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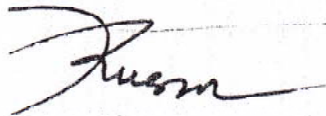
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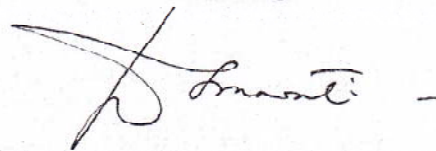
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ABSTRAK

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Berbicara merupakan salah satu bentuk komunikasi dalam menyampaikan pesan atau informasi secara lisan kepada orang lain. Dalam belajar bahasa Inggris siswa harus memiliki kemampuan berbicara disamping keterampilan lain yaitu keterampilan membaca, menulis, dan mendengarkan. Keterampilan berbicara pada tingkat *Elementary School* atau tingkat Sekolah Dasar masih sangat sederhana. Keterampilan berbicara pada tingkat Sekolah Dasar dapat ditimbulkan dengan cara memotivasi siswa untuk dapat mempraktikkan bahasa Inggris minimal di dalam ruang kelas. Ada banyak cara untuk memotivasi siswa Sekolah Dasar agar tertarik untuk berbicara dengan bahasa Inggris di dalam kelas, salah satunya dengan menggunakan media yang menarik bagi siswa-siswa tersebut seperti *Hand Puppets*. *Hand Puppets* merupakan media yang sangat sesuai untuk siswa Sekolah Dasar dan *Hand Puppets* juga sangat menarik dengan karakter-karakternya yang lucu yang dapat memotivasi siswa untuk berbicara dalam bahasa Inggris. Selain itu *Hand Puppets* juga dapat meningkatkan kemampuan kognitif, afektif dan psikomotor siswa.

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CHAPTER I

INTRODUCTION

A. Background of the Problem

Speaking is one of important subjects to be taught to elementary school students. Ur (1996) state that among the four skills, listening, reading, speaking, and writing, speaking seems the most important; speaking measures the students' ability in spoken language. Speaking are active process and should be taught in manner that will include students to take an active role in learning.

However, in reality it is not easy for the students to speak in English and also for the teaches it is very difficult for them to motivate the students to speak. It is caused by some factors. First, the students lack of vocabulary. The students can not say anything if they do not have any vocabulary.

Second, the teachers use monotonous technique in teaching. they do not use any interesting way, and the teachrs seem confuse to apply a new technique in teaching English, so that the students are not interested and unmotivated to learn speaking. Actually as a teacher they should be creative in teaching to stimulation the elementary school students to speak English.

Third, sometimes the number of the students in the classroom is more than the classroom capacity, so that the students would feel uncomfortable, and they unable to practice a lot.

By seeing the background of the problem above, it is very important for English teacher to find way to solve those problems. English teachers should be

creative, to create comfortable environment which is enjoyable in order to develop the students' attention to learn speaking. The teacher also should encourage the students to speak English in learning process, give the students opportunity to practice more. The teachers have to motivate the students to learn, make them interested in learning speaking. According to Patrick (2006) the important things that must be done by the students are: participation, collaboration, socialization and motivation. The teacher can motivate the students in speaking by using media.

One media that can be used by the teacher is Hand Puppets. Hand Puppets is considered to be effective media in teaching because Hand Puppets has unique shape in order to make the students interested in learning speaking and motivated them to speak.

B. Identification of the Problem

Based on the problem above, most elementary school students consider speaking as the most difficult skill to be mastered. They are afraid to speak; they often keep silent even though the teacher asks them to speak. To overcome this problem, one of the alternatives is using varieties techniques to make the students interested in speaking English. One of the techniques is by using hand puppet.

C. Limitation of the Problem.

In this paper the writer focuses the problem on how the English teachers use Hand Puppets as media to motivate elementary school students to speak

English. Hand puppets will make the students more interested in learning speaking.

D. Formulation of the Problem

The problem which is going to be discussed in this paper: How can a teacher use hand puppet as a media to motivate Elementary School students in speaking English?

E. The Purpose of this paper

This paper is expected to give contribution to English teacher in improving elementary school students' speaking motivation through hand puppets.