CHAPTER V

CONCLUSION

This study discusses the use of English noun suffixes found in the English magazine *Holland Horizon*. There are three points of analysis here, namely: the kinds, the meanings, and the degrees of productivity of those noun suffixes. The total number of noun suffixes as the data of this research is 120.

Noun suffixes are suffixes attached to verb, adjective, or noun to form a noun. Some noun suffixes may be attached only to verb such as agreement, adoption, while some others may be attached only to adjective such as happiness, politeness. However, a few noun suffixes may be attached to noun or adjective such as kingdom, freedom. Moreover, some noun suffixes are very productive in noun formation processes, while some others are less productive.

Based on their kinds, English noun suffixes can be classified into three parts, they are noun suffixes which are attached to noun, such as --ance/-ence, -ant/-ent, -al, -ation, -er/-or, -ing, -ment, -ure, and -y; noun suffixes which are attached to adjective, such as -dom, -ity, -ness, -ster, -th, and -ty; noun suffixes which are attached to noun, such as -age, -cy, -dom, -ing, -ism, -ist, -scape, -ship, and -logy.

In this research, the researcher finds 23 kinds of noun suffixes which are attached to verb, adjective, or noun. Moreover, the percentage of the use of the 23 noun suffixes is as follows: suffix -ship 7 (5,83%), suffix -age 4 (3,33%), suffix -cy 3 (2,50%), suffix -scape 1 (0,83%), suffix -er/-eer 15

(12,50%), suffix –ist 5 (4,16%), suffix –ing 10 (8,33%), suffix –ation/-tion 31 (25,83%), suffix –ity 6 (5%), suffix –or 3 (2,50%), suffix –ent/-ant 3 (2,50%), suffix –ness 4 (3,33%), suffix –dom 2 (1,66%), suffix –ster 1 (0,83%), suffix –ure 1 (0,83%), suffix –ism 1 (0,83%), suffix –ance/-ence 7 (5,83%), suffix –ment 8 (6,66%), suffix –al 3 (2,50%), suffix –th 1 (0,83%), suffix –logy 2 (1,66%), suffix –y 1 (0,83%), and suffix –ty 1 (0,83%). The meanings of those noun suffixes are as the following: action 9, state 4, condition 3, quality 3, person who 3, house of 1, science 1, a doer or performer 1, view of 1. Consequently, among those noun suffixes, the most productive usage is –ation/-ion (31 or 25,83%).

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