

CHAPTER I

INTRODUCTION

A. Background of study

Education is one of the most important aspects in this life. Since the old time, education has a role in social life. Among it are many invention that have made the era progress and made it easier for society. These many inventions prove that even today, education is still very crucial. Many important figures were born and played a role in their respective fields.

As time goes by, scientific developments are increasing. Many new learning media emerged. There are book, computer, audio, picture and many more. These objects make learning easier and enjoyable. However, the role of the educator cannot t be separated from all the learning activities in the classroom.

Book, on another hand, is one of the oldest and simplest learning media. Book has been around for about thousand years. It contains learning material which is written using a pen, or nowadays, the material is typed through computer. In the educational world, books are part of continuity of education (Muslich, 2010). By using books, implementation of education can be more smoothly. In this versatile world, availability and access to the book is not difficult. There are so many medium that could simplify to access learning material from books. Among them, buying from online shop, using portable document format (PDF), or by joining onlinecourse.

The use of books varies according to its need. For the elementary school level, surely the material used is even more basic. For junior high school level, the material will be a little more advance. For senior high school, the content of the book will be more complex. The books that used will be different each semester. However, there are also books for the general public.

Usually a book contains several chapters, each chapter explaining different material. For Practise Your English Competence textbook, there are 7 chapters in total. Chapter 1 generally talks about basic things, such as greeting someone. Continue to chapter 2, this part will be about introducing self to another person. Chapter 3 is about telling time, days and month. Chapter 4 is talking about how to describe something. Chapter 5 is contained material about giving characteristic to person, things or animal. Chapter 6 will discuss about habits. And in chapter 7, the material is about descriptive text.

To understand the quality of the book, someone should know first the material of the book. The term material in language teaching and learning refers to everything used to help teaching language learners (Tomlinson, 1998). Material is broad. For each student and teacher in the classroom is required to cooperate so that leaning and teaching activities will run smoothly.

The demand to understand the content of the book also increases along with curriculum development. For students, the function of the curriculum is as a means to measure self-ability and educational consumption. As for educators or teachers, the function of the curriculum will be very useful in implementing teaching methods later.

Having knowledge and education is very important for a Muslim, as promised by Allah that those who believe and seek knowledge, their level will be raised.

يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا إِذَا قِيلَ لَكُمْ تَفَسَّحُوا فِي الْمَجَالِسِ فَأَفْسَحُوا يَفْسَحِ اللَّهُ لَكُمْ ۗ وَإِذَا قِيلَ
انشُرُوا فَاَنْشُرُوا يَرْفَعِ اللَّهُ الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا مِنْكُمْ وَالَّذِينَ أُوتُوا الْعِلْمَ دَرَجَاتٍ ۗ وَاللَّهُ بِمَا تَعْمَلُونَ
خَبِيرٌ

(Al – Mujadalah: 11)

With the explanation above, the researcher decided to conduct research and find a match between content of the book to the related theory and hopefully this will help the development for the future.

B. Definition of key term

1. Content

Content is everything that is contained in a book. It can be material, exercise, table of content, and bibliography. Normally this can be recognizable easily.

2. Textbook

Textbooks are learning material guidebooks that are usually used by students and teachers in the classroom. It used by students to understand learning material, while the teacher uses it to provide explanations regarding the material in the book

C. Research question

1. What is the material contained in English textbook entitled “Practise your English competence”?

D. Objective of study

1. To find the suitability of the content of the book to the theory by expert.

E. Significance of study

Hopefully this research will help the development for English textbook in term of material supply, which allows for an enrichment or reduction if needed. Therefore, the reader will have more opportunities to gain more knowledge.