Implementing Character Education Values in Lampung Regional Songs for Critical Reading Learning Materials in Junior High School: Critical Discourse Analysis

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Abstract

: This study focuses on implementing character education values through the lyrics of regional songs from Lampung as learning material for critical reading in middle schools. Four regional songs from Lampung were selected for analysis, focusing on values such as caution, consistency, courage, and integrity. The method used in this research is critical discourse analysis, identifying how character values are contained in the lyrics and how they can be integrated into the critical reading curriculum in middle schools. The results of this study indicate that the lyrics of Lampung's regional songs contain various character values relevant to character education in schools. In addition, this study also shows the potential for integrating regional songs as innovative teaching material to develop students' critical reading skills. This research can serve as a reference for policy-making in character education and developing critical reading teaching material.

Keywords: Character Education, Lampung Regional Songs, Critical Reading, Critical Discourse Analysis, Middle Schools.

Abstrak

Penelitian ini berfokus pada implementasi nilai pendidikan karakter melalui lirik lagu daerah Lampung sebagai materi pembelajaran membaca kritis di Sekolah Menengah Pertama (SMP). Empat lagu daerah Lampung dipilih sebagai bahan analisis, dengan fokus pada nilai-nilai seperti kehatihatian, konsistensi, keberanian, dan integritas. Metode yang digunakan dalam penelitian ini adalah analisis wacana kritis, mengidentifikasi bagaimana nilai-nilai karakter terkandung dalam lirik dan bagaimana

mereka dapat diintegrasikan ke dalam kurikulum membaca kritis di SMP. Hasil penelitian ini menunjukkan bahwa lirik lagu daerah Lampung mengandung beragam nilai karakter yang relevan dengan pendidikan karakter di sekolah. Selain itu, penelitian ini juga menunjukkan potensi integrasi lagu daerah sebagai bahan ajar inovatif untuk mengembangkan kemampuan membaca kritis siswa. Diharapkan, penelitian ini dapat menjadi referensi bagi pengambilan kebijakan dalam pendidikan karakter dan pengembangan materi ajar membaca kritis.

Kata kunci: Pendidikan Karakter, Lagu Daerah Lampung, Membaca Kritis, Analisis Wacana Kritis, Sekolah Menengah Pertama.

INTRODUCTION

Language plays a significant role in communication and interaction among individuals or groups within society (Chaer, 2006, p. 2). Critical Discourse Analysis, which combines text and context (Darma, 2014, p. 6; Mulyana, 2005, p. 10), offers an analytical framework to understand how language influences and is influenced by social and cultural phenomena. In the context of this research, critical discourse analysis is applied to interpret the character education values present in the lyrics of Lampung regional songs.

The lyrics of Lampung regional songs represent a rich portrayal of the life and culture of the Lampung community, and they can be used as teaching materials for critical reading at the junior high school level (Satrio, 2011). This implementation is highly relevant, especially when students' characters are in a crucial stage of development, in line with Regulation Permendikbud Number 20 of 2018 on character education. In addition to serving as practical and creative teaching materials (see Permendikbud Number 20 of 2018), Lampung regional song lyrics also provide opportunities for students to practice critical reading and writing responses while shaping their characters through the values present in the lyrics.

The study of Lampung song lyrics in this research is understood to be beneficial as supporting teaching material in critical reading learning for the introductory competency 4.8 response text. In this case, students who sing the song can and will engage in a thinking process, which is critical reading. In doing so, students will strive to write responses or praises for the text in the form of Lampung song lyrics provided. Lampung song lyrics are seen as instructional materials that enhance the learning process's effectiveness, creativity, and enjoyment. Critiquing Lampung's song lyrics aims to serve as an alternative pathway to character development.

METHOD

This research is a qualitative study that focuses on critical discourse analysis. The primary data source in this research consists of lyrics from four Lampung regional songs selected based on their relevance to character education values (Moleong, 2011, p. 3). The data collection techniques involve documenting the song lyrics and observing their usage. This research uses the data analysis of Teun A. van Dijk's Critical Discourse Analysis theory. The focus is on how character education values are embedded in the song lyrics and how these values can be integrated into the character education curriculum in junior high schools (SMP). Triangulation is used to validate the data, involving multiple sources of information and analysis methods to ensure accuracy. The research design used in this study is descriptive. This research is conducted to systematically, factually, and accurately describe or explain findings about character values in song lyrics and their utilization for critical reading learning: critical discourse analysis (Sanjaya, 2014, p. 59). The stages include preliminary research, instrument development for data collection, survey, data analysis and synthesis, and reporting.

The research methodology adopts Teun A. van Dijk's theory, which employs a social cognition approach in discourse analysis (Eriyanto, 2006, p. 224); this aids in identifying and interpreting character values such as religiosity, honesty, tolerance, and others that align with regulations from the Ministry of Education and Culture (Kemendiknas) (Abidin, 2012, p. 66) conveyed through Lampung regional song lyrics.

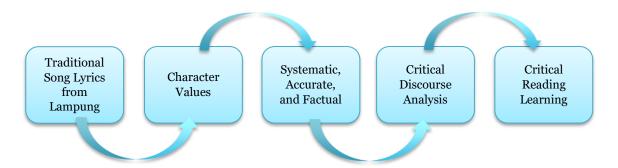


Figure 1. Research Flow

RESULT AND DISCUSSION

There are several other relevant studies to this research. Among them is the study conducted by Muhammad Ali Mahfud (2016) titled "Character Values in the Discourse of Scout Songs" in the Program of Indonesian Language and Literature Education at the University of Jember. This research was motivated by the need

for more character among students. The study employed a qualitative research design, focusing on character education values in Scout song lyrics. The findings of the research revealed that Scout songs contain character values such as (1) religiosity, (2) honesty, (3) discipline, (4) creativity, (5) independence, (6) curiosity, (7) love for reading, (8) responsibility, (9) hard work, (10) appreciation of achievement, (11) tolerance, (12) democracy, (13) friendliness/communicativeness, (14) peace-loving, (15) social concern, (16) environmental awareness, (17) national spirit, and (18) love for the homeland. The research findings were claimed to be highly beneficial for the development of children's education.

The fundamental difference between this research and previous studies lies in the object of study and the utilization of the study's findings. The object of study in this research is the lyrics of Lampung regional songs. The study findings are an alternative support material for critical reading learning.

Critical Discourse Analysis

Critical Discourse Analysis (CDA) is an analysis of language in its use, employing a critical language paradigm. In CDA, discourse is understood as the study of language and used within texts for analysis. However, the objective is not to obtain a linguistic description but to connect it with its context. CDA provides a theory and method that can be used to empirically study the relationships between discourse and social and cultural developments in different social domains; this implies that language is used for specific social purposes and practices.

Critical Discourse Analysis views discourse as the language used by language users in speaking and writing as forms of social practices (Darma, 2014, p. 100). Describing discourse as social practice results in a dialectical relationship (thought based on existing facts) between specific discursive events and the situations, institutions, and social structures that shape them. On the other hand, critical discourse analysis is a social constructivist approach that believes the representation of the world is linguistic-discursive, meaning it is historical. Knowledge is created through social interactions (Darma, 2014, p. 102); this makes critical discourse analysis interdisciplinary and its intersection with social, political, and cultural studies inevitable. Based on the understanding above, critical discourse analysis is a social constructivist approach used in language use.

The term "critical" in critical discourse analysis not only denotes something negative but also signifies an attitude of not generalizing issues due to their complexity; it opposes oversimplification, narrowing down, dogmatism, and dichotomy. The term "critical" also implies self-reflection through a process and makes the structure of power relations and initially murky, vague, and unclear ideologies become clear. To understand discourse (text), one must find a way to

detach it from its context. To uncover the "reality" behind the text, we need to trace the context of text production, consumption, and the socio-cultural aspects influencing text creation (Darma, 2014, p. 107). Furthermore, due to the importance of context in CDA, discourse must be understood and interpreted within its underlying social environment.

1. Historical

Placing discourse in a specific social context means that discourse is produced within that context and cannot be understood without including the accompanying context. One essential aspect of understanding a text is placing the discourse in a specific historical context.

2. Power

Discourse, whether in text, speech, or any other form, is not considered natural, normal, or neutral but rather a power struggle. The concept of power is a critical link between discourse and society. The relationship between power and discourse is crucial to understanding what is called control. Control here can take the form of physical or psychological control.

3. Ideology

Dominant groups construct ideology to reproduce and legitimize their dominance by creating awareness among the audience that their domination is accepted as taken for granted. In this context, discourse is seen as a medium through which dominant groups persuade (persuasion) and communicate to the audience the production of power and domination they possess, making it appear legitimate and trustworthy.

Based on the characteristics of Critical Discourse Analysis (CDA), which includes historical power and ideology, this research focuses on the ideology in Lampung song lyrics. The ideology referred to in this study is the character values found in Lampung songs.

Critical Discourse Analysis by Teun A. Van Dijk

Teun Adrianus van Dijk was born on May 7, 1943, in Naaldwijk, the Netherlands. He is a scholar in textual linguistics, discourse analysis, and critical discourse analysis. Among the various Critical Discourse Analysis (CDA) models introduced and developed by several experts, van Dijk's model is the most widely used. This van Dijk model is often referred to as "social cognition." According to van Dijk, discourse research should not be solely based on textual analysis because it stems from a production practice that should also be observed. The production process and this approach are highly characteristic of van Dijk, involving a process known as social cognition. Teun A. van Dijk's discourse is said to have three dimensions.

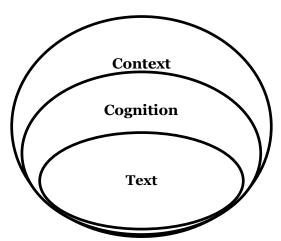


Figure 2. Teun A. van Dijk's Critical Discourse Analysis Model

1. Text

The first dimension is the text. The text under investigation is how the text's structure and discourse strategies are used to convey a specific theme. Texts can be obtained by analyzing discourse. To discover a theme within a text, it is done by reading and observing. According to Dijk, the text is divided into three levels.

a. Macrostructure

The macrostructure is a text's global or overall meaning that can be observed by looking at the topic or theme raised by a text. The topic describes what is to be expressed. The topic represents the central concept of a text.

b. Superstructure

The superstructure is the discourse structure related to the framework of a text, such as the introduction, content, conclusion, and summary. This structure will indicate the parts of the text that are arranged and organized to form a unified meaning.

c. Microstructure

Microstructure is observable discourse, including words, sentences, propositions, clauses, paraphrases, and images. (see Eriyanto, 2001:227)

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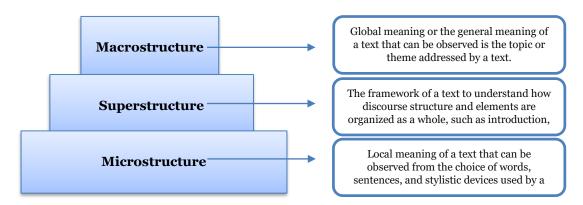


Figure 3. Text Levels

2. Social Cognition

The second dimension is social cognition. At the level of social cognition, we study how text production involves individual cognition. Van Dijk states that this stage is the most crucial, where individuals present discourse based on their background. It is this stage that sets van Dijk's model of critical discourse analysis apart from others.

3. Social Context

The third dimension is the social context. At the context level, we study the discourse structures that develop within society regarding a particular issue. Studying discourse is not only about looking at personal opinions but also examining the opinions of society or the surrounding environment.

Character Values

Character comes from the Greek word "Kasairo," which means 'blueprint' or 'basic format.' Based on its etymology, the character is considered a set of conditions possessed by an individual. These conditions are usually innate or formed. It is the formative conditions that underlie the belief that character can be developed, one of which is through education.

According to the Indonesian Language Dictionary (Depdiknas, 2008a), a character refers to the mental traits, morals, or ethics that distinguish one person from another. Thus, character consists of unique, virtuous values embedded in one's inner being and behaviour. Character coherently emanates from a person's thoughts, heart, feelings, and will, as well as the actions and sportsmanship of an individual or a group of people.

Table 1. Values and Descriptions of National Character and Cultural Education Values

		values
No.	Mark	Description
1.	Religious	Attitude and behavior of obedience in
		practicing their own religious teachings,
		tolerance towards the practice of other
		religions, and living harmoniously with
		followers of other religions.
2.	Honest	Behavior based on an effort to make
		oneself someone who can always be
		trusted in words, actions, and tasks.
3.	Tolerance	Attitudes and actions that respect
		religious, ethnic, and opinion differences,
		as well as the attitudes and actions of
		others who are different from oneself.
4.	Discipline	Actions that demonstrate orderly behavior
		and compliance with various rules and
		regulations.
5.	Hard Work	Behavior that demonstrates a sincere
		effort in overcoming various learning
		obstacles and tasks, allowing one to
		complete tasks to the best of their ability.
6.	Creative	Thinking and doing something to produce
		new results from something that is
		already possessed.
7.	Independent	Attitude and behavior that are not easily
		dependent on others in completing tasks.
8.	Democratic	A way of thinking, behaving, and acting
		that assesses one's rights and
		responsibilities as well as those of others.
9.	Curiosity	Attitude and actions that constantly strive
		to gain a deeper and broader
		understanding of something learned,
ī-		seen, and heard.
10.	Spirirt of Nationality	A way of thinking, acting, and having a
		perspective that prioritizes the interests of
		the nation and the state over personal and
		group interests.
11.	Love for the Homeland	A way of thinking, behaving, and acting
		that demonstrates loyalty, care, and
		mutual respect towards the nation, the
		physical, social, cultural, economic, and
		political environment of the nation.

No.	Mark	Description
12.	Rewarding Achievement	Attitude and actions that drive oneself to
		produce something beneficial for society
		while respecting the successes of others.
13.	Friendly/Communicative	Actions that demonstrate a willingness to
		engage in conversation, socialize, and
		collaborate with others.
14.	Love Peace	Attitude, words, and actions that make
		others feel happy and secure in one's
		presence.
15.	Love for Reading	The habit of setting aside time to read
		various materials that bring benefits to
		oneself.
16.	Environmental Care	Attitude and actions that consistently
		strive to prevent damage to the natural
		environment and develop efforts to repair
		environmental damage when it occurs.
17.	Social Care	Attitude and actions that always seek to
		provide assistance to others and the
		community in need.
18.	Responsibility	The attitude and behavior of an individual
		to fulfill their responsibilities, which they
		should do, towards themselves, society,
		the environment (natural, social, and
		cultural), the nation, and the Almighty
		God.

Character reflects how an individual behaves—for example, behaving helpfully, responsibly, and honestly. Someone can be considered a "person of character" if their behaviour aligns with moral principles. Therefore, good character education involves good knowledge, good feelings, and good behaviour (Kemendiknas, Abidin, 2014:34). Thus, the character will function well when all three elements, namely knowledge, feelings, and behaviour, are interconnected. Kemendiknas outlines 18 character values that children should develop during their learning process. These eighteen character values can be cultivated through reading (Abidin, 2014, p. 66). \

Character education in schools is still necessary due to high moral issues. Regarding the moral decay in the younger generation, especially students, Fitriyani (2016) states that Indonesia is facing a moral crisis among the youth caused by technological advances, fading faith quality, environmental influences, the loss of honesty, responsibility, lack of long-term thinking, and low discipline. National news has reported misconduct cases, such as a student in a vocational

school in Manado who violently stabbed his teacher seven times in the abdomen out of frustration for being asked to leave school for smoking.

Alongside these issues, internet and television content also have positive and negative effects on character education for students. The influence is positive when students watch educational content. However, another reality is that children tend to enjoy adult-oriented content like soap operas, which can hurt them. Additionally, there are music shows on television that frequently play songs with romantic themes. Consequently, children who enjoy singing teenage or adult songs may mature prematurely (see Jamziah, 2013).

Based on the above descriptions, this research aims to select several Lampung song lyrics using a different approach, examining the text, social cognition, and social context within the Lampung song lyrics. Therefore, this research focuses on the character education values found in Lampung song lyrics and their utilization in critical reading instruction at junior high schools.

Results

In this section, the results of the research will be presented. The data consists of Lampung song lyrics obtained from the album "Lagu Lampung Arifin Tumbai" (Full Album Lagu Arifin M). These songs are composed by Arifin M and performed by Arifin M himself.

There are four song titles and lyrics that have been selected from several songs in the Full Album Lagu Lampung Arifin M. These four song titles include:

- 1. Besukukh
- 2. Lupa Dakhatan
- 3. Layang-Layang
- 4. Angin Tenggakha

These four song titles' original lyrics (in Lampung Pesisir, Saibatin) are presented below.

Table 2. Besukukh Song Lyrics

No.	Song Title & Lyrics (Lampung Saibatin- Pesisir)	Translation (English)
1	Title: Besukukh Vocal: Arifin Creation: Arifin Source files: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4Vg6A2Kitg4	Grateful
	Alhamdulillah Busukukh lawan Tuhan Sukukh kham panjang umukh	All praise is due to Allah Grateful to God

No.	Song Title & Lyrics (Lampung Saibatin- Pesisir)	Translation (English)
	Sekhta badan munyaian	Grateful for our
	Sukukh kham panjang umukh	long life
	Sekhta badan munyaian	Moreover, our
	Č	bodies are healthy
		and fit
	Kipak mak juga-juga	Although it doesn't
	Kĥam tungga kala-kala	happen often
	Kakalau badan sehat	We still sometimes
	Doa ni kham jejama	meet
		Hopefully, our
		bodies remain
		healthy
		That is our shared
		prayer
	Mahap indai puakhi	Please forgive me,
	Lain nyak nganggukhuwi2x	brothers, friends,
	Reff:	and family
	Ija indai puakhi	I'm not trying to
	Kham ngaji dalih muji	preach
	Hukhik dilom dunia	Chorus:
	Goh pedom ngahanipi 2x	Let's, brothers,
		friends, and family
		Recite the Quran
		while praising
		Living in this
		world
		Is like we're
		dreaming while
		asleep
	Ibakhat ni ki lapah	Like when we
	Dunia khang kham singgah	walk,
	Kiya khadu tihabu	This world is just a
	Ukhung mak haga laju	temporary stop for
		us
		When we've rested
		enough,
		We must continue
		the journey again
	Kapan do mokhi kapan	Someday, the time
	Kham sampai di tujuan	must come
	Sai tihalu di nana 2 x	And we shall
	Jak guai ni kham ganta	arrive at our
		destination
		What we find at
		that moment
		Will be the fruit of
		our current actions

No.	Song Title & Lyrics (Lampung Saibatin- Pesisir)	Translation (English)
	Ahamdulillah	Alhamdulillah
	Bangik sakik takhima	Whether in joy or
	Sangun mak mudah	sorrow, we must
	megung iman khik taqwa	accept
		Indeed, it's not
		easy
		To hold onto faith
		and piety
	Susah do susah	It's difficult,
	Nahan guda dunia	indeed it is
	Ki mak kenna ilungni	difficult
	Hukhik kham mak bukhetti	To resist the
	Didadayakon anggop	temptations of life
	Ki lungkung balak jakhi	in this world
		If our direction is
		not precise
		Our lives would be
		meaningless
		Deceived by mere
		desires
		Truly, our
		appetites are as
		narrow as a finger

The song "Besukukh" in the Lampung language contains various character values that can be explored, including:

- 1. Gratitude: In its lyrics, "Alhamdulillah, Bersyukur pada Tuhan, Syukur kita masih panjang umur, Lagi pula badan sehat wal afiat," the song teaches the value of gratitude, appreciating life given by God and the health we have. Thomas Lickona, in his book "Character Matters: How to Help Our Children Develop Good Judgment, Integrity, and Other Essential Virtues," emphasizes the importance of gratitude as a moral value. According to Lickona, gratitude is "a positive assessment and acknowledgement of benefits or advantages we receive from others" (Lickona, 2004).
- 2. Awareness of the Transitory Nature of the World: Lyrics like "Hidup di atas dunia itu, Seperti kita tidur bermimpi" and "Dunia ini tempat kita mampir sementara" provide a philosophical perspective on life and the world, teaching that life on this earth is temporary and that we should strive for higher values. In his book, "The Evolving Self," Robert Kegan discusses transitioning from a more concrete understanding of the world to a more abstract and philosophical one (Kegan, 1982).

- 3. The Importance of Doing Good Deeds: The lyrics "Kita pun sampailah di tujuan, Yang kita temukan di kala itu, Buah dari perbuatan kita sekarang" emphasize that our current actions will impact the outcomes we reap in the future; this teaches the values of responsibility and the consequences of our actions. In "The Righteous Mind: Why Good People are Divided by Politics and Religion," Jonathan Haidt talks about how morality and good deeds shape us and affect our lives outcomes (Haidt, 2012).
- 4. Patience and Resilience in Facing Life: Lyrics such as "Susah ya memang susah, Nahan godaan hidup di dunia" and "Senang atau sengkhana harus kita terima, Memang taklah mudah, Memegang iman dan taqwa" teach the values of patience, acceptance, and resilience in living life and maintaining faith. In the book "Grit: The Power of Passion and Perseverance," Angela Duckworth discusses the importance of grit and perseverance in facing challenges (Duckworth, 2016).
- 5. The Importance of Pausing for Reflection and Self-Evaluation: Lyrics like "Kalau kurang tepat arahannya, Hidup kita tak berarti sama sekali" indicate the importance of introspection and self-evaluation; this teaches the values of reflection and self-awareness. In "Mindset: The New Psychology of Success," Carol Dweck discusses the importance of introspection and a growth mindset in learning and personal development (Dweck, 2006).

In the context of learning, this song can be used as material for critical reading instruction in Junior High School (SMP). Through the song's lyrics, students can learn to understand, analyze, and seek more profound meaning, which in turn helps them understand the character values embedded within it.

Table 3. Lupa Dakhatan Song Lyrics

No.	Song Title & Lyrics (Lampung Saibatin- Pesisir)	Translation (English)
2.	Title: <i>Lupa Dakhatan</i>	Forgetting Everything
	Vocal: Arifin	
	Creation: Arifin	
	Source files:	
	https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4Vg6A2Kitg4	
'	Hati-hati pastitii	Be careful and
	Lohot ku lawan niku	meticulous
	Simponkon dilom hati	My message to you
	Nyin jadi pegunganmu	Keep it in your heart
		So it becomes your guide
	Mula awasi dikhi	So watch yourself closely
	Awas kantu bang khadu	Beware if it has
	Kidang mak munih jadi	happened
	Kipak pandai ki mak nunggu	But it doesn't necessarily
		make it so

No.	Song Title & Lyrics (Lampung Saibatin- Pesisir)	Translation (English)
		Even though you know
		there's no consistency
	Lain luah ni naloom	It's not considered as
	Ki ngeba nikham kakhom	being able
	Lain luah ni bani	If it causes us calamity
	Ki ngeba nikham mati	It's not considered as
		being brave
		If it causes us death
	Lain luah ni pintokh	It's not considered smart
	Ki nyanik nikham sogokh	If it makes us cornered
	Mula dangkung hatangga	So don't say it yet
	Ki lagi mingan tokokh	If it's still possible for it
		to be swapped
	Hinji lohotku diku	This is my message to
	Pegung pai cawa sina	you
	Kiiya ti pekekh pekekh	Hold on to that
	Api do acak khia	expression for now
	-	If you think about it
		Why indeed must it be so
		intense
	Hingga mak liyu dinyak	Just remember, there's
	Jaoh kon sifat sina	nothing surpassing me
	Dang nyani kham di hukhi	Keep away from such
	Selagi di dunia	attitude
	·	Don't let it hold us back
		Throughout our lives in
		this world
	Reff.	
	Sangun ne do ki guda	That's indeed the nature
	Bumacom khatongan na	of temptation
	Kiiya mawat jak sakik	It comes from various
	Khatong jak bangik siya	sources
	Taratorig fait ouright orga	Whether it's from
		something distressing
		Or it comes from
		something delightful
	Haga ngayun kham lupa	It wants to make us
	Hani sai pandai cawa	forget,
	Yamula hati-hati	As people who like to
	Kantu salah jak kita	preach say,
	,	Therefore, we must be
		cautious
		Not to make mistakes.
	Dang kham mak saanggopan	Let's not undervalue
	Sa-angonan sai pekekhan	each other,
	Nyin dang muakhi cadang	Guide each other, and
	Ki hukhik sai andanan	think about each other
		So that our brotherhood
		remains intact

No.	Song Title & Lyrics (Lampung Saibatin- Pesisir)	Translation (English)
		If in our lives we advise
		each other
	Ulih ki nekhak sakik	When suffering strikes,
	Disan khatong sesolan	That's when regret
	Kapan kak nungga bangik	arrives
	Gampang lupa dakhatan	When we encounter something pleasant,
		It's very easy to forget everything

This song, "Lupa Dakhatan" or "Lupa Segalanya," speaks about several essential character values.

- 1. Caution and Precision: The song teaches us to be cautious and precise in everything. Lyrics like "Hati-hati pastitii, Lohot ku lawan niku, Simponkon dilom hati, Nyin jadi pegunganmu" convey this message. Kahneman also explains this concept in his book "Thinking, Fast and Slow" (Kahneman, 2011), where he emphasizes the importance of precision and careful decision-making.
- 2. Consistency: The song also emphasizes the importance of consistency in our lives. The line "Awas kantu bang khadu, Kidang mak munih jadi, Kipak pandai ki mak nunggu" suggests that inconsistency in actions and words can have negative consequences. Duckworth also reinforces this concept in her book "Grit: The Power of Passion and Perseverance" (Duckworth, 2016), where she discusses the significance of consistency in achieving long-term success.
- 3. Avoiding Risky Behavior: The song advises avoiding actions that can lead to disaster or death. This can be seen in the line "Lain luah ni naloom, Ki ngeba nikham kakhom, Lain luah ni bani, Ki ngeba nikham mati." In "The Righteous Mind: Why Good People are Divided by Politics and Religion" (Haidt, 2012), this concept is further explained as avoiding harmful or potentially harmful behaviour.
- 4. Courage and Wisdom: The song reminds us that courage and wisdom are not about putting ourselves in corners or danger but about making good and wise decisions. Ryan Holiday also emphasizes this concept in his book "The Obstacle Is the Way" (Holiday, 2014), discussing courage and wisdom in facing obstacles.
- 5. Honesty and Integrity: The song calls for honesty and integrity, suggesting avoiding harmful behaviour and temptations that can damage our values and character. In his book "The Evolving Self: Problem and Process in Human Development" (Kegan, 1982), Kegan explains the importance of honesty and integrity in individual character development.

6. Appreciation and Solidarity: The song advocates mutual respect and consideration, creating an environment of love and appreciation. This concept is stressed by Schwartz in his book "Practical Wisdom: The Right Way to Do the Right Thing" (Schwartz & Sharpe, 2010), emphasizing the importance of appreciation and solidarity in society.

Each song has a unique way of conveying values, and "Lupa Dakhatan" is an excellent example of how values can be transmitted through song lyrics.

Table 4. Layang-Layang Song Lyrics

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No.	Song Title & Lyrics (Lampung Saibatin-Pesisir)	Translation (English)	
3.	Title: <i>Layang-Layang</i>	Kite	
	Vocal: Arifin		
	Creation: Arifin		
	Source files:		
	https://www.youtube.com/wat		
	ch?v=4Vg6A2Kitg4		
	Ingok-ingok dang lupa	Remember, remember! Don't forget	
	Kak badan khasa senang	When the body feels happy	
	Ajo jadi umpama	This becomes an example	
	Kisah ni layang-layang 2x	The story of kite flying	
	Layang-layang melayang	The kite is flying	
	Melayang diujung tali	Flying at the end of the string	
	Ditiup angin kencong	Buffeted by strong winds	
	Lelayang tambah negi 2x	The kite soars higher	
	Lelayang tambah negi	The kite soars higher	
	Lupa satu ketika	Forgetting, that there will come a	
	Ya bakhong putus tali	time	
	Lelayang kukhuk khimba 2x	When the kite's string breaks	
		And the kite will end up in the woods	
	Lelayang kukhuk khimba	The kite will end up in the woods	
	Moloh tukhun di bumi	Returning to the ground	
	Kik labung api daya	If it rains and it's helpless	
	Hancukh mak ukhung lagi 2x	Certainly it will be destroyed	
	Hancukh mak ukhung lagi	It will surely be destroyed	
	Lalayang kelabungan	If the kite is hit by rain	
	Melayang dija dudi	Drifting here and there	
	Si tinggal kah bitian 2x	What's left behind is just the	
		impression	
	Ingok-ingok ni lagi	Only the impression remains in	
	Si mingan ti pubanggan	memory	
	Ki pagi haga dibbi	That's what can be discussed	
	Sina jadi pedoman 2x	If morning must lead to evening	
		That's what can be used as a guide	
	Kik dapok dang kham lupa	If possible, let's not forget	

No.	Song Title & Lyrics (Lampung Saibatin-Pesisir)	Translation (English)
	Dang lupa khani nambi	Don't forget yesterday
	Kipak ajo segata	Even though this is just a rhyme
	Kidang helau maksudni 2x	But its meaning is good
	Lain ki nyak ngewada	I'm not criticizing
	Atau ki hasut dengki	Or inciting envy
	Layang-layang umpama	The kite is made an example
	Inda ni putus tali 2x	When the kite's string breaks

This song, "Layang-Layang" by Arifin, carries profound and meaningful messages that can be learned and applied in everyday life.

- 1. Enjoy the Moment but Don't Forget Reality: Lyrics like "Ingat, ingat! Jangan sampai lupa. Ketika badan merasa senang" and "Kalau dapat janganlah kita sampai lupa. Jangan dilupakan hari kemarin" remind us to savor the joy and pleasure of the present moment but remain aware of reality and consider the consequences of the future. This concept aligns with the idea of Mindfulness, as explained by Kabat-Zinn in his book "Wherever You Go, There You Are" (Kabat-Zinn, 1994).
- 2. Life is a Cycle: Lyrics such as "Kalau pagi hari mestilah menuju sore hari" depict the cycle of life and that everything has a beginning and an end. It also implies that all good and bad things are temporary; this aligns with the concept of Impermanence in Buddhism and is also found in philosophical literature, such as in "Meditations" by Marcus Aurelius (Aurelius & Hays, 2003).
- 3. Courage and Openness in Facing Consequences: Lyrics like "Bukannya saya mencela atau menghasud dengki, Layang-layang dijadikan umpama, Ketika layang-layang putus tali" may teach us to have the courage to face the consequences of our actions. Referring to "The Courage to Be Disliked" by Ichiro Kishimi and Fumitake Koga (Kishimi & Koga, 2013), we should not fear criticism or consequences as long as we act rightly.
- 4. Simplicity and Dependency: Lyrics like "Kalau hujan sama sekali tak berdaya, Hancurlah sudah pasti" reflect that in our simplicity and innocence, we are often vulnerable and dependent on our environmental conditions. This concept aligns with Thoreau's thinking in "Walden" (Thoreau, 1854), emphasizing a simple life and humanity's dependence on nature.

Table 5. Angin Tanggakha Song Lyrics

No.	Song Title & Lyrics (Lampung Saibatin-Pesisir)	Translation (English)
4.	Title: Angin Tanggakha Vocal: Arifin	Southeast Wind

No.	Song Title & Lyrics (Lampung Saibatin-Pesisir)	Translation (English)
	Creation: Arifin	
	Source files:	
	https://www.youtube.com/watch?	
	v=4Vg6A2Kitg4	
	Sampai kodo salam ku	Will my greetings reach you
	Ni batok daya pagi	Carried by the morning breeze
	Guggoh nyak kodo nikuwi	Like do you, to me
	Tikham dawah dabingi	Longing day and night
	Guggoh nyak kodo niku	
	Tikham dawah dabingi	Longing day and night
	Kidang mak mingan tungga	But unable to meet
	Jukung bulayakh debbiwi	Boats sail in the evening
	Teduh ku niku khaiya	I thought you were like that
	Jukung bulayakh debbi	
	Teduh ku niku khaiya	
•	Reff	
	Injuk angin tenggakhaaa	Like the southeast wind
	Kheno nyak lawan niku	That's how my longing is for you
	Mak buya kuta-tanya	Never weary, always inquiring
	Munyaian kodo hakuu	I hope you are in good health and well-
	Mak buya kutatanya	being
	Munyaian kodo hakuu	
•	Munyaian kodo haku	I hope you are in good health and well-
	Sangking sayang ku sia	being
	Nginum way dilom guduu	How much I cherish you
	Khanno haga putungga	Drinking water from a bottle
	Nginum way dilom guduu	That's how strong the desire to meet is
	Khanno haga putungga	O
•	Khanno haga putunggaaa	That's how strong the desire to meet is
	Mak dawah mak dabingi	It doesn't matter the time, be it day or
	Bangik ki niku khaiyaa	night
	Induh pak mak saikali	It would be nice if you were like that too
	Bangik ki niku khaiya wi	But who knows, perhaps not at all
	Induh pak mak saikali	71 1
•	Kidang ano da khena	That's how it is
	Salam ku lawan niku	My greetings to you
	Bangik ki mutakhima	I would be very happy if they are
	Khanno hakhapku diku	accepted
	Bangik ki mutakhima	That's my hope for you
	Khanno hakhapku diku	

The song "Angin Tanggakha" by Arifin contains several character values within its lyrics:

1. Affection and Longing: Lyrics like "Seperti akukah kamu, Rindu siang malam" and "Begitulah keinginan untuk bertemu, Tak pandang waktu, baik siang maupun malam" express deep affection and strong longing. They remind us that affection and longing are integral parts of human relationships. Relevant references can be found in the book "Love: The

- Psychology of Attraction" by DK (DK, 2016), which explains the dynamics of affection and longing in relationships.
- 2. Hope and Belief: Lyrics like "Kuharap dalam keadaan sehat wal afiat" and "Begitulah harapanku padamu" indicate the singer's solid hopes and beliefs regarding the person addressed; this aligns with psychological research that shows hope and belief can have positive impacts on mental and physical well-being, as explained in "The Psychology of Hope" by Snyder (Snyder, 2002).
- 3. Peace and Acceptance: Lyrics like "Memang begitulah adanya, Salamku kepadamu" express an attitude of acceptance and peace towards reality; this is similar to the concept of mindfulness, which teaches acceptance and awareness of the present reality, as described in "The Miracle of Mindfulness: An Introduction to the Practice of Meditation" by Thich Nhat Hanh (Hanh, 1975).
- 4. Dedication and Loyalty: Lyrics like "Tak mengenal lelah selalu menanyakan" indicate high dedication and loyalty. This concept is often found in literature about love and relationships, such as "The Five Love Languages: How to Express Heartfelt Commitment to Your Mate" by Gary Chapman (Chapman, 1995).

Discussion

Regional songs are an essential part of cultural heritage with significant potential for teaching and learning, particularly in developing character values and critical reading skills. Here is an explanation and discussion of how the character values in the lyrics of Lampung regional songs we have discussed can be utilized for critical reading instruction in junior high schools:

- 1. "Besukukh" This song talks about struggle and resilience, teaching values such as hard work and perseverance. It also emphasizes the importance of optimism and determination in facing challenges. Using this song in the context of learning can be an effective tool to teach students how to analyze and comprehend the messages within the text and relate them to their situations; this is related to the concept of critical reading, where students learn to think analytically and reflectively about the texts they read (Coiro et al., 2019).
- 2. "Lupa Dakhatan" This song contains messages about caution, consistency, avoiding risky behaviours, courage, wisdom, honesty, integrity, appreciation and solidarity. Using this song as a teaching material for critical reading can teach students to search for and interpret themes and moral messages in the text and develop their understanding of how these values can be applied in everyday life (McLaughlin & DeVoogd, 2004).

- 3. "Layang-Layang" This song conveys messages about life, the consequences of our actions, and the importance of remembering and learning from the past. It can be used in critical reading instruction to help students develop their abilities to compare and evaluate ideas and understand the consequences of actions and decisions (Lazar, 1993).
- 4. "Angin Tanggakha" This song teaches about affection, longing, hope, belief, peace, and acceptance. In the context of critical reading, this song can be used to help students understand and analyze emotions and feelings in the text, as well as to help them connect ideas and concepts in the text with their own experiences (VanTassel-Baska & Stambaugh, 2006).

CONCLUSION

Based on the research conducted on the implementation of character education values through Lampung regional song lyrics as material for critical reading instruction in Junior High Schools (SMP), several key points have emerged:

- 1. Lampung regional songs have great potential as innovative teaching materials that entertain and educate.
- 2. Values such as caution, consistency, courage, and integrity are embedded in the lyrics of Lampung regional songs, aligning with character education goals in schools.
- 3. Critical discourse analysis effectively identifies and extracts character education values implicit in song lyrics.

From the explanation of the research results above, the author formulates several recommendations as follows.

- 1. Curriculum Development: It is recommended that schools and education policymakers include regional songs, mainly from Lampung, as material for critical reading instruction at the junior high school level.
- 2. Teacher Training: Language and literature teachers should receive training on how to apply critical discourse analysis methods in teaching.
- 3. Further Studies: Further research is needed to explore the potential of other regional songs in the context of character education.
- 4. Material Development: Both songs and oral and written traditional literature should be developed as rich teaching materials for character education.
- 5. Community Participation: Encouraging community participation in preserving regional songs as cultural heritage and educational tools should be promoted.

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