CHAPTER V
CONCLUSION AND SUGGESTION

This chapter discusses the conclusions that were drawn from the findings and discussion in the previous chapter. This chapter also gives some suggestions with regard to the future research studies in the same fields.

5.1 Conclusion

After analyzing and discussing the positive politeness strategies used by Sophie and Alberto Knox in “Sophie’s World” film, the researcher can draw some conclusions.

1. There are 47 cases positive politeness strategies used by Sophie and Alberto Knox as suggested by Brown and Levinson applied in this film. Positive politeness strategies which is used by Sophie are Notice attend to hearer, Exaggerate, Intensify interest to hearer, Seek Agreement, Avoid Disagreement, Presuppose/rise/assert common ground, Be Optimistic, Include both speaker and hearer in the activity, Give (or ask for) reason, Assume or assert reciprocity, Give gifts to hearer. While, positive politeness strategies which is used by Alberto are Exaggerate, Intensify interest to hearer, Seek Agreement, Presuppose/rise/assert common ground, Offer/promise, Be optimistic, Include both speaker and hearer in the activity. Moreover, these strategies were used by Sophie and Alberto Knox when having conversation with other characters with different
proportion. In using positive politeness strategies, Sophie mostly used strategy 5, namely Seek Agreement (38%) and strategy 3, namely Intensify Interest to the Hearer (12%). Also, Alberto Knox mostly used strategy 12, namely Include both Speaker and Hearer in the Activity (43%) and strategy 3&5, namely Seek Agreement & Intensify Interest to the Hearer (14%).

2. Sophie used positive politeness strategies were influenced by some factors such as pay off and relevant circumstances. She tried to minimize the FTA and social distance between them. It is because positive politeness strategy not only used as a FTA redress but also as the social accelerator which indicates speaker wants to get closer to the hearer. Sophie used positive politeness strategy because she respect, cares, and loves with her hearer. So, by using this strategy she can bring their relationship get closer and shows that she respects them very much because she is still young and must be polite. Meanwhile, Alberto Knox also used positive politeness strategies when having conversation with other characters. It is because of two reasons. First, he wants to minimize the distance between other characters and him. Second, Alberto is Sophie’s teacher indirectly and a new person in Sophie’s society so before he knows who exactly them and after he already knows them well, he just try to be nice and being polite. So that, they can receive him well and he can build good relationship with them. This matter was influenced most by some factors such as pay off and relevant circumstances.
So, it can be concluded that positive politeness strategies and the factors that influence the choice of strategies have a correlation whether when we speak to new people or have a close relation with them. We will always try to be polite in all situations. It can be occurred in all kinds of social distances, for example based on this research, it found in friendship, job as teacher, and for the first meeting. They all applied positive politeness strategies depend on the situations and the needs of communication.

5.2 Suggestion

Based on the analysis and conclusion of the research, the researcher would like to give some suggestions for those who want to do some further researches under the politeness matter.

1. The researcher hopes to the next researcher to conduct research on positive politeness strategies in the other form of literary works such as short story, drama or with other issues in the purpose of enriching the pragmatic studies. The next researcher also can analyze at the same point of view about positive politeness strategies but by combining with some other theories such as Lakoff’s, Leech’s, and Scolon’s theory. It will be more interesting and challenging.

2. The researcher also hopes that through this research it will be able to help the next researcher who conducts the research in the same field as the reference or comparison that might be relevant to the researched subject. However, the most important one is this research can help them to
understand more about the idea of positive politeness strategies so it make them easier to build good relationship with others and to communicate run well in harmony so people will respect to them more.