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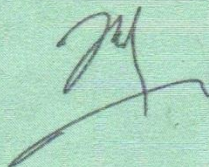
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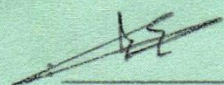
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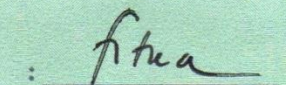
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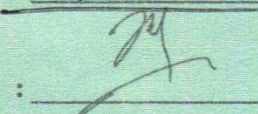
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ABSTRACT

Maulana, Mahdi Annafra. 2021. “An Analysis of Word Formation of Slang Words Used in *Bad Boys for Life* Movie”. Thesis, English Department, Faculty of Languages and Arts. Universitas Negeri Padang.

This research was aimed to find the slang words and the word formation process found in *Bad Boys for Life* Movie. This research was descriptive qualitative research. The data were analyzed by using theory of Yule (2010) and (Spolsky 2012). The data were taken from the scripts of *Bad Boys Life* Movie which was released in 2020. The result of the research showed that there were 82 slang words were found. Out of 10 types word formation processes, there are 7 types of found in this research. They are (40) coinage, (6) borrowing, (14) compounding, (8) blending, (11) clipping, (1) of derivation, and (2) multiple processes. The most dominant word formation process is coinage with occurrence 40 times (48.78%). The second most frequent word formation process used in creating the slang words in this movie is compounding with the occurrence 14 times (13.41%). The least dominant word formation process is derivation with occurrence 1 time (1.22%).

Key words: Morphology, Word Formation, Slang, Movie, Script

ABSTRAK

Maulana, Mahdi Annafra. 2021. “Analisis Pembentukan Kata dari Kata-Kata Slang yang Digunakan dalam Film *Bad Boys for Life*”. Skripsi, Jurusan Bahasa dan Sastra Inggris, Fakultas Bahasa dan Seni. Universitas Negeri Padang.

Penelitian ini bertujuan untuk menemukan kata-kata slang dan proses pembentukan kata yang ditemukan dalam Film *Bad Boys for Life*. Penelitian ini merupakan penelitian deskriptif kualitatif. Data dianalisis dengan menggunakan teori Yule (2010) dan (Spolsky 2012). Data diambil dari naskah film *Bad Boys Life* yang rilis pada tahun 2020. Hasil penelitian menunjukkan ditemukan 82 kata slang. Dari 10 jenis proses pembentukan kata, ada 7 jenis yang ditemukan dalam penelitian ini. Mereka adalah (40) *coinage*, (6) *borrowing*, (14) *compounding*, (8) *blending*, (11) *clipping*, (1) *derivation*, dan (2) *multiple processes*. Proses pembentukan kata yang paling dominan adalah *coinage* dengan kemunculan 40 kali (48,78%). Proses pembentukan kata kedua yang paling sering digunakan dalam pembuatan kata slang dalam film ini adalah *compounding* dengan kemunculan 14 kali (13,41%). Proses pembentukan kata yang paling tidak dominan adalah *derivation* dengan kemunculan 1 kali (1,22%).

Kata kunci: Morfologi, Pembentukan Kata, Slang, Film, Naskah.

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CHAPTER 1

INTRODUCTION

1.1 Background of the Problem

Language is an instrument that is used by people to express their thoughts and feelings to others. This shows that language takes a vital role in people's communication because without using language they cannot communicate one another. Besides, it allows people to work, live, and play together. Moreover, people use language to achieve certain functions such as cooperation and interaction.

From time to time, human language always develops and tends to change because of some factors such as social life and human's need for language. Language changes rather slowly compared to the human life span (Fromkin, 2007). Usually, it begins with phenomena such as various language styles used by people in their communication. The style of language occurs when someone thinks that certain language style is the best way of using language. When the use of a new style starts growing and it is agreed by the people in certain groups as a part of the language, slang appears.

Slang is one of the forms of language variation (Abadi, 2010). Everyone uses different language variations in their communication. Language and communication are related to language variation. The language will look creative by making a variety in our communication. According to Wardhaugh (2006), language variation is one of the ways of characterizing people in certain languages. This means that speakers of a particular language sometimes speak in different dialects of that

language.

Slang is used by all kinds of people who share situations or interests and it is often used in informal situations. Burke in Abadi (2010) states that slang includes “secret” words or sentences used in everyday conversations, books, magazines, televisions, movies, or song lyrics. Slang language is not an official or it is informal language although it is widely used for oral communication for many purposes, as many words quickly become outdated or obsolete because of trends. There is no formal classification in slang language, except that is a subclass of the language.

Language itself consists of some parts, such as morphemes, words, sentences, etc. Each part has its own function and rule. In this research, the writer limits on word analysis as a part of the language. Word as a part of language has an important role in forming a language. This process is usually called word formation process. Word formation processes are the processes of creating new words and the new uses of the old words. For example, in daily communication, the term *ASAP* is often used. It is formed by the process of the acronym, in which it is actually derived from *As Soon As Possible*. Yule (2010) explains that there are ten processes of word formation. Those processes are coinage, borrowing, compounding, blending, clipping, backformation, conversion, acronym, derivation, and multiple processes.

There are some studies that have been done related to word formation on slang used in various areas. First, it has been studied in the area of songs. Lestari (2016) analyzed word formation on slang words used in Bruno Mars’ song lyrics. The results of this study showed that there are 5 word formation processes found. Another study which related to the song was conducted by Haspo and Rosa(2018).

This research was intended to find out the slang words and the types of slang words used in the lyrics of the song of Eminem on Kamikaze Album.

Second, word formation on slang has been studied in the area of social life. Nurhayati (2016) analyzed word formation processes and a technique in understanding *Waria Slang Tulung Agung*. The result of this study showed that there are eleven processes found based on the data. They are derivation, multiple processes, acronym, borrowing, blending, reduplication, synonym, coinage, irregular form, and echoism.

Third, word formation on slang has been studied in social media. Kumalasari (2016) analyzed slang words used by Surabaya teenagers in their group on social media Facebook. Another study which is related to social media was conducted by Leo (2019). This study aims to find out the types and the meaning of slang words used by Plesbol.

Lastly, word formation has been studied in movies. Primaningtyas (2016) analyzed slang word expressions found in *Pitch Perfect* movie script and clarify the meaning of that expression based on the context they are uttered. Next, Novianti (2017) analyzed word formation on *Deadpool* movie. In addition, Hafiz (2020) analyzed word formation of English slang used in *straight Outta Compton* movie.

Also, Yendra (2018) conducted a study focused on analyzing the types of word formation on slang used in *Freedom Writer* movie. In addition, another study related to the movie was analyzed by Rosa (2018) who analyzed slang words used in the film entitled “Hitch” by Andy Tennant. The purposes of this research were to know the kinds, meaning, and function of slang words in the film *Hitch* by Andy

Tennant.

Based on the previous studies above, the word formation on slang words has been studied in various areas such as songs, social life, social media, and movies. The songs and social media are too common to be taken as the data. The researcher tried to search for research that has never been done. Primaningtyas (2016) and Yendra (2018) have studied in movies; however, there are several things that make this research different from them. First, the genres of movies in previous researches are merely music and drama. In this current study, the genres of the movies are action, comedy, and buddy cop that also means no one has studied it before. Second, the movie used in this analysis is a new movie that was released in 2020. This is also important in order to see the new modern slang that exists in this current year. Since languages keep developing, there is a big possibility to find the new slang in this movie.

The researcher chose *Bad Boys for Life* movie because it is a popular movie released on January 17th, 2020. In this analysis, the author is interested in analyzing the types of word formation process of slang words that used in the *Bad Boys for Life* movie. As in the background above the slang word is a new word form and the meaning of a new word is influenced by the process of forming a word. Thus, people can understand the plot and get the entertainment of the movie.

1.2 Identification of the Problem

Based on the background of the research problem, a study on word formation of slang can be done based on several perspectives. First, from semantic point of view, a study on slang word formation concerns with the meaning of the words which have

been formed. Second, it can be conducted from pragmatics aspect. This aspect focuses on how words are used in everyday situations. Lastly, it can be conducted from a morphological point a view. This aspect focuses on how words are constructed. In this study, the problem that the researcher identified is based on the morphological aspect.

1.3 Limitation of the Problem

Based on the identification of the problem above, the problem of this research is limited to word formation of slang words used in the *Bad Boys for Life* movie.

1.4 Formulation of the Problem

The problem of this research is formulated into the question “What are types of word formation of slang words used in *Bad Boys for Life* movie?”

1.5 Research Questions

Based on the formulation of the problem, the research questions of this study are formulated as follows:

1. What are the slang words used in the scripts of *Bad Boys for Life* movie?
2. What are the types of word formation of slang words used in *Bad Boys for Life* movie?

1.6 Purposes of the Research

This research is aimed at:

1. Finding out the slang words used in the scripts of *Bad Boys for Life* movie?
2. Finding out the types of word formation of slang words used in the scripts

of *Bad Boys for Life* movie?

1.7 Significance of the Research

Theoretically, the results of this research can be useful in developing theories, especially in morphology fields in slang terms. This study is also a challenge to understand the terms, the meaning, and the process of formation of slang words.

Practically, the results of this study are expected to enrich the understanding of the readers that word formation of slang word can be studied in many ways through linguistics. Besides that, it can give many information and references for English department students University in the application of morphology, especially word formation theory. Also, this research may be employed to help the other researchers in conducting similar research.

1.8 Definition of the Key Terms

In order to avoid misunderstanding and misinterpretation about the basic concepts used in this study, the researcher gives some definitions of the key terms as follows:

Morphology : The study of how *words* are formed of human languages.

Word Formation : The creation of a new word. It is sometimes contrasted with semantic change, which is a change in a single word's meaning.

Slang : A type of language that consists of words and phrases that is regarded as very informal

Movie : A story or event recorded by a camera as a set of

moving images and shown in a theater or on
television; a motion picture

Script : A written version of a play or movie.