

ABSTRACT

Titik Nurhayati (2013) :

“Error Analysis of Using Punctuation in English Text (Conducted to students at the semester six of English Department)”

This study aims to describe student`s error of using punctuation in English text. The study is conducted to students at the semester six of English Department. The researcher analyzed the error in the use of punctuation itself, because good punctuation is essential in clear and effective writing especially in academic writing. It was correlated to Jeremy`s theory (2004,p.49) stated that using punctuation correctly is one of the important skill in writing.. There are two problems of this study; how the students` errors of using punctuation in English text are and what cause of error in using punctuation. The researcher used qualitative method in this study. Punctuation marks that are presented in this research are comma, full stop, hyphen, apostrophe, question mark, quotation mark, and exclamation mark. As a result, the researcher found that comma is most common error made by the English Department student during the sixth semester 2010-2011. Carelessness and a lack of high personal standard of excellence must be the basic cause for the students` error.

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Error Analysis, Punctuation