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The objective of study is to find out the level of students' ability in translation, as well as to find out common errors made by students. The study is limited only on analyzing students' accuracy and acceptability in translation based on Nababan's theory (2012) to describe their level of ability. The data were collected by giving a short story to 13 participants and the data were analyzed by using descriptive qualitative method. The participants of this study were 13 students who sitting in sixth semester of English Department of Universitas Negeri Gorontalo (UNG) in the academic year of 2012/2013 who had passed the Translation subject, English Syntax, English Grammar, and Semantic & Pragmatic subjects. The result of the study showed that there are 11 (84%) students got excellent level and 2 (15%) students achieved good level. In general, the result is excellent. Furthermore, in students' translation works, it was found the errors that made their translation inaccurate and unacceptable. The use of inappropriate word, choice of word, omission and addition of information were some errors displayed in students' translation work. Word-forword and unnatural translation applied by students also made their translation sound unnatural and difficult to understand.

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