding. Rancho also replied that he had no problem with Pia's father even though he made a project with Pia's father's name. But Pia doesn't accept it and gets angry while throwing the Rancho project. However, Rancho did not get angry or physically abuse Pia even though Pia had dropped her project on purpose. Rancho kept talking to Pia softly without cursing at Pia. It can be concluded that Rancho can hold emotions very well which is one of the characteristics of self-confidence. Based on the explanation, it can be concluded that Rancho has self-confidence. Because there are some characteristics of self-confident that he has, those are: believes in his abilities, helps his friends avoid the disturbance of life, and has unchanging temperament which is can hold back the emotion strongly.

Datum 6:

Based on the data above, it can be seen that Rancho cares with others, although they are not his family.

Datum 7:

Rancho helped the director's daughter give birth with her own project tool. At that time the lights suddenly went out, then Rancho directed his friends to help him operate his project. After rancho managed to turn on his project, Rancho did the direction that was directed by Pia via video call. Finally the director's daughter was able to give birth to her child safely. It can be concluded that Rancho has skill and intelligence. He can help director's daughter give birth although he did not come from the medical department.

Datum 8:



Based on the data above, at that time Rancho and his friends went to the wedding of people they didn't even know. When he arrived there, Rancho turned his gaze to a pair of lovers who were arguing. When the man left, Rancho came to the woman. He tries to tell the woman not to marry the man. Rancho says that man is arrogant and that man will always mention the price of his goods even without anyone asking about it. Rancho also says that he can prove it to the woman. Rancho also managed to prove it to the woman by soiling the man's shoes, which not long after the man got angry and mentioned the price of the shoes. It can be concluded that Rancho is a kind person. He cares about other people even though he doesn't know them. That is one type of characteristics of credibility.

Datum 9:

Based on the data, it can be seen that Rancho focuses on developing Farhan by giving a specific action to Farhan.

Datum 10:

Based on the data, Farhan and Raju were cursing their lecturers while they were drunk. Rancho was dizzy seeing the behavior of his friend who was drunk at that time. Then he told and explained why he always became the first. He came first because engineering is his choice. He loved machines. That is why he always enjoyed while studying that and can focus on that without fear of everything. It can be concluded that Rancho has his personal choice. That is one of the characteristics of interpersonal skills.

Datum 11:

The Director told a story about astronaut's pen. He said that scientist had spent millions to invent that pen. Because a fountain pens and ballpoint pens do not work in outer space. One day when the Director was a student, he was called by the Director of the ICE institute. The Director said that the pen was a symbol of excellence and he gave it to him. The Director also said that when he came across an extraordinary students like himself, pass it onto him. And for 32 years, he has been waiting for that student but no luck.

After the Director told about that, Rancho raised his hand. Rancho had a question. He wondered that why the Astronauts did not use pencil if pens did not work in outer place. It could make the scientist would have saved a million. All freshmen at there were laughing here that,

except the Director. The Director speechless and did not know the answer. It can be concluded that Rancho has some characteristic of curiosity, those are: enjoying the new knowledge and realized that there is a gap between what he knows and what he wants to know and tries to get closer to the gap by asking that to the Director.

Datum 12:

Based on the data, during the group photo session, the student's name will be called then the students sit down based on the ranking they get. When Rancho's name was called, he asked why the students had to sit according to their rank. Then the Director asked if there was a problem with it. Then Rancho also agreed with the Director's question and explained that this ranking system is the same as the caste system where it is not fun. The director asked if Rancho had a better idea. And then Rancho also explained that all the results do not need to be displayed because it is something that is personal. Rancho also gave an appropriate and correct example that is in accordance with the examples of everyday life.

Then the Director commented to Rancho that from Rancho's explanation, he had to go to each class and whisper what rank they got. Rancho laughed hearing that and explained what he meant by saying that the ranking system only created division with the other students. From the explanation above, it can be seen that Rancho can communicate quickly without leaving any information and messages in accordance with the facts and provide examples that are suitable for everyday life. It is all one of the characteristics of communication skills.

Datum 13:

In class, Rancho wrote 2 words on the blackboard and asked everyone in the class to find the meaning of the word in the book for 30 seconds and also challenged who could find it first and who found it last. The director was also looking for the meaning of the word. After the time was up, no one could find the meaning of the words. Rancho also explained that none of the students were interested and wanted to learn with the 2 words he made on the blackboard earlier. The students just got into a frantic race. He explained that there was no point in such a system even if the person was first. The system cannot increase knowledge, but the system only makes students depressed.

Suddenly the Director interrupts Rancho's conversation and says that the class is not a philosophy class and asks what the word means. Rancho says that the 2 words have no meaning, they are just the names of his friends Farhan and Raju. It can be concluded that Rancho can communicate quickly without leaving any information and it is accurate in accordance with the reality or problems that exist on campus by giving examples exactly like those in everyday life. These are all characteristics of communication skills.

Dominant Data:

It can be concluded that this movie contains more self-confidence lessons. There are many people who do not have self-confidence. If people are looking for their confidence, people can watch this movie. This movie can help them to guide and find self-confidence in an implied or explicit way.

## **CONCLUSIONS**

This part is considered to be a conclusion of this thesis. The conclusion is drawn based on personality theory which is applied in analyzing Rancho's character in this paper entitled "A Personality Analysis of the Main Character in the "3 Idiots" Movie ByRajkumarHirani." This paper's objectives are to understand the two questions: how are the main character's personality development benefits and how the dominant data of the main character's personality development benefits.

Rancho's characteristics related to the theory of personality that depicted the personality development benefits. The first personality development benefits is self-confidence. Self-confidence is able to make someone more open to learning and feedback which can help acquire new skills. The second personality development benefits is credibility. Someone can be called has credibility if they perceived by others to be trusted, believable, and confident advisor by showing a high level of expertise. Next, the personality development benefit is leadership qualities. An individual influences a group of individuals to achieve a common goal such as motivation, spirit and so on.

Then, the fourth personality development benefit is the interpersonal skills. Independent individuals, self-disclosure, rational, personal choice, constant and inescapable can

build interpersonal skills. The fifth is curiosity. Someone can have a fulfilling life with experiencing and learning new things from curiosity. The last personality development benefit is communication skills. By sharing information from one place to other either vocally, written, visually or non-verbally which must be clear and understandable to make the listening group or individual more interactive.

The dominant data from the “3 Idiots” movie is self-confidence. There are many people who do not have self-confidence. If people are looking for their confidence, people can watch this movie. This movie can help them to guide and find self-confidence in an implied or explicit way.

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