

CHAPTER I

INTRODUCTION

This chapter will present an introduction containing research context, research focuses, research objectives, significance of study, definition of key terms, previous study and review related literature.

A. Research Context

Language is a major instrument used by the creatures in this world for communication. Humans used language to communicate each other. Many people assume that animals also used language for their communication. Actually, animals do not have language to communicate but they used instinct, sound and gesture. It is appropriate with the statement of Stefanie Jannedy and friends in *Language Files* book that animals communicate each other in systems called signal code.¹ In other hand, humans in this world used many kinds of language depend on their place, territory, nationality and their country. So every place has their language style and undeniable that there are many languages as many territories and countries in this world. For example, Indonesia country used Indonesian language and Indonesia itself has many provinces and territories within it that used different language in every place just like

¹Stefanie Jannedy, Robert Poletto, and Tracey L. Weldon, *Language Files*, Sixth Edition (Columbus: Ohio State University press, 1994), 20.

Java used Javanese. And including from a wide variety of language is English.

As we know that English is international language, means that English is widely used on the world side. Because language is media of interaction with society, it means that language and society have relationship. It can be called as Sociolinguistics. Sociolinguistics is a study that explains about sociology and linguistics. One of examples of the possible relationship between society and language is like Ronald Wardaugh states that social structure may either influence or determine linguistics structure and behavior.² It shows an example like young children's way to speak will different with adult. In English, it also occurs related with sociolinguistics. Generally, in the usage of language, there are some rules that make the user of language called as a good speaker. It obtains in English language. Usually a good speaker will know the way he or she communicate and interact with other people well. Theoretically, a good speaker will master grammar, pronunciation, sentence structure, compatibility of meaning and others whereas in social interaction especially in communication, using politeness in language is something important too. The way speakers speak will show their behavior. In doing communication, human beings must be able to choose a good word to say, can distinguish who they are talking to and the condition at the time. There are several people who have a bad habit to say dirty words in their

²Ronald Wardaugh, *An Introduction to Sociolinguistics*, Fifth Edition (United Kingdom: Backwell Publishing, 2006), 10.

speaking, moreover when they in a bad condition and feelings because these can influence the speaker in producing words and language.

The using of language and good words choice has the important role in daily life. People in different country and certain area have different culture in their activity especially on how they interact with society. There are some places which upholding the decency in language and acting. Politeness or being polite in such context involves knowing how to express a range of speech functions in a culturally appropriate way.³ Uttering impolite words may be considered taboo and disrespectful to others. On the contrary, there are some places which consider that the usage of dirty words or impolitely speaking in daily life is common phenomenon today. Majority of the residents are use dirty words to express their feelings and emotions. The terms of dirty words can be found as taboo words, swearing, profanity, oaths, foul language, blasphemy, curses and others.

There are some verses of Al-Qur'an refer to the use of dirty words or bad language, one of it is the one hundred and forty eight of An-Nisa' chapter:

لَا يُحِبُّ اللَّهُ الْجَهْرَ بِالسُّوءِ مِنَ الْقَوْلِ إِلَّا مَنْ ظَلِمَ ۗ وَكَانَ اللَّهُ سَمِيعًا عَلِيمًا. (١٤٨)

“Allah does not like bad words, (Spoken) openly except by those who are wronged. And Allah is All-Hearing, All-Knowing.”

Another one is the first verse of Al-Humazah:

³Janet Holmes, *An Introduction to Sociolinguistics*, Fourth Edition (New York: Routledge, 2013), 293.

وَيْلٌ لِّكُلِّ هُمَزَةٍ لُّمَزَةٍ^(١)

“Woe to every corner and detractor!”

The prohibition of using bad language or dirty words is also supported by Hadith:

Al Imam At-Tirmidzi narrated in his sunnah, Rasulullah SAW said:

مَا شَيْءٌ أَثْقَلُ فِي مِيزَانِ الْمُؤْمِنِ يَوْمَ الْقِيَامَةِ مِنْ خُلُقٍ حَسَنٍ وَإِنَّ اللَّهَ لَيُبْغِضُ الْفَاحِشَ
الْبِذْيَاءَ

“Verily, there is nothing is that heaviest in the weight of goodness of Mukminon the Resurrection like a noble morality or Akhlaq, and truly (really) Allah hates those whose tongue are dirty and harsh.”⁴

“Dirty” words commonly used in some conditions such as anger, disappointed, insinuation, mocking instead in habitual daily expression. Some people use “Dirty” words when they want to express their feeling in the real life. Either it is adult, teenager or even children. Moreover in this millennial era, impolite language included “Dirty” words become a trend style in communication. This habit can influence children or young generations to ignore politeness especially in communication with society. The digital era nowadays also have bad impact to young generations dealing with bad language. More of them imitate something popular in social media such as Instagram, Facebook, Twitter, Film or Movies, etc. Those provide some photos, videos, texts that possibly contain of dirty

⁴<https://dalamislam.com/akhlaq/larangan/larangan-berkata-kasar-dalam-islam> retrieved on 02 May 2021 at 23:04

words. Included to this digital era, something that has attracted much attention is movie. In watching movie, people can get the advantages and disadvantages of the movie.

One of famous movies is Sherlock Holmes. It is one of Hollywood movies which provide British English as their conversations. It is a detective movie in which starred by Benedict Cumberbatch as Sherlock Holmes and Martin Freeman as Dr. John Watson. Sherlock Holmes movie provided in four seasons and each season consist of three episodes. Each episode presents different case that will be solved by Sherlock Holmes as the consulting detective with his partner Dr. John Watson. In this movie, it is not impossible to find some “Dirty” words uttered by the characters. In this study, the researcher will analyze the using of “Dirty” words on the movie. The researcher chooses this movie because this is a detective movie. It presents some confusing conversations like detective’s style in speaking. As the college students, it may increase our intelligent running during watching this movie because of the conversations itself. While viewers can get the advantage of watching this movie, the characters within it commonly uttered the bad words that give a bad influence to the viewers.

The researcher has found the similar study related with this research, on Vivi Cristiani Katoppo’s thesis journal entitled “*Profanity dalam Film 21 Jump Street*”. Her study was focused on profanity analysis which is part of the “Dirty” words. It means that Vivi’s research has the

same variable with this research but it also has difference exactly on the object of her study. Vivi conducted her study on *21 Jump Street* movie. She used the theory of Jay (1992) and Staley (1978) dealing with the profanity.⁵The result shows that there are 31 types of profanity and 19 kinds of expressions produced based on the situation of the dialogues. Another similar research is thesis of Melisa DyahParasayu entitled “*Politeness Strategies Used by The Main Character of Sherlock Holmes A Games of Shadow Movie*”.⁶The research discuss about Sherlock Holmes movie which also used in this study. The main point is also the same because Dyah’s research describe about politeness strategies. It has related to this study dealing with the politeness itself because this focus on analyzing “Dirty” words used on Sherlock Holmes movies. Politeness and the usage of “Dirty” words absolutely have a connection but Dyah’s research describe on how the main character of Sherlock Holmes movies performed Face-Threatening Acts (FTA) and the purpose of doing FTA while this research just focus on describing the use of “Dirty” words and classifying to the types and the usage of it agree with the situation. The result of Dyah’s research shows that negative face ranked the first for 86 times and positive face ranked the second for 25 times.

As the researcher stated above related to the phenomenon nowadays including the “Dirty” words and movie as one of electronic

⁵ViviCristianiKatoppo, “ProfanitiDalam Film 21 Jump Street” (Manado, Universitas Sam Ratulangi, 2016).

⁶Melisa DyahParasayu, “Politeness Strategies Used by The Main Character of Sherlock Holmes A Games of Shadow Movie” (UniversitasBrawijaya, 2014).

media in this digital era which has a considerable influence in the life of society, the researcher interests to conduct this research entitled “**Sherlock Holmes Movies: An Analysis of “Dirty” Words Types and Usage**”

B. Research Focuses

John W. Creswell stated that research problems are educational issues, controversies, or concerns that guide the need for conducting a study.⁷ Every research will have problem to be investigated. The researcher has target and focus that come from the problem itself in his or her study. It will cause some questions to be answered and discussed in the research. Based on the theory, the questions to be answered in this research are as follows:

1. What are the “Dirty” words that found on Sherlock Holmes movies?
2. What are the types of “Dirty” words used on Sherlock Holmes movies?
3. How do the “Dirty” words used on Sherlock Holmes movies?

C. Research Objectives

The other term of research objectives is research purpose or the aim of the study. Research objectives or research purpose id relatively in short statement that describes the objectives of the research that have been planned. Explaining the reason of why the investigation is undertaken and

⁷John W. Creswell, *Educational Research* (Boston: Pearson Education, 2012), 59.

what its potential significance is.⁸ By the research focuses decided, the researcher investigates the research objectives are as follows:

1. To know what are the “Dirty” words that found on Sherlock Holmes movies.
2. To describe what are the types of “Dirty” Words on Sherlock Holmes movies.
3. To know the use of “Dirty” words on Sherlock Movies.

D. Significance of Study

This part explain the use and the importance of the research, either it is scientific or social significance. Scientific significance is for science development. While social significance is directed as a step in solving social problems. In other words, this section contains the reasons of expediency for the research problem.⁹ It means that significance of study is statement that contains the benefit of conducting this research for other. There are two significances which occur in this study. Both of them are as follow:

1. Theoretically

Theoretically, by conducting this research, the researcher hopes that this study will gives some benefits and information for the researcher and the readers so that they can improve the ability and increase the

⁸Zoltan Dornyei, *Research Methods in Applied Linguistics* (USA: Oxford University Press, 2007), 73.

⁹Tim Penyusun, *Pedoman Karya Tulis Ilmiah* (Pamekasan: IAIN Madura, 2020), 19.

knowledge in practicing research. And hopefully this research can give a contribution to the readers in linguistics development. The researcher also hopes that other people can get new information about some references used in this research and make them easier to get it.

2. Practical Significance

a. For English learners

Learners have more information of the using of dirty words in English and make their intellectual activity work not only in study but also in watching film.

b. For Researcher

The researcher can get new knowledge about “Dirty” and start to identify the utilizing of “Dirty” words on English movies so that the researcher can develop his or her competence in language and vocabularies especially profanity itself.

c. For readers

This research can give readers some information. It can help them if they want to conduct further research related with this study.

E. Definition of Key Terms

The terms that must be explained in this part are terms related the main concepts of the research.¹⁰ This part is available to make the readers easy

¹⁰Tim Penyusun, 19.

to understand the meaning of variable stated in the title of this research.

The researcher will define the key terms as follows:

1. “Dirty” Words

“Dirty” words is an expression that indicate to the impolite language or bad language used in communication. There are some words that refer to misappropriation language and make the impolite sense in society. “Dirty” words usually used in bad conditions. It like expressed when someone felt angry or annoyed.

2. Sherlock Holmes movies

Sherlock Holmes is one of Hollywood movies that used British English in the conversation. It is including to detective movies which solve some cases in every episode. There are four seasons of this movie and each season contains of three episodes. Different episode provide different case to be solved by Sherlock Holmes the consulting detective and his partner Dr. John Watson. They are as the main character of this movie. The researcher only takes one season consisting episode 1 and 2 to be the object of this study.

F. Previous Study

The researcher has found the similar study related this research on ViviCristianiKatoppo’s thesis journal entitled “*Profanity dalam Film 21 Jump Street*”.¹¹ The same point of this research is the same focus on

¹¹Katoppo, “Profaniti Dalam Film 21 Jump Street.”

analysis of profanity which is one of part of “Dirty” words while the difference is the object of analyzing the using of profanity itself. Vivi’s research conduct the research on *21 Jump Street* movie but this research conducted on *Sherlock Holmes* Movie. The results show that Vivi has found 31 types of profanity words and 19 kinds of feeling expressions when the characters of 21 Jump Street movie uttered the profanity. The 31 types itself mean the statement of profanity uttered by the characters on the movie.

The second study related with this research which has found by the researcher is Erai Safira Puspita on her thesis entitled “Swear Words Spoken by The Characters of How I Met Your Mother-Season 1”.¹²The research has the same variable with this research. It is the study of swear words. Swear word is the term of “Dirty” word which commonly used in the title of thesis and research. But there is the difference of her research with this study. It is focus on the object itself. Erai conducted her research on How I Met Your Mother movie while in this research focus on Sherlock Holmes movie. The result of Erai’s study is swearing become a habit of the characters in How I Met Your Mother movie. The characters use it to express their emotions. Both of researches are different not only on the object. This research has wider discussion about the variable. So the researcher not only focuses on swear word but also the other terms of “Dirty” words which swearing is also included in it.

¹²EraiSafiraPuspita, “Swear Words Spoken by The Characters of How I Met Your Mother-Season 1” (UniversitasBrawijaya, 2014).

Another research related with this study also found by the researcher on a journal written by Maria and Katharina entitled “Male and Female Attitudes towards Swear Words: A Case Study at Binus International School”.¹³ The research has the same point by this study, that is analyzing the usage of swear words which is the part of dirty words. But the research also has significant differences. Maria and Katharina conducted the research to investigate the using of swear words by looking at the attitudes of students of Binus International School based on gender male and female in the real life while this study conducted on fiction characters of Sherlock Holmes movies by the wider discussion because this study is discuss about “Dirty” words generally. The result of Maria and Katharina’s research is the students of Binus International School utter swear words to release stress and express intense emotions and male students are used more swear words that are associated with sexuality than female students.

G. Review of Related Literature

According to Creswell, a literature review is a written summary of journal articles, books, and other documents that describe the past current state of information on the topic of your research study, it is also organizes the literature into subtopics, and the documents the need for a purposed

¹³Maria Fe S. Nicolau and Katharina EndriatiSukamto, “Male and Female Attitudes towards Swear Words: A Case Study at Binus International School,” n.d., <http://kata.petra.ac.id>.

study.¹⁴ The review of theories in this research consist of definition of “Dirty” words, types of “Dirty” words, the usage of dirty words, Definition of Sherlock Holmes movies and the synopsis of it.

1. “Dirty” Words

a. Definition of “Dirty” words

“Dirty” words are expressions which indicate the impolite sense in language. According to Cambridge dictionary, Dirty word is a word which is connected with sex and considered offensive by many people.¹⁵ Many sources explaining “Dirty” words as a bad language, swearing, profanity and others. Literally, some terms of bad language or “Dirty” words such mentioned is in the same intended meaning, that is refer to impolite or offensive language which shows unreasonable language that should not be spoken, especially among the society.

Uttering “Dirty” words become common habit around the young generation nowadays because many kinds of social media can influence their social life style. People use dirty words as their wish in their communication. Sometimes people express dirty words in bad condition but sometimes not. They express dirty words when they feel speechless or surprised too. So, in this case, when we talked about “Dirty” words, logically the word “Dirty” is refers to “Bad” things. Usually, the bad things also used in bad

¹⁴Creswell. 8

¹⁵<https://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/english/dirty-word> accessed on 15 March 2020 at 21:26

condition but in the reality, in happy conditions, people also utter “Dirty” words.

Dirty words can be said as bad language, some people think bad language especially in English is talking about the mistake of structure or some elements in English language such as grammar, pronunciation, dialect and others. Like Edwin stated in his book that, “Some people think of regional or ethnic dialects as bad English. And people also identify bad English with a foreign accent or with English mixed with another language.”¹⁶ This explanation shows that bad language not only talk about “Dirty” words that already explained. According to Edwin, the word “Bad Language” and “Bad Words” are different. The same point of the focus of this research exactly “Dirty” word is truly the same with the explanation of *Bad Words* of Edwin’s book. The chapter of bad words explores the relativity of vocabulary choice. The words oneuses-proper or improper, coarse or polite-establish the tone of one’s language.¹⁷

b. Types of “Dirty” Words

The usage of dirty words on society frequently uttered without needing to focus on the specific types of use. Many people or even children produced dirty words generally. In producing language, speaker and listener are not only fitting the words grammatically or

¹⁶Edwin. L. Battistella, *Bad Language: Are Some Words Better than Others?*(New York: Oxford University Press, 2005), 4.

¹⁷Battistella, 68.

etymological categories but how the speaker and listener know the pragmatics of the usage of language itself or understand to the function in use.

There are some terms of “Dirty” words based on the function of it in communication. The term that often used and found in many studies and books is:

1) **Swearing**

When we talk about swearing, people will think two possibility meaning. The first meaning refers to promise and the second is refers to offensive language. It is appropriate with Ruth Wajnryb stated in his book “take the word “Swear”. For example, which itself has two very different meanings. There is swearing you do when you promise to tell the truth and there is swearing that you do at home when the kids have left dirty things on the hall carpet”.¹⁸ Geoffrey stated that, “Swearing is a perennial source of fascination for those interested in language and society, continuously provoking controversy and raising topical issues.”¹⁹ It means that the discussion about swearing is wide among society. The term of swearing here is focuses on the discussion of offensive language. Swearing include to taboo words. The word that is usually unacceptable in society. For the

¹⁸Ruth Wajnryb, *Expletive Deleted* (New York: Free Press, 2005), 16.

¹⁹Geoffrey Hughes, *An Encyclopedia of Swearing_The Social History of Oaths, Profanity, Foul Language, And Ethnic Slurs in The English-Speaking World* (Armonk, New York: M.E.Sharpe, 2006).

“high” violation of using swear words are involve the deity. For example, “*By God’s wounds*”, “*God Damn your eyes*” while the “low” violation of using swearing or taboo is invoking sexuality such as *Son of Bitch*, *fuck you!*, and other. Swearing included to foul language. It is general term of “Dirty” words. Some linguists decide the term swearing as the root of some “Dirty” word like profanity, blasphemy, obscenity and others.

Other terms of “Dirty” words according to Jay T. are following:²⁰

2) **Cursing**

It is originally from the word “Curse”. The word class of it can be verb and noun. The meaning of curse as a verb is to call upon divine or supernatural power to send injury upon. And the meaning of curse as noun is a prayer or invocation for harm or injury to come to one.²¹ Cursing is one of terms of bad language or dirty words which generally used and mostly appear around the society that involve to magic word. People believe that cursing has supernatural power to change something in this world. Cursing may not use foul language, it invokes the aid of higher being, more ritualistic and

²⁰Timothy Jay, *Cursing in America_A Psycholinguistic Study of Dirty Language in the Courts, in the Movies, in the Schooolyards and on the Streets* (Philadelphia/Amsterdam: John Benjamins Publishing Company, 1992), 1.

²¹Jay, 2.

deliberately articulated; it is future-oriented, built on an understanding that the effect may be delayed.²² For more religious sense, the curser usually utter cursing when curser intended to serious thing and uttered spontaneously and literally when the curser feeling an anger and disappointed. For example, “*Damn you!*”, “*I hope you die!*”

3) Profanity

Profanity is religious cursing.²³ Literally, profanity means swear word. According to Edwin, profanity is one of categories of offensive language.²⁴ Profane words are associated with something sacred. Sometimes it confusingly with the term *Blasphemy* because these two terms have the same intended meaning related to the religious thing. But profanity is wider than blasphemy, and the difference between profanity and blasphemy is profanity may be no intention to vilify. It may simply involve the use of religious terminology. For example, “*God*” and “*Jesus*”.²⁵

Talking about profanity, it has two class words; verb transitive and adjective. It becomes verb when profanity refers to the meaning to treat (something sacred) with abuse, irreverence, or contempt. And as adjective meaning is not

²²Wajnryb, *Expletive Deleted*, 17.

²³Battistella, *Bad Language: Are Some Words Better than Others?*, 72.

²⁴Battistella, 72.

²⁵Wajnryb, *Expletive Deleted*, 21.

concerned with religion or religious purposes: *secular*: not holy because unconsecrated, impure, or defiled: *unsanctified*.²⁶ Profanity is an expression of impolite language invoking with religion and god or deity. Sometimes people used profane words in daily life for trivial things such as “*Oh God, close the door!*”. It means that people easily to involve their god and religious terminology in secular and indifferent manner.

4) **Blasphemy**

As explained before in the point of profanity, there is a confusing meaning between profanity and blasphemy. Both of two terms are an expression of “Dirty” words which considered to the sacred thing or religious purpose. If profanity used in secular, blasphemy used more intend and serious to vilify religious terminology or deities. Like Geoffrey stated that “A distinction is often made between blasphemy and profanity on the grounds that blasphemy is more intentional, whereas profanity is more habitual”.²⁷ Blasphemy is not only expressed by language but also action and writing. Something involves disrespectful to god or religion is included to blasphemous. For example, “Burning a holy Qur’an” and “Worshipping the

²⁶Jay, *Cursing in America_A Psycholinguistic Study of Dirty Language in the Courts, in the Movies, in the Schoolyards and on the Streets*, 3.

²⁷Hughes, *An Encyclopedia of Swearing_The Social History of Oaths, Profanity, Foul Language, And Ethnic Slurs in The English-Speaking World*, 31.

devil” is blasphemy action. Using blasphemy may not get tolerance in society than profanity. Moreover, uttering blasphemous can consider punishment. It is claimed on Geoffrey statement “Blasphemy could attract the most severe punishments. Up to 1677 it was punishable by burning at the stake, and the death penalty remained in force in Scotland until 1825”.²⁸ This seriousness in the case of using blasphemy among society because blasphemy usually used not only for trivial things but it has deeply intention and direct insult to offend the deities, whereas profanity may not. The example of uttering blasphemy is “*Shit on what it says in the Bible!*”. This shows someone who ignore and insult the holy bible directly.

5) Taboo

According to Oxford Dictionary, taboo is something that is forbidden because of a strong religious or social custom.²⁹ Many things considered taboo among the society included cultural case. Usually old people are more sensitive about taboo. Jay T. stated that taboo operates to suppress or inhibit certain behavior, thoughts, or in this case, speech.³⁰ Taboo contains meaning as prohibition that unacceptable among the society. Sometimes old people believe something is taboo and

²⁸Hughes, 33.

²⁹Victoria Bull, “Oxford Learners Pocket Dictionary” (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2008), 451.

³⁰Jay, *Cursing in America_A Psycholinguistic Study of Dirty Language in the Courts, in the Movies, in the Schoolyards and on the Streets*, 4.

teach it for children because they consider the ancestor words and social custom. Taboo concerned with culture of the certain place. Usually, people have their own thing that has been admitted as taboo. It is appropriate with Jay T. stated that “Different cultures, in order to preserve social order, use taboos to control individuals within the group”.³¹

Actually every utterance concerned with “Dirty” words considered as taboo especially for impolite and disrespectful expressions to God and religions. Sometimes people cannot name the God directly moreover for trivial things, it considers taboo for certain culture. Geoffrey stated that “in several religions, such as Brahmanism, Judaism, and Islam, direct reference to the name of God is taboo but not for Christians.”³² Taboo is also obtained in action of people among the society. For example, in Madura culture, drinking beer is something taboo because it shows unacceptable behavior among the society.

6) Obscenity

Obscenity is an expression of “Dirty” words related to sexual nature. Uttering obscene words may consider disgusting sense. It sometimes directly says part of body. Obscene words are considered the most offensive and are rarely. If ever, used

³¹Jay, 4.

³²Hughes, *An Encyclopedia of Swearing_The Social History of Oaths, Profanity, Foul Language, And Ethnic Slurs in The English-Speaking World*, 462.

in public media.³³The examples of obscene words are: *Fuck, Motherfucker, Tits, Ass*. For the word *Fuck* is the most word frequently said in the real life among the society moreover young generation. Obscene word is something serious that is protected and restricted to be spoken. Even, there is an obscenity law that protects the listener from insulting language. Obscenity and backwardness took on a more serious connotation with notions of decadence and the lascivious lifestyle of medieval Muslim rulers.³⁴ It means that obscenity has significant impact if uttered commonly in communication because it contains of abhorrent to morality and disgusting for listeners.

7) **Vulgarity**

Vulgar refer to something rude and offend. Vulgarity means the language of the common person.³⁵ Expressions of vulgarity are usually uttered by people uneducated and unsocial. But it is not impossible when educated people also utter vulgarity when they want to express their emotions moreover anger expression. Vulgarity consider to crude expression. It is not necessary included to obscenity or taboo.

Literally, the word vulgar refers to impolite thing concerned

³³Jay, *Cursing in America_A Psycholinguistic Study of Dirty Language in the Courts, in the Movies, in the Schooolyards and on the Streets*, 5.

³⁴Charu Gupta, *Sexuality, Obscenity, Community* (New York: Palgrave, 2001), 37.

³⁵Jay, *Cursing in America_A Psycholinguistic Study of Dirty Language in the Courts, in the Movies, in the Schooolyards and on the Streets*, 6.

with body, but here vulgarism means that it is a reflection of crudeness language which usually found as the street language and used by common people. The examples of vulgarity are: *Bloody, Damn, Piss.*

8) Slang

According to Oxford Dictionary, Slang is very informal words and expressions used in spoken conversation especially used by a particular group of people.³⁶ In lexicography, most dictionaries agree that the word “Slang” may be defined as the restricted speech of marginal or distinct subgroups in society.³⁷ Only certain people that used slang expressions. Usually slang expression cannot be found in the dictionary. For English learners, when they found slang expression, they rather confused to know the meaning because slang is common expression that sometimes created by certain people.

Slang is easily observed among the teenager, musicians, drug users, even college students associations. They usually have their own terms for the code of the group used by the members and only members who can understand it. Jay, T. stated that, “Slang is a vocabulary that is developed in certain

³⁶Bull, “Oxford Learners Pocket Dictionary,” 415.

³⁷Elisa Mattiello, *An Introduction to English Slang: A Description in Morphology, Semantics and Sociology* (Polimetrica: International Scientific Publisher, 2008), 31.

sub-groups for ease of communication".³⁸ Certain people in group have an authority to change words. The words may consider abbreviation and vulgarity. Usually slang expressions are not used in standard communication. Slang produces in various effects such as humor, offensiveness, etc. which are not obtained by comparable familiar expressions.³⁹ Basically, slang is used to keep solidarity of group. Slang included to dirty words because sometimes the word that has been agreed in sub-groups is obtained bad language such as profanity, vulgarity even obscenity. For example, *Bitch*, *Bloody Hell*, *a beer belly*.

9) Epithets

Epithet is one of categories of offensive language. It is various types of slurs. It usually used in exclamatory words. Epithets may consider sobriquet for someone and it shows a disparagement. It is common used among young generation, moreover it often uttered between intimate people. Sometimes epithets used when someone felt depressed and frustration. People can find epithet many times in daily communication because Epithets often used as habitual in nature. Even in the conversation of English movies, many kinds of Epithets words uttered. Epithets are often objectionable on the theory that

³⁸Jay, *Cursing in America_A Psycholinguistic Study of Dirty Language in the Courts, in the Movies, in the Schoolyards and on the Streets*, 6.

³⁹Mattiello, *An Introduction to English Slang: A Description in Morphology, Semantics and Sociology*, 39.

words injure is more likely than polite language to cause breach of peace and thus ought to be restricted.⁴⁰ Epithets are brief but forceful bursts of emotional language. And it may also mark a sense of hostility.⁴¹ For example, when someone take a glass of water and suddenly he/she broke it, he/she says “*Damn!*”, it means by Epithets.

10) Scatology

According to *Webster’s Seventh New College Dictionary* on Timothy Jay’s book, the meaning of scatology as adjective is relating to excrement or scatology. It called as Scatological. Scatology as a noun is the study of excrement.⁴² Excrement means something waste processed by human. It may consider feces. Scatological terms are usually uttered by children. Sometimes uttering excrement for adult and children are different. Adult is more choose another terms for excrement in order to indirectly spoken and keep the pleasure of the listener than children. For example, when a mother said: “*The baby boy is getting poop*” then the little sister said: “*Mom, it is feces*”.

11) Insult and Slurs

Literally, insult and slurs have the same intended meaning. It is to treat someone with vanity and humiliation. Jay stated

⁴⁰Battistella, *Bad Language: Are Some Words Better than Others?*, 74.

⁴¹Jay, *Cursing in America_A Psycholinguistic Study of Dirty Language in the Courts, in the Movies, in the Schooolyards and on the Streets*, 7.

⁴²Jay, 8.

that both of these insult and slurs have a function to hurt the person directly through a particular word or phrase.⁴³ Insult and slurs may be used by adult or even children and also a certain group or community. According to Jay, some insult may use animal imagery, social deviation or it used based on abnormal physical of person or even their psychological. The example of using insult:

- a. Using animal imagery: *Dog, Pig, Son of Bitch*
- b. Using social deviation: *Gay, Homo, Slut, Bastard*
- c. Using abnormal Physical: *Fatty, Flat-nosed*
- d. Using abnormal psychological: *Stupid, dumb*
- e. Using social characteristic: *Liar, Wicked, Niggard*
- f. Using by certain community: *Nigger, Black*

Like the other “Dirty” words above, Insult and Slurs also used in various condition. Mostly used when people felt angry and for joking.

c. The Usage of “Dirty” Words

There are still many kinds of the terms of “Dirty” words that can be found in some references. Sometimes people will find one example of the term related to one type of “Dirty” words is also included to another types of it. As like the word “*Shit*” categorized as Epithets but also include to taboo words, profanity

⁴³Jay, 8.

or even blasphemy. It is appropriate with Timothy Jay's Statement that "Some expressions can be cross-categorized, that is, used in more than one way".⁴⁴The value of the classification of types is to make people easier to understand the language uttered dealing with "Dirty" word based on the function of each word. Moreover people have already understood that many kinds of "Dirty" words' types that commonly used in their communication are prohibited among society.

The usage of "Dirty" words among the society usually used in some conditions and feelings. Sometimes people utter "Dirty" words naturally as habit in daily life without feeling anything. People also utter "Dirty" words to express feeling of anger, threat, disappointed, annoyed, teasing and other bad conditions. Even, the uttering of "Dirty" words also involve in humorous situation. People express "Dirty" words for mocking intimate or just for joking without considering intended meaning. People can know the usage of the "Dirty" words' types by looking at the primer meaning of the words and the context of the language uttered. Knowing the usage of "Dirty" words is not only can be found in the real life, but also through a writing literature or movie.

⁴⁴Jay, 9.

2. Sherlock Holmes Movies

a. Definition of Sherlock Holmes Movie

Movie is an art of cinema film which has been produced by someone called producer. According to Cambridge Dictionary, movie is a film shown in a cinema or on television and often telling a story.⁴⁵ Movie is very attracted for people in this world, either children, teenager, adult, or old people. Western movie also becomes popular movie among the society. There are many movies produced in several genres. Sherlock Holmes movie is one of popular western movie which is used British English in the conversation. . Sherlock Holmes is a detective movie period 2009 based on the novel of Sherlock Holmes character created by Sir Arthur Conan Doyle. For the first novel was created on 1887. The film chosen was released in North America on 25 December 2009 and on 26 December 2009 in the UK, Ireland, the Pacific and the Atlantic. The film was also nominated for two Academy Awards, Best Original Score and Best Art Direction.⁴⁶

Sherlock Holmes is not only produced in one film with the same actor. There are some different actors who played Sherlock Holmes movie based on the time produced. The plot of the movie is still the same although many versions of Sherlock Holmes movie aired. It may only the modernity can influence the content without

⁴⁵<https://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/english/movie> accessed on 24 March 2020 at 08:15

⁴⁶[https://en.m.wikipedia.org/wiki/Sherlock_Holmes_\(2009_film\)](https://en.m.wikipedia.org/wiki/Sherlock_Holmes_(2009_film)) accessed on 24 March 2020 at 09:02

changing the unique characters of the movie. At 2010 up to 2017, Sherlock Holmes movie was provided Benedict Cumberbatch as Sherlock Holmes and Martin Freeman as Dr. John Watson. Both of them are the main character of the movie. Sherlock Holmes movie provided four seasons, each consisting three episodes. And each episode provided different mysterious cases that will be solved by Sherlock Holmes as a consulting detective and his partner Dr. John Watson.

Sherlock Holmes was located in London on 2009 or the 21st century. Related to this research, it is also something necessary to know the linguistic development at the time. Language development can occur internally and externally. Internally, language changes and development occur on the grammatical system while externally, language development occur on the changes of language because of the environment or the influence of other language. The influence of environment, it is also related to society. This can also discussed as Sociolinguistics. So, as explained before, that cultural aspect and social has the role of the usage of language. The evolution of English in the 15th century continues in England. In development, there are 3 periods in the historical of English period. They are Old English, Middle English

(1150-1500), Modern English (in the 19th century).⁴⁷ Sherlock Holmes movie which starred by Benedict Cumberbatch was released on 2009 or the 21st century. The English language used is modern English. It is also supported by modern technology. So, it is usual case that “Dirty” words also found in the movie.

b. The Synopsis of Sherlock Holmes Movie

1) Episode 1 (Study in Pink)

This episode tells about the first meeting of Sherlock Holmes and Dr. John Watson until they lived together as a partner in 221 B Baker Street. The case that faced by Sherlock is serial murder. What makes it strange is the sacrifice of the murder are died by suicide. Police and people are confused whether it is a murder case or suicide case. Three sacrifices died without left any code or clue but the last sacrifice was given a clue by writing a word “*Rache*” on the floor. All people included police presume that the word “*Rache*” is Germany word but Sherlock Holmes pretend that it is the word “*Rachel*”. The sacrifice name is Jennifer Wilson. She wears pink dress. Sherlock Holmes certain that she brought a suitcase before she die and he tries to find the suitcase. He also gets Wilson’s pink phone.

⁴⁷Ahmad Haryono, “Perubahan Dan Perkembangan Bahasa: Tinjauan Historis Dan Sociolinguistik,” 2011, 1.

In other place, Dr. John Watson meets someone who offer money to him and ask him to be a spy for Sherlock Holmes but Watson reject it. When John back to 221B, Sherlock asked him to send a message to Wilson's phone for getting information about the murderer. They are waiting for the murderer action in a restaurant. Sherlock sees a taxi and try to pursue it but the taxi's passenger is American people. They back to their flat where there is inspector Lestrade try to find a proof about the case. After that, Ms. Hudson tells Sherlock that there is a cabby waiting for him. The cabby takes Sherlock unknown place and talked each other. The cabby talks about the plan of murder and try to kill Sherlock too. John follows Sherlock and look for him. John sees that Sherlock will consume the medicine from the cabby. He tries to stop him but Sherlock does not hear John. Finally, John shoots the cabby before it happened.

2) Episode 2 (The Blind Banker)

Sebastian Wilkes asks Sherlock Holmes to help him for solving the case of bank piercing. There are some symbols left in the picture of banker that will be investigated by Sherlock. Sherlock realize that the message is purposed to someone. He finds it on the desk of Edward Van Coon. He tries to find Edward's flat and he get Edward died there. After that, Sherlock also finds Brian lukis died in his flat. In other place,

John looks for a job for getting safe finances. He applies for a job as a doctor. He meets a woman namely Sarah.

Then, Sherlock and John get the relationship between both sacrifices. Times run, Sherlock and John find the same symbol in some different places. Sherlock meets Soo Lin to get information about the symbol and apparently, the symbol is related to gangster from China “Black Lotus Tong”. John and Sarah getting a date for the first time to watch classic acrobatic and escapology whereas Sherlock tries to come in and find some proof dealing with the symbol. Finally, the gangster success to kidnap John and Sarah and try to kill them if they do not want to give what the gangster wants. John and Sarah do not understand what they want. Sherlock already got what the gangster purposed exactly the clasp of kingdom worth hundreds of millions. Sherlock tries to save John and Sarah and fight the gangster. Finally, the gangster fled.