Chapter 5

Conclusion and Suggestion

Conclusion

In this chapter, the researcher is going to sum up the overall data that has been discovered from the previous chapter about negative politeness strategy used in The Proposal film. There are some problems that are discussed in this research. By using pragmatics theory as well as Brown and Levinson's theory of politeness strategy, this research analyzes the use of the negative politeness strategy in The Proposal film. Specifically, this research analyzed the factors that influence the characters in employing negative politeness strategy when the speaker's and the hearer's power is unequal, the speaker and the hearer's power is equal and also the ineffectiveness of negative politeness strategy.

In brief, it is found that negative politeness strategy is not only used by the participants who do not know each other or know each other very little (e.g. stranger) but also to them who are close or know each other very well (e.g. family members). It is discovered that the reason of familiarity between them is not something that making the size of politeness become less. It is because there are some situations that require them to employ negative politeness strategy such as the speaker have to respect the hearer when the hearer's power is higher; the speaker needs to maintain their social distance and or to build a better relation to the other.

In addition, The Proposal film mostly takes place in home and the conversations are mostly happened among family members. So the situation and the conversations are informal. It can be said that being polite is not only needed when we are in formal situation but also in informal situation because of some factors that are mentioned previously. Furthermore, the most important ones in employing negative politeness strategy depends on to whom we are talking to, what the topic that we will be talking about, and what the purpose is.

Suggestion

It is expected that this research can be guidance for the next researcher who is interested in conducting a similar research. It is suggested for the next researcher to extend his/her study not only about negative politeness strategy but also about the politeness strategy as a whole (bald on-record, positive politeness, negative politeness, and off-record). Also, it is hoped for the next researcher to use the other literature backgrounds as the object for his/her research. It could be better if the data are taken from the environment around us or from real conversation.