ABSTRACT

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Word Formation Process of Neologism Occuring on Twitter's Status

This study aims to find out the words considered as neologism and the type of word formation process of neologisms on Twitter's statuses. It focuses only on English Neologism posted by 30 members within one month, starting from April 15 to May 15, 2012. This study uses descriptive qualitative method because the data are words which are analyzed through word formation process. The source of the data is Twitter, an online social networking. To analyze the data, this research uses the word formation process classifications by Plag (2002) and neologism classification by Silvia (2001). The result of research shows that blending is mostly used in forming neologism. Finally, it is argued that simplicity and brevity affect the occurent of blending on Twitter's statuses.

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Word Formation Process, Neologism, Twitter's status