CHAPTER III

ANALYSIS

In this chapter, the writer divides the discussion into two parts. In the first part, the writer will analyze Daniel Boyle’s characterization. In the second part, the analysis will be about the factors that influence Daniel Boyle to become psychopath, means the reasons of him become psychopath. The writer also discusses the kinds of woman who become the victims of his psychopathy.

3.1. Daniel Boyle’s character

In this novel, there are some characters, but the writer only focuses on the minor character, named Daniel Boyle. Boyle has some characterization, they are;

3.1.1. Pretend

The first Daniel Boyle’s characterization is like to pretend. When Boyle is mixed with many people in his surroundings area and doing a camouflage to get the attention of women who will be his victim, he becomes a man who is very stylish and neat. It because he wants to seem like a people as general. His stylish characterization can be seen by the narrative and when Boyle speaks to Jennifer Montgomery, a girl whom he abducts and tortures.
Boyle could get her to cry. Beg, too. He could make her shed that fake, WASPy exterior faster than a snake shed its skin. He picked up the box of tissues next to him, stood and walked toward her. He could smell her perfume. Some women couldn’t carry it well. She did. Boyle held out the box. The woman turned around, looking angry at being disturbed. Her expression softened a bit when she saw his suit and tie, his nice shoes. He wore a wedding ring and a Rolex watch. He looked professional and put together. He looked trustworthy. ‘I didn’t mean to bother you,’ Boyle said. ‘I just thought you could use this. I’ve already gone through a box myself. (65)

From the quotation above, it shows that Boyle is like to pretend to be stylish and neat man. He is also nice and sweet when he offers a box of tissue to her, to get some information about her, when he wants a girl to be his victim.

3.1.2. Impulsive and hard to control their self

The second Boyle’s characterization is impulsive and hard to control their self. He likes to torture his victims impulsively. He also like to imagines the process when he tortures his victims. He looks the image and imagines a girl or woman who will be his victim with very desire. For Boyle, imagining to torture his victims is something gratified and wonderful thing to enjoy.
Boyle pushed the thought aside. It would have to wait until he returned home. He went back to imagining all the wonderful things he could do with Jennifer Montgomery in his basement. (68)

The quotation shows that Daniel Boyle gets his victim, Jennifer Montgomery, and will do something with her, that is torture her and makes her cry. He is very like to imagining a torturing his victims. It because he feels stimulated and he loves it.

Boyle stared up at the wall crammed full of pictures of the women he had hunted over the years. Sometimes he sat here for hours, staring up at the faces and recalling what he had done to each of them. Pleasant thoughts to pass the time. (79)

Besides like to imagine a girl or woman who will be his victims, Boyle likes to spend his time to look at the pictures of the woman whom he had hunted during many years for many hours, and that is a gratified and wonderful thing that he enjoyed to do.

3.1.3. People are to be manipulated for his needs.

The third Boyle’s characterization is manipulated other people for his needs. He is smart to deceive the other people. Daniel Boyle is a character who has a psychopath characterization. Most of psychopath have smart thought, including Daniel Boyle. He is also smart in deceiving all of people. The act that he did in purpose is to deceive many people in order
that his plan, that is to abduct many women, can run well without
everyone know.

As he waited for the elevator, he thought about Jennifer
Montgomery. She was young. That was important. The younger
ones could go the distance. The women in their late forties to early
fifties didn’t last as long. He didn’t like bringing them home, but
he had to take women of all ages, colors and sizes so the police
wouldn’t make a connection. It was important to randomly select
his victims. Boyle had studied police work. There were many
books on such things, and there was the internet. Information was
everywhere. (67)

The quotation shows that Boyle is a smart psychopath who can
deceive everyone so that he can continue to abduct and torture many
women by choosing his victims randomly. He takes women from all ages,
colors, and size of the body, so that the police cannot find him and make a
connection.

Boyle also deceives the public when he makes the other people,
Slavick, did wrong and he makes Slavick become the scapegoat.

This was a mistake. He had carefully built a trail of evidence that
led back to Earl Slavick. The blood, the padded mailers and the
navy blue fibers, the pictures he had taken of Carol – everything
led to Slavick. Banville shouldn’t be here. (215)
That quotation shows if Daniel Boyle deceives and traps the other people to save himself from the suspect as traveler. It aims to save himself with makes other people who ever doing a criminal actions become a scapegoat. He collect the evidences and aims to Slavick, who ever doing a criminal actions. He does it in order to the police supposed Slavick did this abduction and embellishment of many women.

3.1.4. Unable to accept failures

The fourth Daniel Boyle’s characterization is unable to accept the failures. Daniel Boyle is a man who have a critical thought. When his plan do not run well, he can not accept that. He will think how his plan can not run well and how he copes that. He also can think in detail in order to all of his plan are run well.

Rachel must have told the police something. But what could she have possibly said? She didn’t know anything about the Belham woods or how many women he had buried there. Rachel didn’t know his name or where he lived – she certainly didn’t know about where he had buried his mother/sister. What could Rachel have told them? Had she found something in his office? In the filing cabinet? The questions kept turning over and over in his mind as he packed the envelopes and laptop.

From the quotation above shows that Boyle thinks more about Rachel, his victim who had run away and had been free from his prison in downstairs ground. He has a critical thought in suspecting to Rachel.
While he packed his envelopes and his laptop, Daniel Boyle thinks away and deems whether Rachel told the police to inform something or not. He also thinks how Rachel can be free from his prison in downstairs ground and run away whereas there is nothing women who is free before. It means that he can not accept his failures when Rachel was free from his hand.

3.1.5. Do not have sense of regret and guilt.

Although sometimes psychopathic confession, but he is much underestimated even denied due to his actions and did not have strong desire to care for a moment. The fifth Daniel Boyle’s characterization is he never regrets and never sad. He has a strong character. When he makes a little miscalculation, he is never remorseful of that. He takes the other way efficiently and he can thinks quickly.

Boyle zipped up the suitcase. He didn’t know regret or sadness.

The emotional concepts were as foreign to him as the terrain on the moon. Still, he would miss this house, his childhood home, with its big rooms and privacy, the magnificent view of the lake from the master bedroom. What he would miss most was the basement. (214-215).

The quotation shows that Boyle does not know about regret and sadness. For him, the emotional concepts is the same as the surface of the moon. The surface of the moon is not flat, while the concept of emotion is not flat too. It sometime up and down, sometime happy and sad. And also
Daniel Boyle, when he got in a rainy day because of his miscalculation, he tries to take the next way, that is to leave his town and home.

3.1.6. Merciless

The sixth Daniel Boyle’s characterization is merciless. He merciless to kill his family include his mother, grandparents, and of course many women he killed. He kills his family who make him uncomfortable and the women who make him interested.

He walked past the walk-in closets still holding his mother’s clothes and knelt on the floor next to the window overlooking the driveway. He peeled back the carpet, removed the loose floorboard and grabbed the well-oiled Mossberg shotgun and shells. He had used it only once, to kill his grandparents. (215)

*Why should I tell you? After what you and Richard did to me when you came back home? I kept your secret for all those years, and you repaid me by burying me alive out in the woods.* (88)

In that quotation, it shows that he is merciless man, who kills his family. He kills his grandparents, his mother and many women with uncharitable. However they are his family, he decides to kill them in order to gets their opulence. By killing his grandparents, he will be the only one heir of Boyle’s family because Daniel is the only son.

3.1.7. Low stress tolerance

The seventh Boyle’s characterization is low stress tolerance. Daniel Boyle is fidgety if he get caught by the polices. When the polices
come to his home, he intends to abscond. Boyle apprehensive and afraid if he got caught by the police and get a punishment.

He could sneak through the back door and head into the woods. He had the keys for the shed. The Gator was in there. Head out on one of the trails to the main road, then find a car and hotwire it – no, the Gator would be too noisy. He’d have to follow one of the trails on foot. Boyle looked around the dark woods, wondering how many SWAT officers were hiding out there. (216)

The quotation above shows that Daniel Boyle have an afraid feeling and apprehensive to get caught by the polices. He also disputes with his mother who unfortunating his deed. While, actually his mother’s voice is his conscience self.

*It’s over, Danny. You can’t escape.*

‘No.’

*They’re going to lock you up on death row, in a place darker than the cellar.*

‘Shut up.’

*They’ll probably extradite you to a place where they have the death penalty. They’ll strap you down to a table and give you the needle and the last voice you’ll ever hear before you suffocate to death will be mine, Danny. You’re going to die alone, just like I did.*
He wouldn’t let them take him in. He wasn’t going to die alone in some goddamn cage. He had to get to his car or the surveillance van. He knew a spot where he could dump it, run and then hide out for awhile until he could figure out a plan to disappear again. (216)

From the conversation above, the dispute between Boyle and his mother’s voice (which actually his conscience), shows that Daniel Boyle had a low stress tolerance feeling when the police come to his home. He looks angry when his mother’s voice seem as not support him. He also afraid if the police caught him and he does not want to be killed like he had done to many people.

3.1.8. Loner, moody and stolid

The eighth Boyle’s characterization is loner, moody and stolid. Since he was young, Daniel Boyle is known by his neighbors as a loner and individual person. He does not want to socialize with another. He stays alone and moody. He is also stolid. But, in his all characterization, he has a psychopathic character. In his tender age, he had shown his cruel characterization, that is choking and killing a cat and also his young neighbor.

Interviews with former neighbors, many of whom were still living in the area, described Daniel as the classic loner – moody and withdrawn. They had a difficult time understanding the close
relationship between Daniel and his good-looking, charismatic older cousin, Richard. (253)

The quotation shows that Daniel Boyle has a loner, moody and stolid characterization. He also has a relationship with Richard, who is his cousin. His cousin also has a psychopathy characterization which always helps and works together with Boyle.

3.1.9. Have many trick

The ninth Boyle’s characterization is Have many trick, especially in arranging strategies and methods. He is discipline and careful. He is also an organized person.

‘He seems very organized, very careful and methodical. I think he watches these women for a long time, gets to know their habits and routines – I think he had a key to Carol’s house. He brings his victims to a private place where nobody can see or hear them.’ (125)

The quotation shows that Daniel Boyle is very organized, very careful and methodical person in arranging the strategies. He brings his victims to a private place where nobody can see or hear them, then tortures and kills them there. It means that he has many trick to trap many women to be his victims.

3.2. The factors that influence Daniel Boyle to become a psychopath

There are some factors or some reasons that influence Daniel Boyle to become a psychopath and kills many women, they are:
3.2.1. The punishment he got from his mother

The second reason that influences Daniel Boyle to become a psychopath is when he gets the punishment from his mother. In his young age, he got a punishment cage in a dark and cold room by his mother because he was suspected to kill his neighbor, Alicia. His mother, Cassandra, penned him to a room which was dark and cold that never went away and she never visit him also. Because of that, Daniel perpetrates his victims with the same way with his mother, that is to pen them in a dark and cold room.

During his two-week confinement, he used the same slop bucket Alicia had used for her bathroom needs. He slept on the cold concrete floor. His mother didn’t visit him. She didn’t bring him food. Trapped alone in the cool dark that never went away, Boyle never cried or called out for his mother. He used the time constructively, thinking about what he would do next. (80)

The quotation shows that Daniel Boyle had a punishment from his mother, that is penned in a dark and cold room. His mother never visited him to that room and never gave him some food. But, that’s all does not make his remorse and cry. It made Daniel get an idea. He did the same way to his victims with what his mother did when she punished him, that is to take his victims to dark and cold prison then he can hunt and then kill them with pleasure.
3.2.2. Invited and supported by his cousin

The third reason that influence Daniel Boyle to become a psychopath is being invited and supported by his cousin. Richard is a cousin of Daniel Boyle. He also have a psychopathy characterization. He always supports and justifies Boyle’s alibi. Daniel and Richard are working together.

Boyle thought about his cousin, Richard Fowler. Richard was Marsha’s friend. He had been inside her house several times, had stolen her money and lacy underwear – Richard was the one who had put the sleeping pills in Marsha’s beer. When she passed out, Richard called Boyle and said to come over. The two of them spent a wonderful night playing with Marsha inside her bedroom. Her parents were away for the weekend. After that weekend, Boyle would often wake up in the middle of the night, remembering what he had done to Marsha. (81)

Police thought it might be an inside job and went to question Daniel Boyle. Boyle wasn’t home that weekend. He was in Virginia visiting his cousin, who was now working in the FBI’s newly formed Behavioral Science Unit. Evan Manning had corroborated Boyle’s alibi. (254)

In these quotation shows that Daniel Boyle and Richard have a relationship, that is a cousin. Richard has psychopathy also. He always
helps Boyle to fulfill his psychopathy. He also corroborated and supported Daniel Boyle’s alibi. So that, they are working together within gratified their psychopathy.

3.2.3. Genetics

The third reasons that influence Daniel Boyle to become psychopath is because of genetic factor. Boyle has a depraved father. His father is his grandfather also. His grandfather make impregnated his mother, Cassandra. His other family, Richard, his cousin also have a psychopathy.

‘What I wanted, Mother, was for you to protect me. Daddy climbed into my bed, he put his hands between my –’

‘And you keep forgetting that Daddy was the one who got me pregnant,’ his mother said. ‘That... thing downstairs is your son, not mine.’ (82)

The quotation shows that Cassandra is made pregnant by his father. His father made her pregnant. So that, her father or can be called Daniel’s grandfather have a depraved characteristic, that is impregnated his child own. His other family is Richard, who also has a psychopath characteristic. He also invites and works together with Boyle.

During the ten hours she had slept, reporters had uncovered the connection between Daniel Boyle and Special Agent Evan Manning. Evan Manning’s real name was Richard Fowler. In 1953,
Janice Fowler, suffering from what would nowadays be called a severe case of postpartum depression, hanged herself while in the care of a state-run psychiatric facility. Hospital records indicated she had been committed shortly after her husband, Trenton Fowler, caught her trying to drown their only son in the bathtub. Janice told her husband she had woken up from her afternoon nap and found Richard standing next to her bed, holding a large kitchen knife. Richard Fowler was five years old. (252)

According to the quotation above, seems that Daniel and Richard are family. Richard has a psychopathy also. Richard’s mother, Janice Fowler, is in the care of a state-run psychiatric facility also because she tries to drown her son in the bathtub. Then, she gets depression and hangs herself.

3.2.4. Change the fate of many persons

The first reason that influences Daniel Boyle to become a psychopath is that he can change the fate of many persons. He is happy and enjoys when he hunts the women, he catches then to be tortured and then killed. From his act, he assumes that he can change and make the destiny of the person especially the woman.

Boyle felt a tremendous sense of power – not the power to kill, no, that was too easy. What he held in his hands was the power to alter and shape destinies. He could change the shape of the world
around him any way he wanted. Gripped in his hands was the
power of God. (79)

From the quotation above, it shows that Boyle has a belief to
himself that he can change and make the destiny of human in his hands
after his fancy. From his psychopathy, that kills many women, he can
change the death destiny of many women and change the world.

Considering to Freud’s concept about id, ego and superego,
everything that Daniel Boyle does to get a satisfaction within himself,
without caring another person. Revering to Guerin, id is the source of all
our aggression and desire. Id has function to gratify our instinct for
pleasure without regard for social convention (130). The Id of Daniel
Boyle’s psychopathy is when he imagines the women. When he sees at his
victim’s picture, he imagines what will he does with his victims in his
downstairs ground which have a dark, cold and hard room. He also happy
and enjoy when he imagining the process of his torture to his victims. So
that, he wants to hunt many women to be his victim and he can tortures
them in order to satisfy his desires. It means that he likes to see the other
people especially the women are suffer and get torturing.

Ego works based on reality principle when a person is able to
satisfy his need with the risk of being punishment by the society. In this
case, the Ego can be seen when Daniel Boyle decided to not kill Carol, but
kill Rachel only. With kills Rachel, he thinks if the police cannot looking
for information from her. So that, Daniel decides to kill Rachel and do not kill Carol. Not only kills Rachel, but also Daniel kills many women else. He kills many women to get a satisfied of his desires. While *The Superego* can be seen when Daniel Boyle discuss with his mother, who is his conscience. She asks to him to do not kill Carol, who will be his new victim. She asks to kill Rachel only, who is his victim since five years ago. Because of Rachel had been free and run away from the jail downstairs ground of Daniel Boyle. Daniel thinks if Rachel still life and aware from her deep traumatic, Rachel will tells to public about Daniel. Daniel thinks if Rachel’s existence will endanger for him. Because of that, he did not kill Carol and that is the only *Superego* of Daniel Boyle.

3.3. Woman’s Characteristics of Daniel Boyle’s victims

Actually, there are no special type of woman who became victim of Daniel Boyle. He wants to kill and hunt many women from a various country, from young and old. He selects his victims randomly to get no connection so that the police cannot find him.

He didn’t like bringing them home, but he had to take women of all ages, colors and sizes so the police wouldn’t make a connection. It was important to randomly select his victims. Boyle had studied police work. There weremany books on such things, and there was the internet. Information was everywhere.
The quotation shows that there is no specific type of woman who became Boyle’s victims because he selects them randomly. But, the writer want to shows the variety of woman who became Boyle’s victims, they are:

3.3.1. Woman who reminds him to his mother

The first characteristic is woman who reminds him to his mother. Daniel hunts and kills a woman who reminds him to his mother and penned them to a prison which is made by him. He remembers when his mother pens him to a dark, cold and hard room. His mother who is also his sister eventually had been killed by him.

_I kept your secret for all those years, and you repaid me by burying me alive out in the woods. I told you then you’d never get rid of me, and I was right. You kill all these women who remind you of me and I’m still with you – I’ll always be with you, Daniel. Maybe I’ll just let the police come and take you away._ (88)

The quotation above is a conversation between Daniel and his mother, who actually his conscience. It shows that Daniel kills all women who reminds him to his mother. His mother keeps his life, does not kill him, but he killed his mother. It is because his mother ever penned him to a dark, cold and hard room. Then, he kills the woman who reminds him to his mother’s act.
Daniel Boyle also kills the woman who has the same characterization with his mother. Daniel’s mother is a resourceful woman. It is because his mother has a forceful and struggling characterization and he loves that because when he tortures her, his victim will buck.

Boyle still couldn’t figure out how Rachel had escaped. The two pairs of handcuffs were good and tight, the ball gag still wedged securely in her mouth, when he left to get Carol. And Rachel was sick. She wasn’t going anywhere. When he came back, the van’s back doors were open. The ball gag and handcuffs were lying on the floor. Nobody had ever escaped before. Boyle tightened his grip on the rosary beads. Once again, he had underestimated Rachel, forgot what a resourceful cunt she could be – which was, ironically, one of the things he absolutely loved about her. Rachel reminded him so much of his mother. (63)

From the quotation above, it shows that one of Boyle’s victims, named Rachel, have a resourceful characterization, and she struggles. It can be seen when Rachel is success to run away and free herself from the handcuffs and the ball gag.

3.3.2. A young woman

The second characteristics is woman who is still young. Young woman has a strong and struggling trait because they are still powerful and
energetic within them self. Daniel Boyle is more interested to girl because they have a power to buck when they get a torturing.

The ICU doors opened and out stepped a stunning woman with shoulder-length black hair and dark brown eyes. She was young, with a perfect face and flawless skin. She was dressed in snug but stylish jeans, hip black high-heel shoes and a midriff shirt that showed a teasing hint of her soft, flat belly. Boyle guessed she was somewhere in her early to mid-twenties. The young woman stepped into the waiting room and picked up a box of tissues. The box was empty. She threw it in the trash. All the grieving men in the waiting room were watching her. The woman was aware she was being admired. Instead of sitting down, she buttoned up her coat, turned around and gave them her back. (64)

The quotation shows that Boyle is interested to that girl who have a shoulder-length black hair and dark brown eyes. That young woman is also beautiful and stylish. She also has the right weight.

Boyle thought about the empty cell in his basement and wondered if this woman would be missed if she disappeared. He hadn’t captured one so beautiful before. She had just the right amount of weight on her. The heavier ones lasted longer in the basement. The skinny ones never lasted, unless they were very young, like Carol. (66)
As he waited for the elevator, he thought about Jennifer Montgomery. She was young. That was important. The younger ones could go the distance. The women in their late forties to early fifties didn’t last as long. (67)

In that quotation shows that young woman who has a strong power and energy who has a heavier of weight will last longer and not quickly to died. The late forties to early fifties will not last as long the young woman.

3.3.3. Has beautiful appearance and fighter woman

The third characteristics is woman who has beautiful appearance. Although he kills and hunts many women in random, for Daniel, woman who has beautiful appearance and a fighter are making him interested.

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From the quotation above, it shows that Daniel is interested to woman who has the interesting appearance and beauty. While these
sentence tells if that woman has perfect face and flawless skin with shoulder-length black hair and dark brown eyes. She is stylish also. And Daniel likes her. So that, he is interested to woman who has the interesting appearance and beauty. Daniel is also interested to a fighter woman who can defends herself.

Boyle thought about the crime scene investigator, the redhead. He had never abducted someone from law enforcement before. That one was definitely a fighter. Like Rachel. (67)

The quotation shows that Boyle likes and is interested to a fighter woman who can help and defend herself. It is because a fighter woman can help, save and defend herself and try to fight when he tortures her. Although, Daniel enjoys every pains and sufferings of woman before he kills them.

3.3.4. Women who witnesses Daniel Boyle killed the other woman

The fourth characteristics is woman who knows Daniel Boyle killed the other woman. The woman who knows Daniel killed the other woman will be hunted and killed by him. It is because he does not want his plans and actions are knowing by another person and of course he will be proved too guilty and then got punishment. He does not want it happened.

He punched in the letters and flipped through pictures of a heavy-set blond woman named Samantha Kent. Boyle remembered how she had refused to eat. How she got weak and then sick.
had brought her out to the Belham woods to strangle her and was interrupted by Darby McCormick and her two friends – Melanie Cruz and the blond girl he later stabbed inside the foyer. What a mess that was. He was trying to remember the blonde’s name when the voice mail picked up. (77)

In the quotation above shows that Daniel Boyle will kills the woman who sees and knows him killed the other woman. When Darby McCormick and her two other friends seeing Daniel Boyle kills the woman named Samantha Kent. Daniel hunts them and tries to kill them, but the only one safe is Darby, one other found died and the other is lose, but no long time she found was died. So that, Daniel Boyle wants to hunt and kill the women who witnesses him to do his action (torture the women), especially Darby McCormick.