CHAPTER 4

CONCLUSION

In this chapter, the researcher takes the conclusion of the study which analyze *Angela’s Ashes* novel by Frank McCourt which focus on the main character. This study discusses the inferiority feeling and the way of character gaining the superiority by striving for superiority through character’s fictional finalism. *Angela’s Ashes* is the novel which reveals the poverty, discrimination of the society and the power of religion leader which makes Frank feel inferior of those situations, and then he compensates his feeling by striving for superiority.

Here Frank’s inferior feeling influenced of many aspects. The first is inferior physic of his physical appearance and his illness. His inferior physic is the lack of body, and physically different with other people in his society. His mother family dislike him and differentiates him with his siblings because of odd manner and the physic innate like his father is bad enough for them. And the illness which caused him got bullying of his society by calling him, one of them is calling him scabby–eyed when he got some infection of his eyes. Second is inferior of mental which caused him unconfident with his unlucky and poor family who is also being ignored by his social life. There are some aspects that make him feel inferior of mentally. The first is social life. In this situation, Frank gets bad view and rejection of society because of his poor condition. And also some bullied and isolated cause of his difference with other in the society. Next is from adult. Feel to have unlimited ability which children do not own make Frank feel inferior of
anything that he cannot do and know. Then neglect which Frank gets of family and some religion leader raises his worthlessness. Those are how the inferior feeling of Frank shows in his life through the story on the novel. He compensates his inferior feeling in the normal state which makes him strives for the superiority and success not only for the perfection of himself but also for all humankind.

Striving for superiority and success is the way of people getting perfection and closed to his purpose. Here, Frank strives for his superiority through fictional finalism that he has for motivation to gets his superior. His inferior was makes him be better than before which shapes the dream. The dream or fictional finalism he has are about better life for himself, family and other people. He strive for better life of his family because of they are people that he loved and also support him, such as his love for the brothers and mother, also the support of his aunt who give a good clothes for his first job. And the ones of other people that he hopes to get better life are people who meet him in bad condition when he becomes a telegram boy. America is the country which also becomes one of the reasons that he has to strive for getting the superiority, a place of his early childhood and he hopes to come back over there. His striving for superiority is getting and saving money of some work that ever he did. Early his job was helping his uncle delivering papers and reading some books for a poor man who cannot read anymore, also help his neighbor to deliver a coal for some pence or a shilling. His wages from those helping are used to help his mother to fulfill the necessity beside government’s allowance. His first job as a man when he was fourteen is delivering telegrams on Limerick, his wages was saving to the post
office account for expenses when he go to America. Beside his wages as telegram boy, he also get sixpence of write some threatening letters for Mrs. Finucane’s customer who debt to her. Then he got job in the Irish Times, he distribute the newspaper and still work on that place until the day he decided to return to America. His strives were not always in a good way, but he also did a bad thing, such as when he stole the money of dead people. From all of way he strives for the superiority, he gets the result from his effort. He gets better life for himself and all humankind also reach his dream to go back to America, where the place as the land of opportunity for him.

All in all, in this study can be concluded that the condition of Frank’s society and his lacking physic was caused him in the inferior feeling. His Inferior feeling is not complex, with the result he compensates his superiority in the normal way. In striving for superiority he shaped fictional finalism to makes him close to his purpose, and struggle by way doing some works and saving. He strives not only for his personal superiority but also for the success of all humankind. He did strive in much way until he gets the superiority or perfection that he dreamt of.