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### ABSTRACT

This study is aims to describe the types of directive speech act in the utterance among the characters in the Maleficent movie script. The researcher uses a descriptive qualitative method to classify and analyze the data. After investigating the utterance in the script, the writer found several findings on it. First, the utterances in this script are analyzed using the directive speech act from the theory of Searle (1979). Speech act of directive itself has many types; requesting, suggesting, advising, commanding. Moreover, those utterances can also be investigated from the communication strategy using the theory of Brown and Levinson (1987). The result of this study shows that the most dominant speech act of directive in this movie is speech act of commanding (33 data), and followed by Speech act of requesting (14 data), speech act of suggesting (4 data), and finally speech act of advising (1 data). From all forms of directive speech acts, speech act of commanding has the highest frequency of use among others. The findings of this research will be explained in detail in this thesis.

## Keyword: types of speech act of directive, movie, script, communication strategy

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#### **CHAPTER I**

### **INTRODUCTION**

### **1.1 Background of the Problem**

Everybody believes that communication make us exist in life. This communication becomes main part in their life. Human uses language as the way to communicate each other. Talking about communication, we need a partner or a hearer to understand and respond what we talk about. In communication, language makes people enable to have more interaction with others to convey their ideas, feelings, or thoughts. The communication that happened around people must be said clearly so that others understand us. It means that someone says appropriately and the message accepted by someone who talk with us. And people can express all their feelings through speech act. According to Yule(1996) speech acts consist of several categories, one of them is directive speech acts. Having learned the principles of speech act we will be able to implement them in daily social interaction in our life.

In this occasion, the writer can investigate the script from a movie. The writer makes describe to discuss the utterance or the sentences that used with one of linguistics study, speech act. Austin(1962) says that an analysis of an utterance that we performs at making speech. Speech act perform when people makes utterance such us an request, command, invitation, refusal, or suggestion. Studying speech act is important to make us comprehend what message that undiscovered in every utterance.

According to Yule(1996) speech acts are divided into three aspects. They are Locutionary act, Illocutionary act, Perlocutionary act. Locutionary act is the basic of utterance, or producing a meaningful linguistic expression. In other words, Locutionary acts can be defined as the act of making a meaningful utterance and using a referring expression. Illocutionary act is performance of an utterance and hence of a speech act. Perlocutionary act is the reaction of the hearer. The consequences of saying something, intended or not.

Based on the description above, Illocutionary act is one of three aspects of utterance. Illocutionary act can be divided into five categorized of speech act based on the function that is declarative, expressive, directive, commissive, representative. According to Searle(1969) speech act of declarative is speech act contain information. And speech act of expressive is a speech act that is associated with feeling of speakers. Speech act of directive that is speech act want someone to do something. Speech act of commisive is a speech act that shows the commitment of the partners speakers. To understand about speech act the researchers add example as follow:

### 1. Don't take that away

From the example (1) this directive utterance explained the forbidding utterance. Forbidding is one of part of directive of speech act. Forbidding comes from the speaker to forbid the hearer to do something.

In this research, the writer wants to analyze the speech act of directive. According to Austin(1962) directive utterance consists of asking, inviting, ordering, requesting, recommending, permitting, advising, forbidding. In consequence, there are some reasons why the researchers interested with this topic. First, directive is kind of speech act that often used by the speaker in daily conversation. Second reason is directive show a strong relationship between speaker and hearer. Third reason because directive speech acts are used to get greatest attention from listener in communication.

Many researchers has also discussed speech act of directive in their paper, such as Yanti(2015) found types of speech act of directive, they are: suggest, request and she found

types of speech act of expressive. Then, Miftah (2010) also analyzed speech act of directive. She found the types of speech act of directive most frequently used in the conversation.

Those researches were considered by the writer as reference to do a research on the same topic. The writer has analyzed speech act of directive and used Searle's theory to analyzed the data.

Talking about speech act of directive, when someone speaks, he can use various ways or strategies to express his felling. To know what the strategies used by the speaker. The writer used the theory of the communication strategy based on Brown and Levinson. In relation, Brown and Levinson (1987) stated that there are three strategies of communication. They are: bald on record, positive politeness, negative politeness. In other hand, to analyze speech act of directive the writer needs to know what the context that prove the utterance uttered by the speaker is speech act of directive. The context always involved in a speech act. Because of the context to understand the meaning of a sentence.

In this case speech act of directive are conducted from the movie entitled *Maleficent* that is written by Linda Woolverton and directed by Robert Stomberg. This movie tells about a powerful fairy named maleficent lives in the moors. Mascal forest realm bordering a corrupt human kingdom, as a young girl, she best friends and fall in love with a human peasant boy named Stefan. Maleficent believes that a kiss from Stefan is true love kiss. But Stefan left her and he went search of his dream to the kingdom. Maleficent felt disappointed. In end of story, Stefan married the daughter of king. In this research, the writer made this movie as a data because in the movie there are speech act of directive.

By analyzing data on speech act of directive. The writer hope determines the use and role of the speech act of directive in daily conversation. And the writer is interested to analyzed the types of speech act of directive, and the communication strategies used by the speaker are speech act of directive in the *Maleficent* movie.

### **1.2** Identification of the Problem

There are some problems that are found when the writer tries to analyze the movie. The writer used linguistics approach to do research especially in pragmatics. The writer chose speech act theory to conducting research. Related to this, speech act is divided into five: representative, declarative, commisive, directive, expressive. In the directive, there are some of types are command, suggestion, request, invite, interrogate, forbid, ask, advice. They can be used to analyze the movie.

## **1.3** Limitation of the Problem

This research is limited to discuss directive speech act from how are they constructed and how are they used in the movie. In addition, the writer limits speech act of directive only in the *Maleficent* movie that only focus on analyzing the types of directive speech acts and the communication strategies used by the speaker.

### **1.4** Formulation of the Problem

In this research, the writer formulates the problems into some questions, as follow:

- 1. What are the types of speech act of directive used by the character in movie *Maleficent*?
- 2. What are the communication strategies that is used by the speakers in movie *Maleficent*?

## **1.5** Purpose of the Research

Based on the formulation of the problems above, the writer has some purposes of this research:

1. To describe the types of speech act of directive contained in the maleficent movie.

## **1.6** Significance of the Research

The significance of the research are to add and to enrich the readers knowledge and understanding about pragmatics, especially about speech act that focus on the analysis of speech act of directive. It is also to help the reader easy to understand about speech act in the movie itself.