

**NILAI BUDAYA BAHASA  
RITUAL PERANG TANDING PADA ETNIK LAMAHOT  
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*Abstract*

*Cultural perceptions and values act as a guide to the behavior of a community. This is explained in this article in which the spotlight is focused on a description of the duel ritual among the Lamahot people.*

*Based on the concept that culture and language are linked, this article contains an explanation of the perceptions of the Lamahot people towards the duel and the cultural values which are implied in the story of the ritual. The Lamahot people view the duel as a mechanism for proving one real self. This is closely connected to the cultural value which is contained in the story of the duel ritual. The cultural values that are implied are: self-awareness, justness as a foundation for humanity, and a belief in the role of the ancestors.*

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