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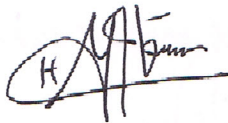
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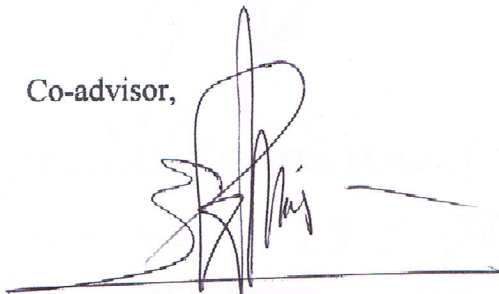
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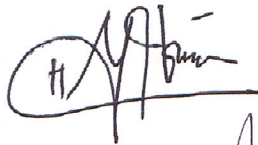
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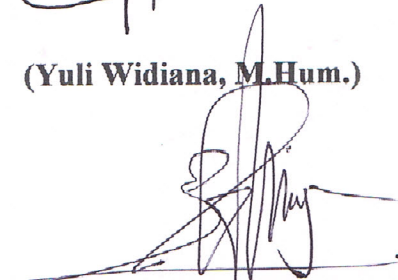
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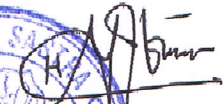


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ABSTRACT

DESY ROSITA SARI (2009). A STUDY ON STRUCTURES OF MODIFICATION USED IN *TIME* MAGAZINE.

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The researcher discusses the structure of modification which is one of the English syntactic structures. Structure of modification has two immediate constituents, that is, head and modifier. In analyzing the structure of modification, the researcher determines (1) the form and (2) the category of head and modifier. Head and modifier have various forms and categories. Due to their form, head and modifier may be words, phrases, and clauses. Meanwhile, according to their category, head and modifier may be nouns, verbs, adjectives, adverbs, and function words.

This research is descriptive in nature, so the data here are collected, classified, and interpreted in order to draw a conclusion. The source of the data are taken from the texts of "Essay" column in *Time* magazine of June 9 and 23, 2008. The population is 134 structures of modification and all of the population used as sample. The analysis technique used is expansion technique, that is a way the addition of other elements into the existing ones to expand the original sentences.

The data analysis shows that heads in the form of word are 20 in number (15%) including 8 simple words, 3 compound words, and 9 complex words. Next, heads in the form of phrases are 16 in number (12%). They include 9 noun phrases, 6 verb phrases, and 1 adjective phrase. But, the researcher does not find any structure of modification whose head is adverb phrase and prepositional phrase. Further, heads in the form of clauses are 9 in number (7%), which are main clauses. While, modifiers in the form of word are 14 in number (10%) including 9 simple words, 1 compound word, and 4 complex words. Then, modifiers in the form of phrase are 18 in number (13%). They include 1 noun phrase, 2 verbal phrases, 1 adjective phrase, 1 adverb phrase, and 13 prepositional phrases. Next, modifiers in the form of clause are 7 in number (5%) including 2 adjective clauses and 5 adverb clauses. The researcher also finds that 23 in number (17%) the category as head. They are 10 nouns as head, 7 verb(al) as head, 5 adjectives as head, and 1 adverb as head. But, the researcher does not find structure of modification whose head is function words. Furthermore, the category as modifier is 27 in number (20%). They are 4 nouns as modifier, 3 verbal as modifier, 10 adjective as modifier, 7 adverb as modifier, and 3 function words as modifier.

ABSTRAK

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Dalam penelitian ini penulis membahas struktur modifikasi yang merupakan salah satu struktur sintaksis dalam Bahasa Inggris. Struktur modifikasi mempunyai dua elemen, yakni *head* dan *modifier*. Dalam mengkaji struktur modifikasi, penulis membahas (1) bentuk dan (2) kelas kata dari *head* dan *modifier*. *Head* dan *modifier* mempunyai bermacam-macam bentuk dan kelas kata. Berdasarkan bentuknya, *head* dan *modifier* terdiri atas kata, frasa, dan klausa. Sedangkan, berdasarkan kelas katanya, *head* dan *modifier* terdiri atas kata benda, kata kerja, kata sifat, kata keterangan, dan kata fungsi.

Penelitian ini menggunakan metode deskriptif dalam pengumpulan data, jadi data di kumpulkan, diklasifikasikan, dan dianalisis untuk mendapatkan sebuah kesimpulan. Sumber data berasal dari teks kolom "Essay" di majalah *Time* edisi juni 9 dan 23, 2008. Populasinya berjumlah 134 struktur modifikasi dan semua populasinya digunakan sebagai contoh. Teknik yang digunakan untuk menganalisis data adalah ekspansi teknik, yakni sebuah cara penambahan elemen tambahan kedalam sebuah elemen untuk memperluas kalimat yang asli.

Berdasarkan hasil analisis data, terdapat 20 (15%) yang berdasarkan bentuknya, *headnya* berupa kata yang terdiri atas 8 *simple words*, 3 *compound words*, dan 9 *complex words*. Selanjutnya, ada sejumlah 16 (12%) yang berdasarkan bentuknya, *headnya* berupa frasa, terdiri atas 9 frasa kata benda, 6 frasa kata kerja, dan 1 frasa kata sifat. Meski demikian, dalam penelitian ini penulis tidak menemukan data yang *headnya* berupa frasa kata keterangan dan frasa berkata depan. Ada sejumlah 9 (7 %) yang *headnya* berupa klausa, yaitu *main clause*. Sementara itu, *modifier* yang berdasarkan bentuknya berupa kata berjumlah 14 (10%) yang terdiri atas 9 *simple words*, 1 *compound word*, dan 4 *complex words*. Selanjutnya, *modifier* yang berdasarkan bentuknya berupa frasa berjumlah 18 (13%), yang terdiri atas 1 frasa kata benda, 2 frasa kata kerja, 1 frasa kata sifat, 1 frasa kata keterangan, dan 13 frasa berkata depan. Selanjutnya, *modifier* yang berdasarkan bentuknya berupa klausa berjumlah 7 (5%) yang terdiri atas 2 klausa kata sifat dan 5 klausa kata keterangan. Selain itu, penulis juga menemukan 23 (17%) yang menunjukkan bahwa berdasarkan kelas katanya 10 *head* termasuk kata benda, 7 *head* termasuk kata kerja, 5 *head* termasuk kata sifat, 1 *head* termasuk kata keterangan. Namun, penulis tidak menemukan data yang *headnya* berupa *function word*. Disamping itu, *modifier* yang ditemukan berupa kelas kata berjumlah 27 (20%). Rinciannya terdiri atas 4 kata benda, 3 kata kerja, 10 kata sifat, 7 kata keterangan, dan 3 *function word*.

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