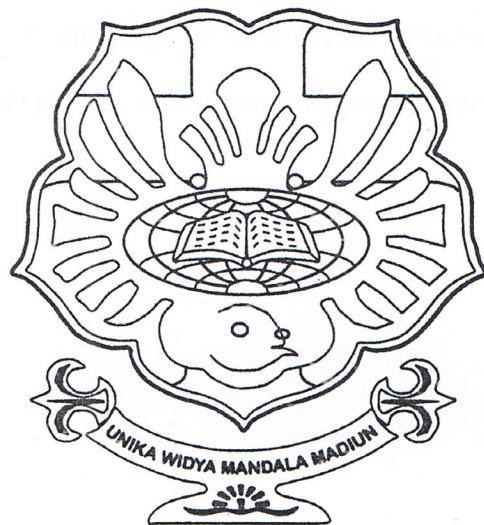


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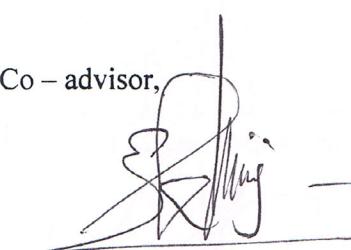
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ABSTRAK

Pada umumnya, kata dalam bahasa Inggris terbentuk dari unit-unit dasar yang disebut morfem. Ada dua macam morfem dalam bahasa Inggris, yakni morfem terikat dan morfem bebas. Morfem terikat bisa berbentuk morfem infleksi dan morfem derivasi. Morfem infleksi adalah morfem yang tidak pernah mengubah kelas kata, sedangkan morfem derivasi adalah morfem yang selalu mengubah kelas kata. Dalam penelitian ini, penulis hanya memfokuskan pokok bahasan pada morfem infleksi saja. Untuk mengetahui lebih dalam tentang morfem infleksi, peneliti hanya membahas tiga permasalahan saja yaitu jenis-jenis morfem infleksi, karakteristik morfem infleksi, dan proses morfologisnya.

Dalam penelitian ini, peneliti menggunakan metode penelitian deskriptif, karena metode ini dianggap paling sesuai untuk menganalisis permasalahan tersebut. Metode ini digunakan dengan tahapan mengumpulkan, mengklasifikasi, dan menganalisis data. Data yang digunakan dalam penelitian ini adalah morfem infleksi yang ditemukan dalam kata-kata yang disusun dalam kalimat. Data-data tersebut diambil dari novel yang berjudul *Oliver Twists* karangan Charles Dickens. Peneliti menggunakan sampel karena jumlah data yang diperoleh dalam penelitian ini adalah 228 morfem infleksi yang terdapat dalam 76 kalimat.

Hasil penelitian ini menunjukkan bahwa tidak semua data dapat mewakili permasalahan yang ada, misalnya tidak ada data yang mewakili jenis morfem gender. Untuk lebih jelasnya persentase dari hasil analisis yang diperoleh adalah sebagai berikut: *third person singular morpheme* 2 (0,88%), *past tense morpheme* 130 (57,02%), *past participle morpheme* 20 (8,77%), *progressive morpheme* 2 (0,88%), *plural morpheme* 57 (25%), *possessive morpheme* 9 (3,95%), *comparative morpheme* 3 (1,32%), *superlative morpheme* 5 (2,19%), dan *morpheme of gender* 0 (0%).

ABSTRACT

Generally, the English word is formed by the smallest meaningful unit parts of utterance which are called morphemes. There are two kinds of morphemes in English. They are bound morpheme and free morpheme. Bound morpheme may be inflectional or derivational in nature. Inflectional morpheme is a morpheme that never changes the class of base to which it is attached, while derivational morpheme is a morpheme that usually but not always changes the class of base to which it is attached. In this research, the researcher focuses on inflectional morphemes only. In order to get better understanding about inflectional morphemes, this study just picks out three aspects to discuss, namely, the kinds of inflectional morpheme, the characteristics of inflectional morpheme, and the morphological processes undergone by the words where the inflectional morpheme exists.

To conduct this research, the researcher used descriptive method because this method is regarded more suitable with the problems of this research. This method is used with some steps: collecting, classifying, and analyzing the data. The data of this research are inflectional morphemes found in words. The words intended are arranged in the form of sentences. The data are taken from the novel *Oliver Twists* written by Charles Dickens. In doing this research, the researcher applies total sampling, because the total number of the data is only 228 morphemes in 76 sentences.

The result of this research shows that some of the problems are not found in the data, such as morpheme of gender. Moreover, the percentage of the use of inflectional morphemes is as follows: third person singular morpheme 2 (0,88%), past tense morpheme 130 (57,02%), past participle morpheme 20 (8,77%), progressive morpheme 2 (0,88%), plural morpheme 57 (25%), possessive morpheme 9 (3,95%), comparative morpheme 3 (1,32%), superlative morpheme 5 (2,19%), and morpheme of gender 0 (0%).

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