

CHAPTER I

INTRODUCTION

In this chapter the researcher explain about research context, research focus, research objective, significance of research, scope and limitation, and definition of key terms.

A. Research Context

Language is important thing for human to communicate with others. According to Crystal a language is the systematic, conventional use of sounds, signs or written symbols in a human society for communication. ¹

In the modern era, there are many varieties of language that used human for communicate. One of varieties of language that famous used in this era is slang language.

According to Swan, slang is very informal kind of vocabulary used mostly in speech by people who know each other well. ²

Youths, usually use this kind of language in informal situation or place like home, school, university, market, and so on. Sometimes, they create new word from their own language and it can be understood only in their

¹John Algeo, *The Origin and Development of the English Language*, 6thed, (USA: Wadsworth, 2010), 6.

²Michael Swan, *Practical English Usage* (New York: Oxford University Press, 2006), 526.

community. This kind of language variety is designed to make speech more casual and playful. When they feel bored to use the common language, they need something new in speaking with other. In this case slang may be the answer of their need. They use slang to communicate freely. They create new word and they use it often and it becomes their daily language. Slang introduces the new word to enrich the language vocabularies as communicating the old word with the new meaning. Slang plays several functions for these youths.³ That slang word not only can be got from by created but also from social media and movie. Then, they used that slang to communicate with their friends.

Billy Elliot movie is a 2000 drama film produced by Greg Brenman and Jon Finn, and distributed by Universal Pictures and Focus Features, written by Lee Hall and directed by Stephen Daldry. The film is set in the northeast of England during a strike of British miners (1984-1985). The film stars Jamie Bell as an 11 years old Billy, Garry Lewis as his father who is a miner, Jamie Draven as Billy's older brother, and Julie Walters as a ballet teacher. In 2001, writer Melvin Burgess was assigned to write a film adaptation novel based Lee Halls's script. This story was adopted from the west end performance, musical Billy Elliot in 2005; this musical opened in Australia 2007 and Broadway in 2008.⁴

In Billy Elliot movie, there are many slang words that used by characters. Sometimes, people know the slang words or used one of them but

³Julie Coleman, *The Life of Slang*, (United Kingdom: Oxford University Press, 2012), 3.

⁴[http://id.m.wikiedia.org/wiki/Billy-Elliot-\(film\)](http://id.m.wikiedia.org/wiki/Billy-Elliot-(film))

majority of people just know and used the slang word but they don't know how that word formed, they don't know how the history from that slang words.

Based on this problem, the researcher wants to know how the slang words on Billy Elliot movie and how the process of slang word formed.

B. Research Focus

According to Adnan Latief, Research Focus or research problem refers to questions raised in a research projects which clearly reflects what kinds of answer is expected to be discovered through the process of research.⁵

Based on the research context above, the researcher formulates the research focus as below:

1. How are the slang words that found on Billy Elliot movie?
2. How are the word formation processes of slang language on Billy Elliot movie?

C. Research Objective

According to Creswell Research Objective is statement of intent for the study that declares specific goals the investigator to achieve in a study.⁶

⁵Muhammad Adnan Latief, *Research Methode on Language Learning an Introduction*, (Malang: State University of Malang Press, 2013), 16.

⁶John W. Creswell, *Educational Research At Fourth Edition* (Boston: Pearson Press.2012), 111.

It means that every researcher have a specific purpose from the research. Based on the research focus above, the researcher aim to:

1. To describe the slang words that found on Billy Elliot movie.
2. To describe the word formation process of English slang language on Billy Elliot movie.

D. Significance of The Research

Creswell state significance of the research explains the essential of research either in scientific or social aim. Scientific aim in developing knowledge whereas in social aim is guide as one of effort and step in solving social problem. The same word, this section involves the importance and deserve of problem that will be investigated.⁷

In this research the researcher has two significances of the research. As follows:

1. Theoretical Significant.

This research is expected to provide information to the student especially English Department about Slang language and how the word formation process of slang language.

⁷John W. Creswell, *Educational Research At Fourth Edition* (Boston: Pearson Press.2012), 627.

2. Practical Significances.

a. For The Researcher

From this research the researcher can be improve the knowledge in linguistic subject, especially Morphology and sociolinguistic subject, especially slang.

b. For The Students

From this research the students especially English Department can be easy to understanding in Linguistic subject and Sociolinguistic subject.

E. Scope and Limitation of Research

Scope is limited of variable on other variable in research, population or research subject, and research localization. It can also in explaining variable become sub variable espouse the indicators.⁸ in this research, the researcher focused on slang words that contained in Billy Elliot movie.

The limitation from this research is the researcher uses the theory of word formation process based on George Yule perspective.

⁸*Pedoman Penulisan Karya Tulis Ilmiah Edisi Revisi, Sekolah Tinggi Agama Islam Negeri (Pamekasan: STAIN PMK Press, 2015), 12.*

F. Definition of Key Terms

Key term is an alphabetical list of important terms or acronyms that you define, particularly ambiguous terms or those used in a special way.⁹

1. Word formation is a study about how the words were formed.
2. Slang is informal language that used by specific person in specific condition or community.
3. Movie is one of entertainment media.
4. Billy Elliot movie is a drama film produced by Greg Brenman and Jon Finn, and distributed by Universal Pictures and Focus Features, written by Lee Hall and directed by Stephen Daldry.

⁹<https://thesis.extension.harvard.edu/definition-terms>