# Ronnie's Introverted Personality in Nicholas Sparks's The Last Song

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#### Abstract

This research in entitled Ronnies Introverted Personality in Nicholas Spark's The Last Song. The objectives of the study are to analyze and describe Ronnie's introverted personality, the causes as well as the effect of Ronnie's introverted personality, and ways of Ronnie's dealing with her introverted personality by using Carl Gustav Jung's personality theory. The researcher employs a psychological approach because introverted personality is one of the psychological problems. The study shows that Ronnie has introverted personality because she can not communicate with others easily, negative about herself and she always tries to hide her problems and sadness. Her introverted personality is caused by her parents' divorce and the disappearance of a father figure. The analysis shows that effects of Ronnie's intovered personality are her being easily emotional and her being arrogant. Finally Ronnie's ways to deal with her introverted personality are building a sense of selfawareness, by understanding her emotion and realizing her potential musical expertise. She also builds self regulation to control her emotion. She begins to utilize her musical expertise for the advancement of her career. Ronnie builds empathy for her environment, which helps her build relationship with other people. Finally, it can be concluded that this novel portrays the main character as a teenager with an introverted personality. Even though she has an introverted personality, Ronnie can deal with her problem and she can live a better life in the end.

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#### **1. INTRODUCTION**

A humans is a unit composed of physical elements and soul elements. Physical elements in the form of the senses serve as receptors of external stimuli which then produce perceptions or images of the environment. While the soul element is related to thoughts and feelings which are the result of the work of the human brain and are abstract but can still be feel. Element of the soul forms a concept in humans to underlie attitudes towards stimuli from the environment that are captured by the five senses. The concept is the consider as a character or innate nature. Aristotle (384-322 SM), the third figure of the Golden Age of Classical Greek Philosophy, had a distinctive view of the human soul. According to him, "soul" is a living being with its activities, namely "life". The soul is life itself and its job is to makes the organic body come alive because of that the soul is the core or essence of living things. The soul is something like a form or structural arrangement of the organic part of the body (not the material part). The human soul is different from the soul of animals and plants because the human soul is added with an essence element, namely reason (mind or nous), while the soul of animals and plants only has soul energy. Therefore the human soul has the potential to digest, observe and think.

However, the human ability to interpret stimuli from the environment is different, and the concepts formed in each person will be different. This can happen, one of which is caused by physical limitations on the senses. While differences in self-concept in humans are caused by differences in character and personality they have. According to Long in Jusuf(2018:46). According to Wrzus and Robert (2016) personality as the arrangement of the elements of reason and soul that determine the existence of behavior or actions of each individual human being. This definition of personality, he admits, is very crude, and does not differ much from the meaning given to the concept in everyday language. It can be concluded, personality is used to describe self-identity, one's identity, one's general impression of oneself or others, and healthy or problematic personality functions.

Introvert is basically a type of temperament and is not the same as being shy or having a solitary personality. Introversion is also not pathological or something that can be changed. Human can learn to work with it and not against it. Eysenck in Salsabila (2018: 9) shows that individuals belonging to the introvert type are individuals who always direct their views to themselves. All attention is directed into the life of his own soul. The behavior of attitude is primarily determined by something that happen to themselves. While the outside world for them do not mean much in the determination of their behavior, therefore individuals with this type often do not have contact with the surrounding environment.

The strongest trait of introverts that distinguishes them from extroverts is their source of energy, where introverts draw energy from the internal world of ideas, emotions, and influences. It can be said that introverts are energy savers. If they get too much stimulation from the outside world, introverts will feel uncomfortable and will feel restless. So introverts need to limit their association with the outside world so they do not waste a lot of energy. However, introverts also need to balance time alone with time for the outside world to make connections. Introverts are often isolated in social life. an introvert will be seen as arrogant, unfriendly, unsociable, shy, antisocial, and so on. This stigmas are very attached to introverts which makes the personality like being in the lower class. In fact, introverts are not individuals who like to be alone, it's just that they get energy by being alone and reflecting. Introverts can also experience stress due to not being accepted by their environment, and they are always required to change into extroverts who are more in line with social expectations. Introverts will increasingly limit themselves from social relationships because of the

Introverts will increasingly limit themselves from social relationships because of the discomfort they feels due to negative views about them and cause the environment to reinforce their thinking that introverts are a mistake.

This novel is choosen for this thesis because this novel is very complex about the conflicts people experience, not only describing romance in youth, but also containing conflicts between family and friendship. The story of Veronica "Ronnie" Miller's world is turned upside down when her parents decide to divorce and her father moves to Wrightsville. Her parents' divorce is the beginning of the problems in her life. This also affects Ronnie's relationship with her parents, especially her father. Ronnie hates her father very much and everything related to her father begins to be shunned, including the piano.

The relationship between daughter and father is at the center of the story. Her hatred grows when she has to spend an entire summer at her father's house. Her father has left her home in new york and moves to a house near the beach in North Carolina where Ronnie meets Will, the volleyball boy she look playing on the beach for the first time. Their relationship is peppered with ups and downs of problems like waves on the beach but seems natural and sweet. The thesis presents the analysis of Ronnie's Introverted Personality, the causes and effects of her introverted personality, and ways of Ronnie's dealing with her introvered personality.

The study aims to describe Ronnie's introverted personality, the causes, and the effects of Ronnie's introverted personality, as well as the way of Ronnie's dealing with her introverted personality. It is hoped this study can be useful for the readers to understand the psychological value contained in the novel, especially the introverted personality described in the main character in this novel. The study can be a new reference to later writers for analyzing literary works particularly about introverted personality.

## 2. METHOD

The method employed in the thesis is descriptive qualitative analysis study because the method used is to analyze, describe, identify, and classify the data. Descriptive analysis method is used to describe events, objects and phenomena in defining Ronnie's personality.

In the study, the researcher adopted the inclusion as part of an intrinsic approach to analyzing the kind and causes of the introverted personality of Ronnie and extrinsic approach employs a psychoanalysis. Where personality is so closely associated with character elements that the approach used in this research is both intrinsic and extrinsic.

The Instrument of the research is the researcher herself as the subject of the study by reading and understanding the references which support this study. A research instrument is one of the tools used to collect data. For the data gained into valid data one instrument or commonly called a measuring instrument is required.

The data collection is done by the following step: (1)Reading the novel, (2)Understanding the novel, especially themain characters and herintroverted personality, (3)Identifying the part of novel relating to the topic of analysis, Ronnie's introverted personality, (4)Classifying the quotations based on the topic of the discussion.

This research is based on Theory of Personality According to Carl Gustav Jung. Jung divides the personality system into two, namely the conscious and unconscious dimensions. where the ego operates at the level of the conscious personality system, the personal unconscious and the collective unconscious operate at the level of the unconscious personality system. In addition to the systems that are tied to their respective areas of operation, there are attitudes (introvers-extravers) and functions (mind-feeling-perception-intuition) that operate at all levels of consciousness and unconsciousness, According to Jung in Schultz (2009:100).

The data analysisprocedure in this research is divided into five stages. First, Collecting the data relating to the topic of analysis. second, Classifying the data based on Ronnie's personality, causes and effect of Ronnie's personality and ways of Ronnie's dealing with her

introverted personality. Thirtd, Interpreting the classified data and relating to the theory. The last, Analyzing the databased on the problem statement, Concluding th result of the analysis.

## 3. RESULT AND DISCUSSION

#### **3.1 Ronnie's Introvert Personality**

According to Carl Gustav Jung, introvert prefaces personal subjective experiences, focusing on inner and private worlds where reality comes in the form of a deceased, less cooperative, quiet, even antisocial. Most introspective people are introspective and busy with their own internal life. Of course they also observe the outside world, but they do so selectively, using their own subjective views. Ronnie's introversion is described in the four more introverted behaviors based on Carl gustavjung's theory :

#### **3.1.1 Thinking Function**

Jung said that introversion of mind is a personality type of someone who likes abstract ideas and othere concrete objects. Tend to have a good intellectual and stubborn. The focus of thinkers is that they understand themselves better than they understand othere people. The following is evidence of Ronnie's character.

Ronnie always uses logic to see everything. In terms of music, unlike her father who was so in love with music that he dedicated his life to music.Ronnie also likes music but she thinks about what things might happen and what can happen. Ronnie will get it if Ronnie is in the music world, will her career run smoothly, will it guarantee her life. No matter how proud Ronnie's parents are, she thinks that it doesn't guarantee her life. An introvert has a different method that is always doing the dialectic and long considerations in the head. Before deciding on something such as answering a question, he will look for various references and weigh the most appropriate answer.

Ronnie tends to have her own thoughts, tends to be careful, pessimistic, critical and always tries to maintain good qualities for herself. In ther case, Ronnie is aware of her ability in the field of music, especially in playing the piano. young performers series at carnegie hall four years ago. However, Ronnie's introverted thinking nature makes her feel pessimistic about her abilities. Whether these skills will help her succeed in life, Ronnie feels that just playing music is useless. there will be those who are interested in her musical ability, in Ronnie's mind maybe only her parents will appreciate her talent. Because of her introverted nature, Ronnie finds it difficult to develop her musical talent.even though Ronnie's piano playing is very good. Ther introverted personality of thought is self unconsious from within Ronnie. Where self unconsious is a series of experiences or impressions that are present in life but are too weak to be accepted in the conscious mind, which then affects behavior indirectly conscious. The experience and impression that Ronnie saw from her father, where her father willing to leave his job as a teacher at julliard because he pursued the dream as a concert pianist. But the end of her father's life was just playing the piano in places that were not classy and empty of audience. willing to go away forty weeks per year from home, which then made the relationship between father and mother not good and ended in separation.

"I don't drank." "Why?" Because it makes people act stupid, she could have said. But she didn't. She knew that any explanation she offered would only prolong the conversation. "I just don't. That's all." "Just say no?" he taunted. "If you say so." (Sparks,2010:103).

The quotation above shows Ronnie is a person who always thinks about everything from the good and bad side that will be obtained when she does something. Like things her peers often do,like a drunking, smoking, even taking drugs, all of that Ronnie didn't do it because Ronnie thought it was useless, only babbled when drunking, walked around in a daze, losing consciousness, and doing something really stupid. The perspective in assessing youth with othere teenagers is indeed different, Ronnie thinks othere teenagers have wasted time only for worldly pleasures.

#### **3.1.2 Feeling Function**

Jung said that emotional introversion is a personality type of someone who actually has a high emotional sense but is successfully restrained and not shown to otheres. Impressed to have high self-confidence with a calm personality, but emotions suddenly can't be controlled. The following are the types of introversion-feelings of the main characters found in novels. What Jung says above happens to Ronnie as seen in the following quotation.

"She stopped, unable to put all that was going on, all that had happened, into words. "I'm old enough to make my own decisions. Don't you get that? You gave up the right to tell me what to do when you walked out the door. And would you please listen to me!" (Sparks,2010:74).

The quotation above describes how emotional Ronnie is, because her father plays the piano where she thinks her father did it on purpose because she wanted to make Ronnie want to play the piano again, but Ronnie still doesn't want to play the piano anymore and will continue to hate music. Emotions can appear when humans feel happy, sad, angry, disappointed, and so on. Emotions that are being felt will affect actions. Ronnie's emotions reflect an overflow of emotions because of her disappointment with her father, making Ronnie hate things related to her father, namely the piano.

Feelings of anger shown by the main character due to the separation of her parents. The main character who is an introvert also has good emotional control. Despite the uncomfortable feeling, the sad feeling came over and even interfered with her perspective, the sad emotion was only buried in her heart. The emotions on herself were actually peaking, but the sad feelings were not vented to otheres. The ego in her body works consciously to control the emotions of the main character. If consciousness does not succeed in filtering it, then there will be detrimental things that the main character unconsciously gives to othere people. The main character trains rational thinking which is applied in the real world. othere data that shows emotional control can be proven in the following data:

"which meant she would have to fake it.sighing,she heaved herself up from the porch steps and headed fot the door."hey,sweetie,how did it got?" she forced a quick smile,trying to act as nonchalant as possible ."i didn't have a chace to talktoher",she said."(Sparks,2010:139)

The quotation above describes Ronnie's introvert personality to the function of feelings where she tends to hide her feelings, anxiety, and fear that Ronnie feels. When Ronnie has to hide the fact that her new friend Blazee has trapped Ronnie.so that Ronnie is accused of stealing which makes Ronnie have to be sued because of that.Ronnie asks blazee to tell the truth but blazee refuses. Ronnie acts as if she is normal in front of her father, but actually there is anger and fear because if there case continues.It will have a bad impact on her future, considering Ronnie already has several criminal records of stealing and her criminal record will be deleted if Ronnie is good, but with there case, it is very likely that her criminal record will not be deleted.

"go ahead and cry," she hear jonahwherper "i'm not cry," she said "youshound like you're crying." "i'm not." "it'sokay,it doesn't bothere me." ."(Sparks,2010:140).

From the above conversation, it can also be seen how Ronnie's younger brother Jonah, understands the nature of her brothere who is not easy to show the sadness and problems that Ronnie faces to otheres, even to jonah. Ronnie's introverted personality tends to make it difficult for Ronnie to express her emotions. In terms of introverted feelings, Ronnie keeps her emotions to herself. Reluctant to tell others, even with her own siblings. Feelings of joy, sadness, disappointment, anger, fear, Ronnie keept all of that to herself.always seems strong and act like everything is oke, feeling like he can get things done on her own is a reflection of the introverted personality type feeling. It's very difficult to make Ronnie open up to other people, it takes a little effort to approach someone like Ronnie. As Ronnie's younger brother, Jonah is very understanding how is Ronnie's character. Jonah is always aware when Ronnie is in a state that is not okay. Jonah always has her own way of dealing with her brother's emotions, like trying to get Ronnie to vent her sadness by saying simple things like cry, there's nothing wrong with crying, don't have to cover up and hold back sadness.

"she turned toward him, "please dont make me stay,i don't like it here.i don't belong here.i want to go home."her dad said nothing,but she saw the dissapointment in her face. "i'm sorry," she added."and it's not you,okay?." (Sparks,2010:174).

From the above quotation, it can be seen how emotional she was when Ronnie got incitement from Will's ex-lover. Ashley has telling that Ronnie just a toy for Will, she has telling that Will was used to doing sweet things to women he just met. Ronnie very emotional hearing that and hates himself for being so stupid and easily trust Will.Shechoses to leave ashley and Will who has playing volleyball. Ronnie's emotions are easily ignited when she finds out things that she feels are not true, she immediately gets angry and doesn't find out the truth first. She didn't realize she has releasing her emotions in front of her father, but she was still reluctant to tell him, Ronnie just said she wanted to go home.

Jung said that a person with an introverted feeling type has strong emotions. they tend to refrain from expressing their emotions to others, but their emotions can explode suddenly. Ronnie's misunderstanding of Will is caused by the nature of someone who is an introverted feeling type, where ther personality type is easily ignited by emotions, concludes everything without seeking the truth. Ronnie only listened to Ashley's words and immediately believed her without thinking, where Ashley was Will's ex-lover who didn't like seeing Ronnie's closeness to Will. Because he couldn't control her emotions, especially Ronnie's introverted personality who couldn't express her feelings and feelings. what happened to other people, Venting anger can make a person feel more relieved, as well as motivate them to be more careful in taking an action. Ther can also make a person have better self-control. Due to Ronnie's introverted personality, it makes her shut herself off from other people so that it has an impact on Ronnie who always covers up her problems, her feelings for others. There is no place to vent her emotions, which then happens Ther has a negative impact on her emotional control which becomes unstable.

## **3.1.3 Sensing Function**

Jung said that sensory introversion is an introverted personality type that involves the body's sensory functions. several categories fall into sensory introversion. An introvert has an active and broad mind. likewise, they take full advantage of the body's senses, whethere consciously or not. They tend to think about various problems that come in and relate them to facts. here are the types of introversion-Ronnie's feelings found in the novels.

An introvert tends to be quiet and avoid getting involved with othere people. This makes the senses that exist in her become more sensitive. They will be quiet and try to understand what is going on around them. The main character is often sensitive to what happens to her or othere people. Actually, an introvert also has a high sense of empathy. They can be sensitive in many ways.

"And then there was the guy who did it. Brown-haired, brown-eyed cute guy. Up close, she realized he was way better looking than cute, especially when he got that expression of... concern. He might have been part of the popular crowd, but in the nanosecond their eyes had met, she'd had the strangest sense that he was as real as they came." (Sparks,2010:36).

The above quotation describes Ronnie's introvert behavior in sensing function. Ronnie describes how people look when she sees volleyball sets on the beach. It is not because Ronnie hates them, but because Ronnie thinks she can tell what kind of people they are by just looking at what they look like. Will's handsome appearance, tall, dark brown hair, must have attracted the girls' eyes around him, Ronnie's suspicions were confirmed when the brunette winks at the girls in front of him, the popular type with the talent for athletes.At the same time, Ronnie was seen noticing a group of girls that he didn't like very much, with a beautiful body to look at, a popular kind of girl, the kind of girl that was popular and much appreciated, that Ronnie judged a person by her appearance.

# **3.1.4 Intuition Function**

Jung says that intuitive introversion is a personality type of introverted person who tends to be impractical and understand facts subjectively. However, intuitive judgment to solve a problem is very strong and smart to bring otheres to follow her opinion.

"She knew he was sincere, but a nagging voice inside her asked how many summer romances actually withstood the test of time. Not many, and it had nothing to do with feelings. People changed. Interests changed. All she had to do was glance in the mirror to recognize that." (Sparks,2010:312-313).

The function of Ronnie's intuition when Ronnie's relationship with Will is on the verge of separation.Ronnie is not sure about her relationship with Will considering they will be separated by distance.Ronnie must return to New York while Will will study in Nashville. She thinks that this relationship will be in vain.because according to her humans change quickly, human interests also often change, considering how the relationship with her parents is messy. her father and mothere love each othere and then beganing to change when the father rarely comes home and their relationship ends in separation. The main character often experiences conflict in feelings and thoughts when facing a problem. she is unable to express anger and only berates through her mind so that she makes thoughts according to her heart.

Intuitive introvert people have sharp intuition. Because of the introverted nature who likes to play with her own mind, Ronnie often uses her intuition in looking at everything that happens in her life. Like thinking about how her relationship with Will will ended when Ronnie returns to New York and Will continues for college far from New York. Remembering the experience that Ronnie saw from the separation of her parents due to the distance between her father and mother when her father chose to travel out of town for a music tour, which resulted in her mother turning away from her father. Ther formed a bad instinct in Ronnie that long distance relationship will not go easy. Ronnie thinks that her relationship with Will will be in vain and the end of the relationship is just a breakup.

#### **3.2 Causes of Introverted Personality**

## 3.2.1Ronnie's Parents' Divorce

The impact of the broken home described in the novel for the main character can be seen from the beginning of the novel. The divorce of Ronnie's parents greatly affect Ronnie's behavioral and emotional changes. This is one of the effects of the house breaking that happens to Ronnie's behavioral and emotional changes. Not only does she not want to see or talk to her father, but he also hates and stopps everything related to her father, including playing the piano.

"Ronnie hated the piano and swore she'd never play again, a decision even some of her oldest friends thought was strange, since it had been a major part of her life for as long as she'd known them. Her dad, once a teacher at Juilliard, had been her teacher as well, and for a long time, she'd been consumed by the desire not only to play, but to compose original music with her father." (Sparks,2010:12).

Disappointment towards her parents made Ronnie an introverted personality type of feelings and thoughts. Leaving one of the most important things in her life was one of Ronnie's ways of venting her disappointment. In fact, one of the important highlights in her career was playing the piano and composing songs. Changes in herself who was originally an extrovert, enthusiastic in exploring and developing her musical talent became an introvert by leaving music. Not only because of her disappointment with her father, but because it also made Ronnie have the thought that music does not guarantee her success. music. Not only from the function of thought alone,Ronnie's parents' divorce had an impact on Ronnie's feeling function which turned into an introverted type of feeling. Ronnie became a private person who has closed to the feelings she felt. she did not want to be open about her feelings, did not want to tell the problems that existed to others, making Ronnie a private person. Because of ther emotional feeling, Ronnie often creates misunderstandings between Ronnie and other people. Because of ther, Ronnie becomes a person who always has a bad attitude towards others, thus creating a sense of

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#### **3.2.2** The Disappearance of Father Figures

Ronnie's father, Steve Miller is a musician who loves music very much, dedicating half of his life to music. Steve teaches at julliard and then he decides to quit her job to pursue his dream of becoming a concert pianist. he is willing to leave his wife and children to tour around the city. In order to pursue her dream, Steve's efforts ended in failure. Less than twelve months after her divorce from his wife, her tour schedule ran out to no longer exist.

The father figure at home is very low. for three years after the divorce, Ronnie stayed with her mothere and younger brothere. As a child without a father because of a divorce, Ronnie had minimal interaction with a male parent. After the divorce, Steve moved out of their home and moved to her hometown. Due to conditions without a father, Ronnie did not get her father all her life.

"That's why he left, isn't it? Because he found out. But you let me believe all along that it was all her fault, that he walked out for no good reason. You pretended it was him, when it was you all along. How could you do that?" Ronnie could barely breathe." (Sparks,2010:401).

From the conversation, it is very clear that Ronnie does not want to meet or even talk to her father.because she was very disappointed with him. she feel that all of there was her father's fault and her father's choice. After her parents' divorce, Ronnie became cynical about everything. it is explained that Ronnie blamed her father as the reason for the divorce. She don't know the real cause,and all she knew that her father left her for no apparent reason and not long after that her parents divorced. Ronnie becomes a rebellious girl as an escape from reality.

## 3.3 Effects of Ronnie's Introvert Personality

#### 3.3.1 Getting emotional

Introverts tend to keep all their problems to themselves, interestingself and aloof. Personally, Ronye prefers to think alone rathere than talking to othere people. There has an impact on her emotional irritability because she can't channel every problem she experiences.

"Well, it makes me feel sick. Don't you get that? I hate the piano. I hate that I had to play every single day! And I hate that I even have to see the damn thing anymore!" (Sparks,2010:108).

The quotation above shows how easy it is for Ronnie to get annoyed just because her father plays the piano, Ronnie thinks her father do it on purpose to attract Ronnie's attention to want to play the piano again, even though her father did it just for fun, indeed music is part of Ronnie's father's life.Ronnie's emotions that her father treats her like a child too much.she feels that she is an adult and needs freedom. And again actually Ronnie doesn't want to be here. After the incident her father ordered the police to look for her and bring her home.The introverted nature that always harbors what Ronnie feels so far so Ronnie vents it angrily.Because Ronnie buried all the feelings she felt and didn't want to talk about it with othere people, Ronnie make her anger her escape. Always angry with her father, she never listen to her mothere,can't trust othere people, especially with new people.She always things badly of othere people. Sometimes even small things can make Ronnie angry, and often think badly of something and it's easy to conclude something without finding out the truth.

"Thanks for nothing!" she snapped.

"What are you talking about?"

"I asked you to do one simple thing! Just make a call to have the cage put up! But you couldn't even do that!"

"Wait... what's going on?" He blinked.

"I told you I saw a raccoon! I told you a raccoon was coming around the nest!" "Did something happen to the nest?"

"Like you even care. What? Did your volleyball game make you forget?" (Sparks,2010:142).

From the excerpt of the conversation above, it can be seen how cynical Ronnie with Will. At that time Ronnie find a turtle nest on the beach behind her yard, and Will as an aquarium volunteer is tasked with reporting there so that the officers took action and the turtle nest is free from racoon animals, which are very fond of animals. turtle eggs, considering that turtles are protected animals. In fact ,aquarium staff do not come so it make Ronnie stay up all night to protect the turtle nest. Ronnie blame Will because she feel that Will was not serious in reporting to the aquarium and thought Will underestimated there. Ronnie always has a bad attitude towards people, where Ronnie easily concludes and has prejudice against otheres by just looking at their appearance and giving opinions according to what Ronnie believes.

## 3.3.2 Arrogant

An introverted has an arrogant side to her. Even though the arrogant attitude only exists in the mind without being realized because they also have good self-control. Ronnie often experiences conflict in feelings and thoughts when facing a problem. she is unable to express anger and only shows through arrogant behavior. There can be seen in Ronnie's attitude when she first met her father again.

"Sweetheart?" she heard her dad say. He stopped playing. "Can we talk about last night?" "I really don't have time to talk right now," she said, adjusting her tote bag. "I just want to know where you were all day." "Nowhere. It's not important." "It is important." "No, Dad," she said, her voice firm. "It isn't. And I've got things to do, okay?" (Sparks,2010:107).

It was clear how Ronnie was being arrogant towards her father. There was done because she felt uncomfortable and hated having to meet her father and having to live with her father during the summer holidays. There is due to the emotions that are too much buried in her mind for her disappointment to her father who just left. Anothere evidence that shows that the main character is arrogant can be proven by Ronnie's attitude towards Will. Ronnie's introverted nature makes it a little difficult for her to communicate with new people and always thinks badly of otheres. From the conversation, it can be seen that Ronnie is not very comfortable with Will's presence there so Ronnie is arrogant towards Will. Ronnie thinks that Will is type of handsome man who likes to charm women. what is the reason will approach her because Ronnie feels she is not Will's favorite type of girl and honestly,Will is also not the type of guy that Ronnie likes.That's why Ronnie is cold towards Will. the feeling of always having bad thoughts and distrust of otheres is the effect of Ronnie's introverted attitude.

## 3.4 Ways of Ronnie's Dealing with Her Introverted Personality

Ronnie's introverted attitude has a bad impact on Ronnie's thinking and behavior, so that it affects several activities in her life. Thereefore, Ronnie needs to adapt to thereintroverted attitude so that Ronnie can change into a better person. Here are some steps that Ronnie took. in adjusting, starting from creating self-awareness to understand all situations that cause emotions in her, regulating herself so that she can control her emotions, and creating a sense of empathy and understanding for the people around her, so that Ronnie can establish good relationships with othere people

## 3.4.1 Self awareness

Self-awareness is one of the foundations for most elements of emotional awareness. There is an important step to understand yourself and change yourself. Self-awareness is one of the characteristics that is quite unique and basic in humans. There is what will differentiate one individual from anothere.

In there case, Ronnie tries to focus more on how Ronnie see herself, what she wants and what she will be like in the future. she begins to understand and accept every emotion in her such as the emotion of disappointment towards her father where Ronnie feels her father has betrayed him personally. by just walking away and then now Ronnie felt her father acting like it was all no big deal, as if it could all start from the beginning and Ronnie tried not to deny her emotions when she felt she was starting to like will. By having that kind of internal awareness, Ronnie then will be more able to control their emotions, slowly begin to be able to open up with their feelings to otheres and make peace with all the events that cause these emotions.

"Looking back, she remembered being angry at the thought that he was trying to get her to play, but had he really been trying to do that? Had it really been about her? Or had he played because it was an essential aspect of who he was? ." (Sparks,2010:282).

From the quote it describes how Ronnie began to realize and understand the emotions she had been feeling, anger because of her disappointment with her father had made him an introverted person in the function of thinking. she is in music and tries to accept, not denying her ability is only because of her emotional feelings towards her father. Starting to understand what emotions she has been feeling, emotions that Ronnie thinks because she feels that her father deliberately plays the piano in front of her to persuade her to play the piano again, then Ronnie starts coming to terms with her emotions by trying to understand the reason behind her father's attitude, is it because her father did it because of her or indeed music has become a part of her father's life. With the awareness on her, Ronnie can control her emotions so that little by little she can start to open up with her father, know how to share her thoughts with othere people, share her problems with

othere people, and also start thinking about how she can develop her musical talent. so that it can be useful in later life.

### 3.4.2 Self Regulation

After doing self-awareness about what emotions he feels and realizing the talent that exists in her, Ronnie makes self-regulation by controlling her emotions so that then it can have a positive impact on her, sensitive to her conscience and able to build enthusiasm again for her musical talent so far. Ronnie left by recovering from emotional stress. Handling feelings so that feelings can be properly expressed is a skill that relies on selfawareness.

Ronnie tried to control all the emotions in her, started trying to get closer to her father and little by little began to understand her father and then made Ronnie understand the reason her father left, realizing that all there time she had been wrong to think that her father was to blame for all the problems that happened without him. find out the cause.

"she reminded herself that it was time to look ahead, not back. She might or might not be admitted to Juilliard, even if the director had told her that the status of her application looked "very promising." No matter what happened, she knew that her future lay in music, and one way or anothere, she would find her way back to that passion." (Sparks,2010:459).

After understanding the emotions in herself and what abilities she has, Ronnie begins to control what emotion she feels. Begin to make peace with her anger and disappointment over the imperfection of her family, begins to try to forgive her father, begins to try to understand othere people and listen from that person's point of view. Ronnie becomes more open about the problems she faces with othere people, so that it will help Ronnie to establish better communication in socializing. Ronnie also begins to regulate herself by trying to think ahead. Start thinking about what her future will be like. , trying to take advantage of her abilities and furthere develop her abilities in the field of music, Ronnie became aware of her goals.

#### 3.4.3 Empathy

Here Ronnie tries to recognize, perceive, and feel the feelings of those around him, trying to understand her father, her friend Blaze and the man he started to like, Will. when a person feels anothere person's feelings and grasps the meaning of those feelings, then communicates them with sensitivity in such a way as to show that he truly understands the othere person's feelings, thus emphasizing being togethere with otheres and will then form a trusting relationship.

"Ronnie thought about that. "And he needs a volleyball scholarship to go to college?" "It would definitely help." She pulled him to a stop. "Then make time for there boot camp thing. Practice and drill. Do whatever you have to do to get ready. He's your friend, right? We'll still find time to be togethere. Even if both of us have to sit out by the turtle nest. I can go to work tired." (Sparks,2010:269).

From the quote above it describes how Ronnie builds empathy for otheres, tries to feel othere people's feelings, puts herself in that person's position. Starting from persuading Will to take time to practice volleyball because there will be a match, where the match is very important for Will's friend, Scotte. Scotte needs a scholarship by winning the match, while Will wants to spend time with Ronnie because Ronnie will soon return to New York and part with Will. Ronnie begins to throw away the introverted side

in her thinking function, where usually Ronnie only thinks about herself, but in these case Ronnie started to think of someone else. Scotte loses the opportunity to get a scholarship. Anothere thing is also seen when Ronnie begins to feel empathy for her new friend, Blaze, even though Blaze has already gotten Ronnie into trouble. Ronnie tries to understand Blaze's annoying attitude, where Blaze and he have almost the same background, both of her parents divorced. Ronnie gradually threw away bad thoughts towards blaze, so that it would build a sense of trust in othere people in Ronnie. by building empathy, Ronnie could build good relationships with othere people. can build good relationships with othere people in the future, such as in the world of her career later.even though blaze has got Ronnie in trouble. Ronnie tries to understand blaze's annoving attitude, where blaze and she have almost the same background, her parents are divorced. Ronnie gradually throws away bad thoughts about blaze, so that it will build a sense of trust in people othere things in Ronnie. By building empathy, Ronnie can build good relationships with othere people. Not just now, it is hoped that with there empathy Ronnie can build good relationships with othere people in the future, as in her career in the future.even though blaze has got Ronnie in trouble. Ronnie tries to understand blaze's annoying attitude, where blaze and he have almost the same background, her parents are divorced. Ronnie gradually throws away bad thoughts about blaze, so that it will build a sense of trust in people othere things in Ronnie.by building empathy, Ronnie can build good relationships with othere people. not just now, it is hoped that with there empathy Ronnie can build good relationships with othere people in the future, as in her career in the future.so that it will build a sense of trust in otheres in Ronnie. by building empathy, Ronnie can build good relationships with othere people. Not only now, it is hoped that with there empathy Ronnie can build good relationships with othere people in the future, as in future career world.so that it will build a sense of trust in otheres in Ronnie. By building empathy, Ronnie can build good relationships with othere people. Not only now, it is hoped that with there empathy Ronnie can build good relationships with othere people in the future, as in future career world.

## 4. CONCLUSION

After analyzing the novel, the conclusion of there study that the main character Ronnie in the novel The Last Song has 4 kinds of introverted attitudes in her based on the function of her soul, namely thinking introvert, feeling introvert, sensing introvert and intuition introvert.

Ronnie is a teenager who initially has a normal life and is talented in music, especially playing the piano. However, her life began to change when her parents separated and her father left her for no apparent reason. Introverts In the function of thinking, Ronnie thinks about everything from her own point of view. In the function of feelings, Ronnie becomes difficult to control her emotions, becomes a little easily provoked by emotions because of a problem without finding out the cause of the problem and tends to keep the problem to himself, unable to convey her feelings to othere people. othere or can not open with othere people even with her parents. In the sensory function, Ronnie is arrogant towards new people, always think badly of othere people just by looking at that person's appearance. In the function of intuition, Ronnie has her own thoughts, has a view of life, concludes things according to her intuition that Ronnie sees from the past events he has seen and experienced.

The analysis of these study also shows the cause of Ronnie's introverted attitude. There are two causes of Ronnie's introvertedness, the first because of the divorce of her parents and the second because of her disappointment at losing her father figure who has been her biggest inspiration in the world of music. Because of her introverted attitude, Ronnie becomes emotional and sensitive to everything so Ronnie is a little difficult to understand adapting to a new environment, difficult to trust otheres and always think badly of otheres.

Ronnie's attitude is very influential in her life, so she needs to control with her introvert personality .so that the introverted personality does not have a bad impact on her life. There are several ways that Ronnie does. The first is to form self-awareness, by understanding the emotions Ronnie feels. then Ronnie will self-regulate, after understanding these emotions, Ronnie tries to control her emotions so as not to overdo it which is likely to have a bad impact on othere people.

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