CHAPTER III

METHODOLOGY OF RESEARCH

3.1 Method of research

This research will use descriptive method. It will describe the characteristic of Ashley in Sidney Sheldon novel entitle “Tell me your dreams”.

3.2 Approach

The research will use the psychological approach. Psychological approach is approach that departs from the assumption that literary work always talks about human psychological problem. In this case this approach will be chosen in analyzing the characteristic of Ashley in the novel Tell me Your Dreams because the physiological approach is used to analyze the human behavior and it is the most suitable approach to analyze the character of Ashley who has Multiple Personality Disorder.

3.3 Technique of Collecting the Data

For data collection procedure, firstly, I will read the novel and then identifying the data by underlying each sentence that related with the characteristics of Ashley. The purpose of doing this step is to collect as much as sentence which can describe the characteristic of Ashley.

Secondly, by collecting the data biography of Sidney Sheldon or some books which relation or told about her. Usually, each author has their own style in
writing. By identifying their biography or previous literary work, researcher can get information about the background why their write their book. It will help the researchers to analyze the literary work.

3.4 Technique of Analyzing the Data

The data of this research is analyzed qualitative by using several steps according to Milles and Huberman (in 1994,10-12) as follow:

a. Reduction Data

The first step in analyzing this research was identifying the data, in the case the research identifying the data from novel, Tell me Your Dreams by Sidney Sheldon. The data which identified includes the characterization of main character namely Ashley Patterson, Toni Prescott and Alette Peters.

b. Display Data

The data was reduced, it was analyzed. This step explored the analysis of Ashley Patterson characterization and relating with the psychological theory as Sigmund Freud.

c. Verification Data

The last step is verification the data, which conclude the analyzing of main character by using psychological approach.