

Chapter V

CLOSING

5.1 Conclusion

Based on the background described, it can be concluded that the decline in nationalism among adolescents, especially those aged 17–21, is caused by a lack of understanding of national history and the dominance of foreign cultures due to globalization. The limited knowledge of national heroes, such as Major General Sungkono, who played a crucial role in the Battle of Surabaya on November 10, 1945, demonstrates the need for innovation in conveying historical values and national defense to the younger generation.

Digital comics are a relevant and potential alternative for building historical awareness among teenagers. The high level of gadget use and adolescent interest in visual media such as digital comics, particularly through the Line Webtoon platform, presents a strategic opportunity for conveying educational messages. Therefore, creating a digital comic about the struggles of Major General Sungkono could be an effective medium for instilling patriotism and raising awareness of national defense among the younger generation, particularly in Surabaya.

5.2 Suggestions

It's crucial for teenagers to understand national history, particularly local struggles like the Battle of November 10th in Surabaya. By learning about heroes like Major General Sungkono, teenagers can foster a love for their country and increase their awareness of national defense in their daily lives.

Utilizing engaging and technologically advanced learning media, such as digital comics, can increase the effectiveness of conveying historical and national values contextually and in line with youth interests. With concrete support in the form of policies and facilities for the development of creative learning media, this can strengthen character education and expand the reach of historical information dissemination to the younger generation, particularly through easily accessible digital platforms.

This design is expected to serve as a reference in developing other forms of educational media tailored to the interests and needs of adolescents. The focus on an interactive and narrative approach is expected to increase the effectiveness of conveying historical messages and national values to the nation's future generations.