

CHAPTER V

CONCLUSION

The research discusses English noun phrases. It focuses on three problems namely, the patterns of English noun phrases in relation to structures of modification and the categories as well as the forms of modifiers in English noun phrases.

This research is descriptive in nature. It involves the following steps: collecting, classifying, and analyzing the data. The source of the data is the English novel *Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows* written by J. K. Rowling. The population of this research is all of the sentences containing noun phrases within them. To obtain the sample, this research applies total sampling.

The analysis method applied to describe the patterns of English noun phrases in relation to structures of modification is expansion technique. While, to show the categories as well as the forms of the modifiers in English noun phrases, expansion technique is also used.

In terms of its pattern, a noun phrase may be of modifier – head (M – H), of head – modifier (H – M), and of modifier – head – modifier (M – H – M). Besides, due to its category, modifier may be a noun, a verb, an adjective, an adverb, or a function word. Meanwhile, in relation to its form, modifier may be a word, a phrase, or a clause.

The data analysis shows that in terms of its pattern, the most common pattern of English noun phrases is M – H. While, the least common pattern of

English noun phrases is H – M. Besides, due to its category, a function word is the most common noun modifier. Meanwhile, an adverb is the least common noun modifier. Further, in relation to its form, modifier may be a word, a phrase, or a clause. Modifier in the form of word may be simple, compound, or complex in nature. A simple word is the most common noun modifier. Meanwhile, a compound word is the least common noun modifier. Next, modifier in the form of phrase may be a noun phrase, a verbal phrase, an adjective phrase, or a prepositional phrase. In this case, the prepositional phrase is the most common noun modifier. Meanwhile, the adjective phrase is the least common noun modifier. Furthermore, the data analysis shows that there is no gerund phrase functioning as noun modifier. Then, modifier in the form of clause may be an adjective clause and a noun clause. Functioning as modifier of a noun, the adjective clause is the most common noun modifier. Meanwhile, the noun clause is the least common noun modifier.

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