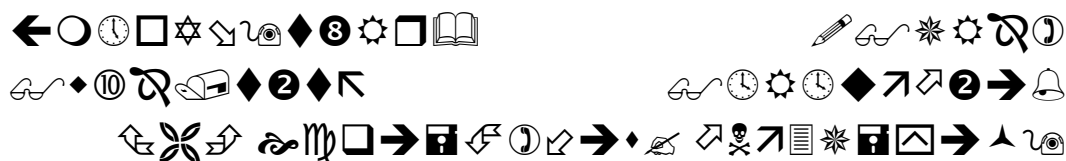


CHAPTER I INTRODUCTION

A. Rationale

The perfect life needs communication not just in message activity but also speaking activity, therefore the messenger or speaker needs language to give understanding to each other. It is appropriate with the meaning of language in dictionary: Language is a system of communication in speech and writing used by people of in particular country.¹According to Algeo, language is a system of conventional vocal signs by means of which human beings communicate. This definition has several important terms. Those terms are system, signs, vocal, conventional, human, communicate.²

Language is used for giving interaction to communicate and giving understanding each other. It is related to Allah Almighty in creating language for giving understanding as stated in QS. Yusuf 01:



From the verse above; it represents all different language in the world that for giving understanding to His human Allah used Arabic language. In order to they can understand it, Allah has created language to be one of His mercy for His creature in the earth, and it is used for giving understanding to each other in the way of communication.

¹ *Oxford Learner's Pocket Dictionary*, (Oxford University Press, 1983). p. 240

² Algeo, John. *The Origins and Development of the English Language: Sixth Edition*. Wadsworth, Cengage Learning. 2005.p.2

Still related to the language, literature also included to items of language, and literature can bring us toward a better understanding of our fellow human beings. Literature is more serious piece of writing such as poetry, prose and drama, which need a repeated reading and deep thought to understand it. R.J Roes in his book *English Literature: An Introduction for Foreign Readers* that was quoted by Murtiana stated that literature is a writing which expresses and communicates ideas, feelings, and attitudes toward life. What makes it different with other piece of writing such as news articles or advertisement is the permanent quality it has. A work of literature can be enjoyed hundred or thousand years later, or it is intended to last for future generation.³

Besides that, literature has the following qualities: first, psychological truth, that is a work of literature is actually part of our experience or life reflection, like the experience of feeling of love, anger, or hurt. Second, originality, that is the writer has a special way to present the old themes into a new and fascinating light. Third, craftsmanship, that is a technical skill possessed by the writer in using the language.

Related to the literature, play or drama is one of important items of literature. Reaske said that it may be defined as a work of literature or a composition which delineates life and human activity by means of presenting various actions of and dialogues between a group of characters.⁴

³ Rahmila Murtiana, *Introduction to Literature Part 1 (History of English Literature)*. (IAIN Antasari Banjarmasin, p. 1

⁴ Reaske, Christopher Russell. 1966. *How to Analyze Drama*. Newyork: Monarch Press, p.

Play was firstly introduced by a Greek philosopher Aristotle. He also identified six elements of play (drama) that enhance not only the story telling, but also the instructive and aesthetic values of a play. Generally play or drama can be divided to classic period and modern period. In this thesis the writer will take modern period of play or modern play script as his analysis.

Play script is written text, and it needs a writing skill of a writer. In written text, we will find various kinds of sentences. To master the writing skill, the writer has to know how to write the best sentences, and reading a lot of story books, novels, even dialogues that often used in drama. It intends to gives inspiration how to make a good sentence and what the various kinds of sentences are like.

A sentence is group of words that express a statement, question, etc. Using sentence speaker can make his mean is understood by respondent because it is language and requirement for communication. According to Richard, the sentence is traditionally (and inadequately) defined as a word or group of words that expresses a complete idea and that includes a subject and a verb.⁵ In line with the statement, sentence is a related group of words containing of subject and a predicate and expressing a complete thought.

Related to a sentence, in English grammar sentence is also the important component that the learner has to know and understand, and in English grammar sentence is divided into four types they are Declarative Sentence (Statement),

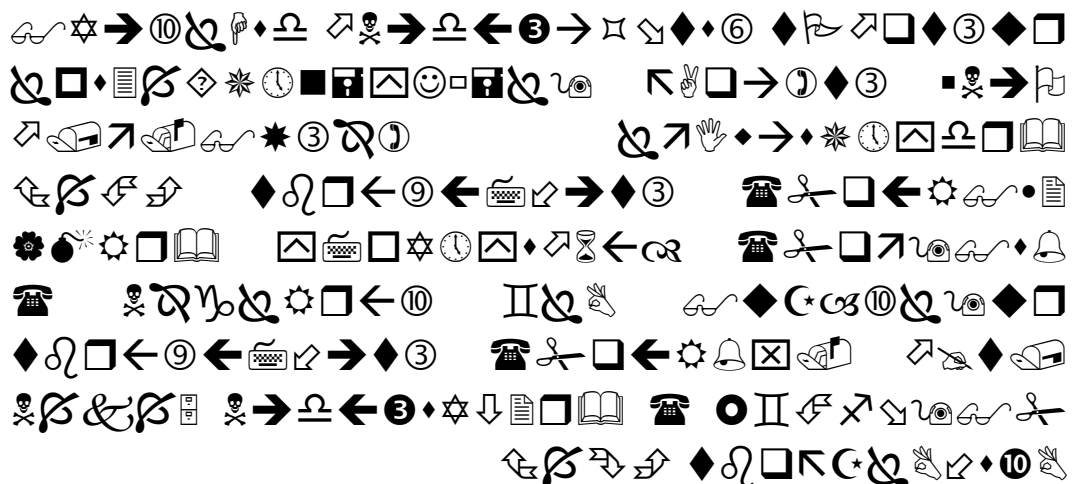
⁵ Richad Nordquist, 2012, *Sentences*. Retrieved 31th July 2012, at 17.30 AM, from <http://grammar.about.com/od/rs/g/senterm.htm>.

Interrogative Sentence (Question), Imperative Sentence (Commands, Request), Exclamatory Sentence (Exclamations).

Still related to a sentence, it has to be studied by student who will master English, because there are many difficulties that are felt by someone, when he will express the sentence to give a better question or statement, commands and exclamation. In fact, there is someone who has expressed the exclamation or command, but he did not know what type of sentences that he used. Most of the sentences that we use or write are declarative sentences, and we frequently ask question, often relies on correct intonation without knowing the truth of sentences structure. One of people's difficulties is how to differ between imperative sentence and exclamatory sentence, because both of them have same sentence characters, in the last of sentence is ended by exclamations sign (!).

Related to the description about sentences above, play script as a way for improving writing skill will always include many sentences especially in dialogue, like in the play script of Oscar Wilde's *An Ideal Husband* and *The importance of Being Earnest*. *An Ideal Husband* is the phenomenal drama that was created by Oscar Wilde, there is no doubt that Oscar Wilde was one of the most witty men who came from the British Isles and probably the world. It is virtually impossible to find anything he wrote which did not show at least a glimmer of his genius, but he also can make his work burned into serious drama and just a little humor. In his drama *An Ideal husband* he tells about exploitation, rottenness politic and general, and self respectability.

It is different with *The Importance Of Being Earnest*, which tells about two man stylists who were successful in their romance, which more focus as humorous drama and this work finally made him well known as a playwright. *The Importance of Being Earnest*, is also considered his greatest and the modern shining example of the comedy of manners.⁶ In every play script there will always be the dialogues between characters and the other characters is included both of Oscar Wilde’s work above. Dialogue is conversations in a book, play or film. Related to dialogue our god Allah almighty also has many dialogues with his prayers as printed in QS. Saba’ 40-41 :



The verses above tell us that Allah does not just create everything then silent without interaction. It gives evidence that Allah also has conversation especially to His angel like His decree above, Allah ask to His angel about” do they worship Me” and then his angel answer his Question by praise Him and tell the fact.

⁶ Wikipedia,2012, *The Free Encyclopedia of The Importance of being Earnest*, Retrieved December 3 2012, at 14:05 AM, from http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/The_Importance_of_Being_Earnest

In this research, the writer works to focus on when type of sentences is used by characters in dialogues in Oscars Wilde's *An Ideal Husband* and *The Importance of Being Earnest* play scripts. The writer is interested to analyze the play scripts, because both of the dramas above were included as Oscar Wilde's best works, and the writer would like to master in how to produce a good sentence variation by using types of sentences. With that reason the writer intends to conduct research entitled **"AN ANALYSIS ON TYPE OF SENTENCES USED IN PLAY SCRIPTS DIALOGUES OF OSCAR WILDE'S AN IDEAL HUSBAND AND THE IMPORTANCE OF BEING EARNEST"**

B. Statement of problem

Based on the topic, the problems of the study can be formulated as follows:

1. What are types of sentences used in play scripts of Oscar Wilde's *An Ideal Husband* and *The Importance of Being Earnest* ?
2. When are types of sentences used by characters in play scripts of Oscar Wilde's *An Ideal Husband* and *The Importance of Being Earnest* ?

C. Reasons For Choosing the title

Some reasons for choosing the title are:

1. Realizing that type of sentences is an important aspect in teaching and learning English , which does not learn only about how to use good structure but also how to express ideas in a good written form.

2. Considering that basic type of sentences is one of important aspects that has to be mastered by people or student in order the students to be easy to communicate in English.

D. The Purpose of The Research

1. To characterize the types of sentences are used in play scripts of Oscar Wilde's *An Ideal Husband* and *The Importance of Being Earnest*
2. To point out when are types of sentences used by characters in play scripts of Oscar Wilde's *An Ideal Husband* and *The Importance of Being Earnest*.

E. The Significance of The Research

1. This research will tell the readers about the utility of type of sentences in play scripts of Oscar Wilde's *An Ideal Husband* and *The Importance of Being Earnest*
2. To increase the reader ability about type of sentences especially in play scripts Oscar Wilde's *An Ideal Husband* and *The Importance of Being Earnest*

F. Systematic of Writing

The research paper consists of four chapters. The first chapter is introduction, which consists of rationale, statement of problem, reason for choosing the title, the purpose of the research, the significance of the research,

systematic of writing, methodology of research, which contains of data and source data, technique of collecting data and data analysis.

The second chapter is theoretical review that covers of some description about type of sentences, synopsis of the play script and the biography of the writer.

The third chapter is the research result of study based on literature study result.

Finally, the fourth chapter consists of conclusion and suggestion.

G. Method of Research

1. Subject and Object of The Research

The subject of this research is the modern play scripts of Oscar Wilde's *An Ideal Husband* and *The Importance of Being Earnest*, and the object of this research is analyzing type of sentences that is used in modern play script of Oscar Wilde's *An Ideal Husband* and *The Importance of Being Earnest*.

2. Data and Source of Data

There are two kinds of data are indentified in this research, they are primary data and secondary data.

a. Primary data

1). The play script.

2). The analysis of type of sentences in play script.

b. Secondary data

To complete the primary data, the writer also collects the supporting data that consist of:

- a. Description about type of sentences.
- b. Description about play scripts *An Ideal Husband* and *The Importance of Being Earnest*.
- c. Description about biography of Oscar Wilde as the writer of *An Ideal Husband* and *The Importance of Being Earnest*.

3. Library Research

In this library research there are four main steps namely:

- Searching library catalogue

In this step the writer hunts for the references by searching catalogues. They guide the writer to get the assumed information contained in the available references.

- Selecting the related references

It is possible that the available references do not contain the needed information. The writer must read quickly each references and the reading may end up into nothing valuable at all. If that is the case, the writer must go on hunting for other references

- Note-taking from the available references

This step is also important. What and which to take into notes will be a matter of trial and error to mention the adequacy of the notes.

- Picking quotation is the guidance in the formulated problem limitation.

This means that the problem must be made more operational so that the writer can pick the right quotations. It is not only the matter of the quotations, but also they are adequate to analyze type of sentences.

4. Technique of Data Collecting

To collect the data in this research, the writer uses the technique by reading the play script and exploring some literature which are related to the research.

5. Technique of Data Processing and Analysis

1. Data Processing

In this study, the writer uses two techniques of data processing, they are:

- Collecting

This process to collect all data that needed in this research

- Classifying

This technique to classify the play scripts that found based on the type of sentences.

- Analyzing

This technique to analyze the type of sentences from play scripts of Oscar Wilde.

2. Data Analysis

Before all of the collecting data have been reported, the writer analyzed them. The writer analyze type of sentences from play scripts of

Oscar Wilde. The analysis helps the writer to highlight some important conclusions of this research.

6. Research Procedure

Some steps that are passed through in this research are as follows:

1. Preliminary step
 - a. Read the drama scripts.
 - b. To discuss the result of the previous with the writer's academic advisor.
 - c. To make a research design proposal to be submitted to the Tarbiyah Thesis Bureau to have approval.
2. Preparatory step
 - a. To hold a seminar on the research design proposal.
 - b. To ask dean of Tarbiyah Faculty for written mandate to conduct the research.
 - c. To make the instrument of data collecting.
3. Research step
 - a. To collect all the needed data from the source by using some techniques of data collecting.
 - b. To process the data in the procedural way, then to analyze them properly.