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The Academy of Language Studies, Universiti Teknologi MARA (UiTM) Kedah branch is proud to present the first issue of its e-magazine, The Epitome, as our focus to highlight our commitment to contribute to the areas of creative writing.

THE EPITOME aims to provide a platform for writers, educators, academicians, poet, and researchers to share their ideas, findings, knowledge, and experience, particularly on various creative writing genres - personal essays, poetry, short stories, songs, movie scripts, plays, and innovative projects in four different languages (English, Bahasa Melayu, Mandarin, and Arabic).

EDITOR'S NOTE

Dear readers,

It is with great pleasure and immense pride that we, the Academy of Language Studies at Universiti Teknologi MARA (UiTM) Kedah branch, extend our warmest welcome to all writers and readers to honor all 127 artistic masterpieces. This is indeed a tremendous achievement to commemorate our debut.

We are privileged to offer the platform for the writers to show their talents in creative writing in this magazine, which serves as a testament to our commitment to the area of personal essays, poetry, short stories, songs, movie scripts, plays, and innovative projects. Their invaluable contributions and unwavering commitment to academic excellence have played a vital role in shaping this magazine.

Thank you.

Best regards,

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Kasut kita tidak sama
Percayalah..
Kasut kamu mungkin luas,
Kasut aku mungkin sempit,
Sempit sampai tersepit,
Jadi aku berjalan terkepit kepit,

Kasut kita tidak sama,
Percayalah..
Kasut kamu mungkin besar,
Kasut aku mungkin kecil,
Koyak dan terumpil,

Lalu kamu mahu bandingkan bila terampil?

Kasut kita tidak sama,
Percayalah..
Kasut kamu mungkin cantik,
Kasut aku mungkin buruk
Lusuh dan teruk,
Sampai terasa jauh ke dalam lubuk,
Lubuk hati yang paling tersorok,

Kasut kita tidak sama,
Percayalah..
Kasut kamu mungkin rapi,
Kasut aku mungkin compang,

Sehingga aku berjalan tempang

Sudahlah tempang, terjatuh pula ke dalam
longkang,

Di bawa arus gelombang,

Kasut kita tidak sama,
Percayalah..

Kasut kamu mungkin diperbuat daripada kulit,
Kasut aku mungkin daripada kanvas sulit,
Dengan tali panjang berbelit belit,
Dan kotoran banyak tercalit,
Sehingga ramai yang melihat terasa pelik,

Kasut kita tidak sama,
Percayalah..
Kasut kamu mungkin mahal,
Kasut aku mungkin murah,
Tidak selesa berjalan, habis kakiku berdarah,

Tapi begitulah,
Aku masih perlu melangkah.

Hal ini, yang aku ceritakan,
Bukan lah untuk mencari alasan,
Bukan juga meminta ehsan,
Cuma untuk kau dengar dan fahamkan,

Kalau kau memilih benci juga,
Maka bencilah aku seadanya,

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Maka silakan berbahasa menghiris,

Aku tidak perlu memperbetulkan pandangan-
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