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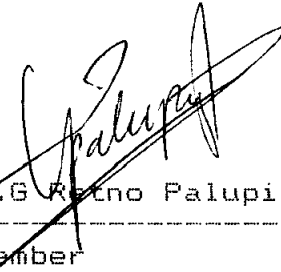
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The study under report investigated the following research questions : 1) What type of personality does Nora have as reflected in her verbal behaviours toward the other characters in the play ? 2) What character changes does Nora experience at the end of the play ?

The data for the analysis is obtained from Nora's verbal utterances (dialogues) toward the other characters such as Torvald, Dr. Rank, Christina, and Krogstad from each act that shows one of her personalities. They are the characters that help to reveal Nora's personality.

Since this study is qualitative, the writer acts both as the data collector and the instrument of the study. The writer analyzes the verbal behaviours (utterances) of Nora to see what kind of person she is at the beginning of the play and what kind of person she is at the end of the play. The writer found that :

- 1) At the beginning of the play, Nora was obedient, family-centered, loyal, and dependent on her husband. She is also loyal and helpful to her friends.
- 2) At the end of the play, Nora is disobedient, self-centered, disloyal, and independent to her husband.

This shows that Nora has changed tremendously from a person who is obedient, family-centered, loyal, and dependent to a person who is disobedient, self-centered, disloyal, and independent.

These changes in personality due to the fact that her husband has treated her like a doll. She has to obey what her husband wants to her to do, to be, and to act. On the other hand, when there is a problem, she received no protection but blame from her husband.

This study is far from being perfect. Therefore, it is suggested that other student researchers do more researches on similiar topics with better instruments and techniques of data analysis. Thus, they can learn about human being's life and its problems better.

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