

CHAPTER I

INTRODUCTION

Basic Consideration

Sociolinguistics is one of linguistics branches which discusses how individual speakers use language, how people use language differently in different town or regions, how nation decides what languages will be recognized in courts or education (Meyerhoff, 2006:26). From the statement, I ensure that people (speakers) have each style when they use language because people are different. And then, people (speaker) communicate each other based on circumstance. They caused language variation. The variation occurred because of people's style in using language. According to Holmes (2013), "style is sometimes determined by the function which language is used for." So that our style in using language depend on circumstance, and then people should choose a compatible style to communicate in appropriate situation and condition. this study uses term "style" in analyzing one of character namely Atticus Finch in "To Kill a Mockingbird" Novel written by Nelle Harper Lee.

The novel is one of literary work and it is well known enough. It has either long story or dialogs in the novel. This study discovers language style that available in the novel. Exactly types of style that available in dialogs. "To Kill a Mockingbird" is the title of the novel and it will be discussed. The novel written by Nelle Harper Lee and it was published in 1960. In 1961, it achieved Pulitzer Prize and has

become a classic of modern American literature. It is even widely taught in schools in the United States with a lesson that emphasizes tolerance and decries prejudice. The important thing of this novel is that it contains an educational value, how a single parent was to raise up and educate his children with his own paragon until they will turn to be an honorable person, fight for truth without being afraid and take care of poor people.

Atticus Finch in “To Kill a Mockingbird” novel is the character to be discussed. His role as a single parent for both of children namely Jean Louis Finch and Jeremy Atticus Finch. Atticus Finch is a character who has paragon and experience in all of his work and family. Hence, he is an appropriate character to be discussed because he has a lot of dialogs in the novel which is supporting the research.

Linguistics is a knowledge that must be learned and practiced because human needs language as a tool of communication. Sociolinguistics is part of linguistics and it is learning about the relationship between language and society. The importance of the study in sociolinguistics area is to make easier in teaching implication and to make students be sensitive so that they can detect and use it appropriately. And then, the benefit of the reader is to raise knowledge about types of style and to practice in around people appropriately.

This study uses Joos (1961-1967) theory that classifies style into five types are frozen, formal, consultative, casual and intimate. Sometimes we as a speaker of a language using a formal style or casual style when to speak with the audience. For example, this study found sentences uttered by Atticus Finch to his child [1] *“Because that’s the only way he can pay me. He has no money”* this sentence is not formal style because formal style must have complete structure and frozen, consultative even intimate neither because of frozen usually in the ceremony, consultative usually in sector administration and intimate usual conversation between a best friend and strong relationship. In this study, researcher will describe types of style that are used by Atticus Finch.

Research Question

Based on previous brief explanation, the writer has one question, that is:

- What types of style are used by Atticus Finch in “To Kill a Mockingbird” novel?

Research Objective

Concerning with the research question above, this research intended to achieve one objective:

- To find out types of style that are used by Atticus Finch in “To Kill a Mockingbird” novel.

Scope and Delimitation of Research

This study analyzed about types of style that are used by Atticus Finch. This study used Atticus Finch's dialogs as data that are available in "To Kill a Mockingbird" novel. Therefore, this study is limited to types of style that are used by Atticus Finch along with they will be analyzed according to the title of this mini-thesis.

Research Significance

There is some significance in this research, they are:

a. Theoretically

Linguistics is a science that far-ranging of discussion until linguistics divided into several branches such as syntax, morphology, sociolinguistics, and etcetera. Those are discussing language. For example, sociolinguistics is discussing the relationship between language and society. Human needs language to communicate because communicating is one of the important factors. In communicating, we should pay attention toward style in order that we can communicate with appropriate style. Therefore, this investigation benefits to all learners to increase their concept of knowledge and comprehension about types of style that are often used by a human.

b. Practically

In university, English Education Program has a subject that related to linguistics such as morphology, syntax, and sociolinguistics. Every student must follow those subject. For the students who are interested in linguistics investigation, they can choose one of the branches of linguistics subject such as morphology and

sociolinguistics. Students can choose one of the subjects that they want.

Therefore, this research is beneficial for the reader, especially students of English Education Program who are interested in style. This research can be a reference for other researcher and do evolving.

Types of style are one of the sociolinguistic subjects and they will learn when the fourth semester. Continue to seventh semester, English department majors in the university has English for specific subject consist of English for tourism, English for young learners and English for business which is the concept of language style indispensable until all English learners can control vocabulary and conventional structure. Therefore, this research coming in useful because it gives the concept of sociolinguistics, exactly language style that available in sociolinguistics subject and English for specific purposes. Even it can extend the luck in teaching implications where every student who learn English should need to be sensitive so they can detect and use it appropriately.

Actually, Style is common term in science. So that, this study shows style in sociolinguistics. Style can be called language style also because style have relationship with language. If we talk language style, it means we talk style in sociolinguistics and style in literary work such as figurative language. Therefore, this study benefit to give comprehension to people perception about style which are this style in sociolinguistics, not style or language style such as figurative language in literary work.