

CHAPTER I

INTRODUCTION

A. Background of Study

Language is the system that relates to the sounds (or hand and body gestures) with meaning that includes some rules such as the sound system (the phonology), the structure of words (the morphology), how words may be combined into phrases and sentences (the syntax), the way in which sounds and meanings are related (the semantics), and the words or lexicon (Fromkin at al., 2003, page 27). In another references, language is a human system of communication that uses the arbitrary signals, such as voice sounds, gestures, or written symbol.

Language is one kind of knowledge, there are many languages in the world, and it needs the knowledge to make the right understanding. Al-Quran as the holy book of Moslem really appreciates the diversity among languages, because the world consists of many difference people with difference ethnics, nations, and also languages (Syihab, 2015). As it is written in Holy Qur'an Ar:Rum, verse: 22



English is a kind of language, and plays the important role in the global society, because it is used by people from many countries to communicate each other. As the needs of English increase over the year, people do not only communicate

with those who come from the same country, but also with those who come from different countries. In order to be able to convey meaning and talk to people around the world, they must be able to speak English since it is an international language. Due to its importance, it is very reasonable why English as a foreign language is taught as a subject from the elementary level to the university level.

As a language, English has four competencies that have to be mastered by someone who learn English, namely listening, speaking, reading and writing. Speaking is one of basic demanding skill in daily life. Every person needs to communicate each other through speaking. Speaking plays an important role in making a social interaction with other people in order to gain information. Thus, it is necessary for every person to have a good speaking skill. In a teaching and learning process, the goal of teaching speaking should improve students' communication skills because students can express themselves and learn how to use a language.

Nowadays, many teachers agree that students should learn to speak the second language by interacting to others. In brief, English teachers should be creative in developing their teaching learning process to create good atmosphere, improve the students speaking skill, give attention to the speaking components', and make the English lesson more exiting. For this reason, the English teachers should apply appropriate techniques of teaching speaking.

The successful of English learning process depends on the teacher as the model in the classroom. According to Harmer (2001, page 2), good teacher cares more about their students learning than their do about their own teaching. Students have their own perspective in defining a good teacher. Based on the research at

amount of students in England, students enjoy being entertained and amused, however a balance has to be noticed between entertainment and teaching/learning.

In making a successful English process, techniques is one of crucial factors that determine the successful of teaching and learning itself. Mostly of English teachers stuck in the old model in teaching English and it makes one of the greatest enemies of successful teaching appear, it is the students' boredom, where the students feel bored and become inactive in the classroom. That's why a good technique is needed for successful English teaching.

Although English is taught as a subject in educational institution, from elementary school until university, English is still a foreign language. In some cases, the outcomes of English teaching has not satisfied, students still feel anxious in speaking, worry to do mistake, and hesitate to ask. Therefore, many people think that learn English in a formal school is not enough. They try to take course outside the school in order to get a better English. The course offers some special program for the students to learn a subject in please situation.

In this thesis, the writer tries to observe an English Transmigration Village, where it's one of the informal institutions for studying English established by Barito Kuala government which is located in Karang Indah village, MandastanaSubdistrict, Marabahan, Barito Kuala Regency. Based on the writers' pre-observation, that village has some course classes that provide students facilities for studying English, especially in speaking. It offers some program based on our need, they are; regular, holiday, and special. There, the students are invited to learn English easily and encourage their speaking skill.

Based on the information that the writer gets, the tutors who teach in this English Village are 17 tutors which are 15 tutors are graduated from Pare-English

Village, Kediri, East Java. They followed the English course in 6 months and learn English intensively, after that they back to The English Village-Marabahan and teach the students that take course in The English Village Marabahan.

In the regular program, there are about 92 students consists of students from Elementary School that spent their weekend (Saturday and Sunday) to learn English in six houses that provided as the place in learning English, and every house has different number of students. In the afternoon after school, the students have a class until maghrib pray. There, students learn English especially for speaking, they sing and learn together, also learn how to pronounce something in English. They learn at terrace, yard, gazebo, even rice field. The English Village Marabahan is a Batola government program that wants to make a success English learning to prepare a good generation in English and as the work field for the citizen.

Coincide with the researcher's research, The English Village-Marabahan opens the holiday program for five days in collaboration with STIKES MuhammadiyahBanjarmsin as the annual program, and there are 66 students from STIKES Muhammadiyah Banjarmasin join this program. They are divided into two groups, based on pre-test result, 13 students are in the international class, and 52 students are in the regular class. In five days, the students learn English in interesting ways, they have morning class, speaking class, pronunciation class, study club and evening class which doesn't take place in the classrooms, but in the terrace, gazebo, or the field.

From the researchers' pre-observation, The English Village Marabahan is the only English Village outside Java Island. It also uses nature as the theme of the learning process, learning in nature in an interesting way to make students relax when studying.

Based on description above, the writer wants to know more about what techniques are applied in learning process, how is the application of the techniques, and what are the students' response about the techniques used by the teachers, especially in speaking class. So, the writer conducts a research and writes it under the title **“TEACHERS’ TECHNIQUES IN IMPROVING STUDENTS’ SPEAKING SKILL AT THE ENGLISH VILLAGE-MARABAHAN BARITO KUALA REGENCY”**.

B. Statement of Problem

Based on the background above, the writer will investigate the following questions:

1. What techniques are used in speaking class at The English Village Marabahan-Batola Regency?
2. How is the application of the techniques in speaking class at The English Village Marabahan-Batola Regency?
3. What is the students' response toward teachers' techniques in teaching process?

C. Objective of Study

The purposes of this research are:

1. To know the techniques are used in teaching English in speaking class at The English Village Marabahan-Batola Regency.
2. To know how is the application of the techniques in speaking class at The English Village Marabahan-Batola Regency.

3. To know the students' response toward teachers' techniques in teaching at The English Village Marabahan-Batola Regency.

D. Reason for Choosing the Title

1. Speaking is one of the crucial factors in communicating among people around the world, so it's important for teacher to improve students' speaking skill through various techniques of teaching.
2. The English Village Marabahan is the first English Village outside Java Island, especially in South Kalimantan, it is a good program from Batola Government for helping students in improving their English, especially in speaking skill.
3. According to the former thesis by PutriAyu H. R. entitled "Technique of English Teaching for Intermediate Program in Genta Course Pare-English Village", the researcher wants to know deeply about techniques of teacher in improving speaking skill in different places, namely The English Village Marabahan-Barito Kuala Regency.

E. Significant of Research

The results of this research are:

1. To inform the techniques used at The English Village in increasing speaking ability of students.
2. To give basic information for other researchers who want to do the same research in more enriched one.
3. To enlarge the literary source in English of Antasari State Institute for Islamic Studies library.

F. Definition of Key Terms

1. Technique

According to A.S Hornby (1999, 1.206) in *OxfordAdvance Learner's Dictionary of Current English* says that “technique is method of doing something expertly”. As stated by Jack C. Richard and Theodore S. Roger, a technique is implementation that which actually takes place in a classroom. It's a particular trick, stratagem, or contrivance used to accomplish an immediate objective. Therefore, in this thesis, it can be said that technique is the way how to do something to achieve the goal in improving students' speaking skill at English Village Marabahan-Batola Regency.

2. Speaking

Jeremy Harmer says that speaking is the ability to speak fluently presupposes not only a knowledge of language features, but also the ability to process information and language. In this thesis, speaking is a kind of activity to communicate each other in order to exchange information or express the feeling.

3. English Village

EnglishVillage is a village that consist of some English Courses where the students given the English lesson in fun situation. It's located on Mandastana Subdistrict, Marabahan-Batola Regency, South Borneo at Karang Indah Village. It has three programs, they are Regular Program for Wednesday and Sunday,

Holiday Program for one and two weeks, and Special Programs for weekly and monthly.