

CHAPTER V

CLOSURE

A. Conclusion

Based on the interview session with 10 students about their experience in enhancing their English-speaking skill through watching English vlog revealed several key conclusions about the impact of this medium on language learning. This part was the conclusion that related to objective of the study to answer the research question:

1. Watching English vlogs significantly improved students' speaking skills.

The participants reported that the vlogs enriched their vocabulary, improved their fluency, and refined their pronunciation and intonation through exposure to natural speech patterns. The students also learned effective storytelling techniques, such as creating narratives and using engaging elements like humor and anecdotes. In addition, the vlogs boosted their confidence by providing relevant conversational language practice. Overall, English vlogs serve as an engaging and effective tool to complement traditional language learning methods.

2. The challenges faced by students when watching English vlogs. Many students struggled to understand cultural references and context, but they often replayed the videos to clarify. The fast pace of native speakers was another challenge, causing students to slow down the videos for better

comprehension. Most students have no problem remembering vocabulary, but some use strategies such as pausing to take notes or rewatching the content. Pronunciation can also be difficult due to fast speech and strong accents, but students see this as an opportunity to improve their skills. These findings also showed a strong consensus among participants that British accents, especially regional variations, present significant challenges for learners.

B. Suggestions

1. For the students

Based on the research findings, students can enhance their speaking skills by actively engaging with English vlogs. This includes imitating the vloggers' speech patterns, intonation, and pronunciation to improve fluency. Exploring diverse vlog genres and topics helps expand vocabulary and cultural understanding. Observing storytelling techniques can make students' communication more engaging. Using translated texts, setting specific learning goals, and practicing regularly are also key strategies for improvement.

2. For the future researcher

Future research on improving speaking through English vlogs could explore combining vlogs with explicit grammar instruction to address grammar-related challenges. A mixed methods approach, using both

quantitative (e.g., pre- and post-tests) and qualitative (e.g., interviews) data, would provide deeper insights into their impact. In addition, researching how vlogs enhance cultural understanding may help students navigate and apply cultural nuances in communication more effectively.