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#### Abstract

This research entitled "Traumatic Experience in Erich Maria Remarque's novel All Quiet" attempts to analyze the text from the perspectives of war trauma theory. Analyzing the experiences of war of the central character Paul Baumer, this research explores how the unexpected brutality of war which he experiences has affected his psychology and how that situation develop disease like wound inside him. The main character of this novel Paul is highly traumatized due to the war when he gets involved in the war of French front. It especially focuses on child soldiers and about the fate of the soldiers in war zones, the novel not only highlights the complexity of human nature under stress but also adds an important voice to the war on child soldiers. The research attempts to study the novel from trauma theory in order to explore the impact of war on the child. Remarque in this very work examines the traumatic vision through the actual depiction of the warfare. Almost all the characters of the novel are either haunted by the terrible brutality of war which remains in their psychology as a trauma. In other words, the novel's setting, characters, their involvement in fighting underscores traumatic vision. All major characters of the novel are fallen in traumatic circle.

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