

ABSTRACT

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This research describes the students' ability in listening to minimal pairs through pictures at the fourth semester of English Department at Antasari State Institute for Islamic Studies Banjarmasin Academic Year 2014/2015. The writer chooses this title to know the ability of students in listening to minimal pairs through pictures because usually other research only listening minimal pairs without picture, also the minimal pairs through picture is one of the important things to master by students.

The problem formulation of this research are : How is the students' ability in listening to minimal pairs through picture at the fourth semester of English Department at Antasari State Institute for Islamic Studies Banjarmasin Academic Year 2014/2015? What is the most difficult minimal pair to listen through picture?

The subject of this research is 166 students of the fourth semester of English Department of Faculty of Tarbiyah and Teachers Training of IAIN Antasari Banjarmasin academic year 2014/2015. The objects of this research are the students' ability in listening to minimal pairs through picture and the most difficult minimal pair to listen through picture.

To collect the data, the writer uses the technique of test and documentary. The data are processed through editing, coding, frequency, computing, tabulating and data interpreting. Then all the data are analyzed descriptive quantitative because using test.

The result of this research states that the students' ability in listening to minimal pairs through pictures at the fourth semester of English Department at Antasari State Institute for Islamic Studies Banjarmasin Academic Year 2014/2015 is categorized into sufficient category with the average score 53.18. This research also states that the most difficult minimal pair to listen through pictures is question number 6 in sound /e/ and /ei/ in the words Pen /pæn/ and Pain /pein/ also question number 41 in sound /t/ and / θ/ in the words /Tanks /tæŋk/ and Thanks /ˈæŋk/ with both of them have the same total in wrong answer that is 3.37 %. From 166 students, there were 112 students who answered incorrectly.