

Chapter I

Introduction

Basic Consideration

Language is main core of human communication. Besides as communication, language is necessary for human to be able to mutually give or share all information and it can also can describe our personality, attitude, behavior in this life. According to Darmojuwono and Kushartanti (2005, p. 15) language is a sign of sound system which is agreed to used by group of a particular society in cooperation, communication, and to self identification. Chomsky in Aminudin (2008, p. 64) states that language is a system of rules that expresses the correspondence between sound and meaning in this language. According to Baskin in Pateda (2001, p. 4), language is a system of sign that express ideas. So, Language is very important to our life. As a human we really need language. Language is not just spoken language but language has one kind that produce in written form that called written language.

As we know in a simple definition, written language is a language which is represented by using writing system. It means a language that refers to writing form consist of structures for arranging the writing to be better, whereas, in spoken language, it is usually concern about a language in oral ways. So far we learn about spoken language itself, we always find that language in this way is easier to learn than written language because it is just about how to get the information, it does not think about the structure and grammatical, so, we can get the code or information well.

Language itself especially in written ways, we always find the words that have similar meaning, opposite meaning or even the words that have more than one meaning. Palmer (1981, p. 73) states that lexical structure of meaning from the point of view of sense relations. Structure lexical means the various of semantic relation which existed in word. The lexical structures can be elaborated as :

- (1) Synonymy is used to mean “sameness of meaning”. It is obvious that for the dictionary-maker many sets of words have the same meaning; they are synonymous, or are synonyms of one another. On the other hand, synonymy can mention as similar meaning. For example, much (adjective) has synonym with the words many and lots.
- (2) Polysemy and Homonymy. Polysemy is the same word may have a set of different meaning. The example is the word single (adjective). Single which means personal or individual, and single means unmarried.
- Homonymy that there are several words with the same shape or the words that has same pronunciation but different meaning. The example the word as bank (side of river) and bank (financial institution).
- (3) Hyponymy can be said as the relation between specific meaning and general meaning. For example flower : tulip, rose or Vehicle : car, train, plane.
- (4) Antonymy is used for “oppositeness of meaning”; words that are opposite are antonyms. Antonymy is often thought of as opposite of synonymy, but the status of the two are very different. The example, long (adjective) has antonym with short.

In this part I will more concern to the words that have more than one meaning, that called polysemy. As in Semantic and Pragmatics study, it has been presented that polysemy is a word that has multiple meaning for example the words that

deals by social milieu paper, paper has two different meanings; first, paper means “thing classification” and paper in second meaning is a “task or assignment”.

Beside deals with social milieu, polysemy also deals with figurative language. For example a word rose. The word rose can define as “kind of flower” also the meaning of rose in figurative language as “beautiful woman”. This is the simple example of polysemy itself.

Yoder (2005) defined word polysemy having being or characterized by many meanings; the existence of several meanings for a single word or phrase.

Pylkkanen et al., (2006, p. 1) state that polysemy is a single word form, is associated with two or more meanings, traditionally called “senses” that are distinct but semantically related. State on statement above I conclude that polysemy is a word that have more meaning or multiple meaning. As the result polysemy is always make the listener or reader being confused to think which one the real meaning of this word. This is the unique and characteristic of polysemy.

Besides polysemy can be found in many kinds of literature or reading such as textbooks, articles, journals, magazines, newspapers, novels and etc, we can also find many words of polysemy in songs. Because polysemy has more than one meaning, sometimes make someone misunderstanding with the meaning that trying to delivered by the singer into her or his songs, because the words in song contains of polysemy. If someone translate the song not correctly, it can influence the real meaning of the song. So, it is very important to know the polysemy itself.

According to Palmer in Pateda (2001, p. 213) he said that polysemy is a word that have a set of different meaning. State on Simpson (1979, p. 179) a word

which has two or more related meaning. State on above statement I can conclude that polysemy is a word that have more meaning or multiple meaning.

In this case, I am interested to observe polysemy because, polysemy is always makes the listener or reader confused to think which one the real meaning of this word and it is the characteristic of polysemy. So, in this research, I want to analysis of polysemy. Therefore, I choose to observe polysemy in song because the songs have multiple meaning that contains of polysemy, the people often find words that have more meaning in the song, we have to learn and understand about polysemy.

I am interested in selecting the songs by Adele Laurie Blue Adkins because many people are interested in the content of lyrics of her songs that have many meanings and I found there are some polysemy words that are used in her songs, therefore in the fact the listener sometime still get difficulty to determine the real meaning of words in her songs. so that it's very important to do analyze in song. So, to avoid interpretation ambiguity meaning.

Therefore I formulated the title of my research is "An Analysis in Using Polysemy in English Songs by Adele Laurie Blue Adkins".

Problem Statement

Refers to the explanation above, I formulate the problem statement as follow :

1. What are the polysemy in Adele Laurie Blue Adkins's songs?
2. What are the word classes of polysemy in Adele Laurie Blue Adkins's songs?
3. How are the meanings of polysemy words in Adele Laurie Blue Adkins's songs?

Reason for Choosing the Topic

The reason for choosing this topic are :

1. In this case this research is focused on semantic field, because polysemy is branch of semantic. So, Polysemy is very important to be learnt. Because in comprehending or understanding the real meaning in written language sometimes make the reader confused also get misunderstanding.
2. Polysemy is an interesting topic to be discussed. Because, we can find many meaning of words in songs. And make the readers are able to identify polysemy in songs.
3. Song is the one of the written language which can be found the words of polysemy in each lyrics.

The Objective of Study

Based on the statement above, the objectives of research are formulate as follows:

1. To identify the polysemy in song lyric of Adele Laurie Blue Adkins's
2. To identify the word classes of polysemy.
3. To Analyze the reference meaning of words polysemy in song lyric of Adele Laurie Blue Adkins's.

The Scope and Delimitation of study

In this analysis, I limit this research into the analysis of the words that contains polysemy in Adele Laurie Blue Adkins's songs which consist of sixteen songs taken from two albums.

Significant of Research

The significances of research are completely described below :

1. This research can describe the form of polysemy itself.
2. To add reader's ability in understanding the word polysemy in written language.
3. This research can add an information and knowledge about the relation of meaning especially polysemy to English learners.
4. To explore meaning of polysemy in songs.
5. As a reference for advance researcher in analyzing the polysemy.