

## ABSTRACT

**Amelia, Linda.** 2022. Racial Stereotypes Through Characters' Responses to Racism in *Dear Martin* (2017) by Nic Stone. Padang: English Department, Faculty of Language and Arts, Universitas Negeri Padang.

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This research is an analysis of the novel by Nic Stone entitled *Dear Martin* (2017). The purpose of this study was to determine the effect of racial stereotypes on the response of characters in the novel. The characters in question are characters of white people and black people from teen to adult. This study used racial stereotype theory to analyze the novel. The data are taken from words, phrases, sentences, and quotations in the novel. The method used in this research is descriptive analysis with a qualitative approach to gain a deep understanding, theory development, description of reality and social complexity. The results showed that racial stereotypes have an influence on the response of the characters in them.

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