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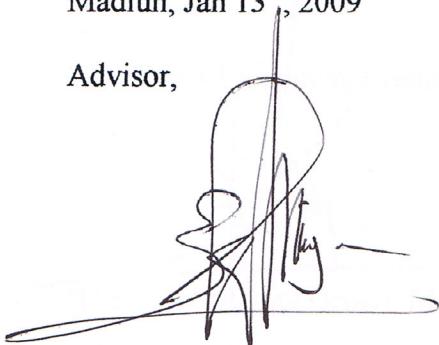
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ABSTRACT

WIDORINI (2009). AN ANALYSIS OF FREQUENCY ADVERBS IN ENGLISH.

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An Analysis of Frequency Adverb in English is chosen as the title of this research. This research is aimed to solve the problems discussed. They are the structure of frequency adverb in English and the use of frequency adverbs in English.

The researcher applies descriptive method to conduct this research. This method consists of some steps, they are collecting the data, classifying data, and analyzing data. While, in analyzing data this research applied two technique. They are expansion technique and repetition technique. Expansion technique is applied this research to describe the structure of *frequency adverbs*. While, repetition technique is to describe the used of frequency adverbs in English. The last step of this research, the writer makes a conclusion concerning to this research.

The data of this research are taken from *Time Magazine* edition of January up to June 2006. They are in the sentences form which have frequency adverb in it. Meanwhile, the structure of frequency adverb in English that the researcher finds, are the structure of frequency adverb *sometimes* which consists of *sometimes + S + P*, *S + sometimes + P*, and *S + P + sometimes*, the structure of frequency adverb *always* which consists of *S + always + P*, the structure of frequency adverb *usually* that consists of *S + usually + P*, the structure of frequency adverb *rarely* which consists of *S + rarely + P*, the structure of frequency adverb *often* that consists of *S + often + P*, the structure of frequency adverb *never* that consists of *S + never + P*, and the structure of frequency adverb *seldom* that consists of *S + seldom + P*.

Besides, the researcher explains about the use of adverb frequency in English. Those adverb frequency consists of *sometimes*, showing the something happens irregularly, *always* showing the activity that happens in a certain time, *usually* showing the activity that is done so often but not full in intensity, *rarely* showing the activity that happens not very frequently or so low in frequency, *often* showing something happens nearly much in frequency but it is not full, *never* is the activity that never happens, and *seldom* is something that happens so limited.

ABSTRAK

WIDORINI (2009). AN ANALYSIS OF FREQUENCY ADVERBS IN ENGLISH.

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An Analysis of Frequency Adverb in English dipilih sebagai judul penelitian ini. Penelitian ini dimaksudkan untuk memecahkan masalah-masalah yang dibahas, antara lain struktur frekuensi adverb dalam Bahasa Inggris dan penggunaan frekuensi adverb dalam Bahasa Inggris.

Penulis menerapkan metode deskriptif untuk menjalankan penelitian ini. Metode ini terdiri atas beberapa langkah, diantaranya mengumpulkan data, mengklasifikasi data, dan menganalisis data. Dalam menganalisis data, peneliti menerapkan dua teknik yaitu teknik perluasan dan teknik pengulangan. Teknik perluasan diterapkan dalam penelitian ini untuk menggambarkan struktur frekuensi adverb. Sedangkan teknik pengulangan menggambarkan penggunaan frekuensi adverb dalam Bahasa Inggris. Langkah terakhir dari penelitian ini, penulis membuat simpulan mengenai penelitian ini.

Data penelitian ini diambil dari Time Magazine. Data tersebut dalam bentuk kalimat yang memiliki frekuensi adverb didalamnya. Sementara itu, dalam menganalisis data dan permasalahan, penulis menemukan struktur frekuensi adverb dalam bahasa Inggris, yaitu struktur frekuensi adverb sometimes yang terdiri atas sometimes + S + P, S + sometimes + P, dan S + P + sometimes, struktur frekuensi adverb always yang terdiri atas S + always + P, struktur frekuensi adverb usually yang terdiri atas S + usually + P, struktur frekuensi adverb rarely yang terdiri atas S + rarely + P, struktur frekuensi adverb often yang terdiri atas S + often + P, struktur frekuensi adverb never yang terdiri atas S + never + P, dan struktur frekuensi adverb seldom yang terdiri atas S + seldom + P.

Selain itu, penulis menjelaskan tentang frekuensi penggunaan frekuensi adverb dalam bahasa Inggris. Frekuensi adverb tersebut terdiri dari sometimes yang menunjukkan sesuatu terjadi secara tidak beraturan, always menunjukkan kegiatan yang dilakukan begitu sering tetapi tingkat intensitasnya tidak penuh, rarely menunjukkan kegiatan yang terjadi tidak sangat sering atau sangat rendah frekuensinya, often menunjukkan sesuatu terjadi hamper sangat banyak frekuensinya tetapi tidak penuh, never adalah kegiatan yang tidak pernah terjadi, dan seldom adalah sesuatu yang terjadi sangat terbatas.

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