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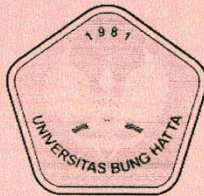
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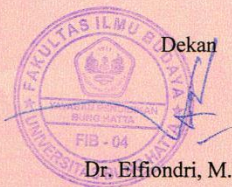
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ABSTRACT

The research deals with basic emotion of fear. Parrot (2001) classified the emotion into three categories. The writer focuses on the analysis of the topic of fear expression of horror and nervousness in the novel *Goosebump vol. 1: Welcome to Dead House*. The novel was written by R.L Stine. The writers choose the novel because everyone has felt fear, but the way to express it is different. Therefore the writer is interested to examine this fear expression. The writer analyzed fear expression based on Parrot's classification that consists of fear of horror and fear of nervousness. The writer use descriptive methods in this qualitative research. After analyzing the data, the writer found seven types of fear of horror they are *alarm, shock, fear, fright, horror, terror, and panic* and then three types of fear of nervousness *dread, worry and apprehension* in the novel *Goosebump: The Dead House*.

Keywords: fear expression, speech act of horror and nervousness.

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CHAPTER I

INTRODUCTION

1.1 Background of The Research

Human being is a unique creation in the universe. As a unique creature, human being equipped with emotion. Actually, emotion define as conscious mental reaction as anger fear subjectively experience as strong feeling usually directed toward a specific object and typically accompanied by physiological and behavioral changes in the body. It is also define as a strong feeling deriving from one's circumstances, mood, or relationships with others.

Many theorist tries to define the emotion. Izard (1991) states that emotions affect the whole person, and each emotion affects the person differently. People will give the different emotional expression to someone and the emotions can be positive or negative, it depends on what emotion that people use. The study of emotions has been developed by linguists. A number of linguists have studied language and emotions, how words are used to convey the emotions. In addition, Papez (1937) also states that emotions imply behavior (expression) and feeling (experience subjective aspect). It means that every emotion concerned with an expression.

Rintel (1984) defines that emotional expression is considered to be one of the illocutionary acts, because expression of emotion is a speech act

in which the listener recognized. The speaker's intention is to perform that act. These emotions like sad, happy, hate, anger, fear, love obviously represent by human being in daily life. Emotion is divided into two that is, positive emotion and negative emotion. Positive emotion appears in such form like happy, love, joy and others. On the other hand, negative emotion appears in such form like anger, fear, sad and many others. As a part of emotion, fear became the worst thing of human feeling. Fear can be expressed through verbal communication (word) and non-verbal communication (expression).

Fear becomes an inseparable phenomenon from the experience of human life as space and time change. Simply, fear can be interpreted as an emotional response to a threat being perceived. It is a basic survival mechanism and arises as a response to certain stimuli such as pain or danger (Ohman, 2000). Some psychologists like Watson, Plutchik, and Ekman stated that fear is one of a series of innate emotions of happy, sad, and angry emotions. Fear is almost always related to the circumstances or events that will occur in the future, but can also be a reaction that is suddenly related to the events that are happening

The writer is focus to analyze the topic of fear expression in the novel *Goosebump vol. 1: Welcome to Dead House*. Novel was written by R.L Stine. The writer choose the novel because after reading this novel, the writer consider the story of this novel is related with the object of the research. The writer chooses to analyze fear expression in this novel

because the genre of the novel is horror and there are many emotional expressions of horror and nervousness appears in the novel. As the example, it is reflected in the quotation below,

I woke up with a start, the horror of the dream still with me. I could still hear the pounding in my ears. I shook my head, trying to chase the dream away. It was morning. I could tell from the blue of the sky outside the window (22)

The subject “I” in this quotation is to Amanda. The setting took place in Amanda’s room in the Dead House. The horrible dream makes Amanda expressed horror after she woke up in the morning. It is reflected in the quotation which states that “I woke up with a start, the horror of the dream still with me”. As the impact of her bad dream, Amanda could and still heard the pounding in her ears as mentioned in “I could still hear the pounding in my ears”. The sentence above reflected obviously Amanda’s horror expression.

This novel has story about the Benson family. They have moved to the town of Dark Falls. This is because Mr. Benson received a letter which tell him and his family have inherited a house there from a great uncle nobody in the family had ever heard about. Mr Benson daughter, Amanda and his son, Josh think the old house they have just moved into is weird, spooky and possibly haunted. And the town of Dark Falls is pretty strange too. But their parents do not believe them. You will get used to it, they said. Go out and make some new friends, Mr Benson told his son and

daughter. So, Amanda and Josh did it. But these creepy new friends are not exactly what their parents had in mind.

1.2 Research Question

Research question in this research are :

1. What fear emotion of horror are expressed in the novel *Goosebump: Welcome to dead house?*
2. What fear emotion of nervousness are expressed in the novel *Goosebump: Welcome to dead house?*

1.3 The Purpose of the Research

The purposes of this research are:

1. To study the fear expression of horror as represent in the novel *Goosebump vol. 1: Welcome to dead house.*
2. To study the fear expression of nervousness as represent in the novel *Goosebump vol.1: Welcome to dead house.*

1.4 Problem Limitation

There are many emotional expressions were represented in this novel, but the writer limits the research field only to discuss about fear expression of horror and fear expression of nervousness. Emotion can be analyzed from literary product and the writer just focus on the novel,

Goosebump vol.1: Welcome to Dead House. The writer aims to analyze the fear expression verbally (word).

1.5 Significance of the Research

The writer hopes the result of the research will give contribution in academic world. It is also for the people that are interested to study in linguistic studies specially focus on emotion of fear expression. Furthermore, writer also hopes the reader can make this research as an inspiration for them to study about emotional expression especially in fear expression.