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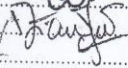
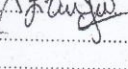
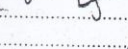
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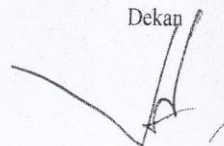
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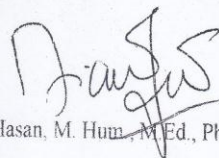
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ABSTRACT

This research aims to describe metaphorical expressions of joy based on conceptual theory proposed by Lakoff and Johnson (1980). The propose of this research is to find how joy are expressed metaphorically and to examine the types of joy expressions in different song lyrics. The writer analyzed 22 songs in terms of the primary emotion of JOY classified by Parrot (2001) that covers cheerfulness(cheerfulness, joviality), zest (zest), contentment (contentment), and optimism (hope).Qualitative method was used in analyzing the data.Based on the analysis the writer founda number of types of JOY emotion, such as cheerfulness (7), zest (1), contentment (1), and optimism (1).Then, the result shows how JOY are expressed metaphorically, in terms of JOY is the sky full of stars, JOY is Light up the path, JOY is love, JOY is sunshine,JOY is firework, JOY is carousel, JOY is drink and drug, JOY is on fire, JOY is rainbow, and JOY is paradise.As a result, the findings can give the contribution to the readers to see that there are various ways to convey the primary emotion of JOYmetaphorically instead of literally and to inspire people or linguist to study other basic emotions linguistically in deep.

Keywords : basic emotion, JOY, metaphorical expressions

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CHAPTER I

INTRODUCTION

1.1 Background of The Problems

Everyday language is colored with metaphors. We used metaphors when we find it difficult to describe a thing or an experience. Metaphor is a figurative language that describes something with a direct comparison with a very deep meaning.

According to Lakoff and Johnson (1980) metaphor is a way of conceiving of one thing with other thing and its primary function is to understanding. They also state that metaphor is a device of poetic imagination and rhetorical flourish. It can be expressed metaphorically. Lakoff (1987) also said that metaphor is the expression of an understanding of one concept in terms of another concept, where there is some similarity or correlation between the two.

Lakoff and Johnson (1980) claim that metaphor is of the mind, the brain, and the body. Many people who are familiar with Lakoff's view of metaphor expect that conceptual metaphors are largely or mostly universal. It seems that several unrelated languages may share several conceptual metaphors for particular emotion concepts. One of these emotion concepts is happiness. There is a large number of conceptual metaphors for happiness in English (Kovecses, 1991) but three of them stand out in importance: "Happiness Is Up" "I'm feeling up", "Happiness Is Light" "She brightened up", and "Happiness Is A Fluid In A Container" "He's bursting with joy".

In addition, people usually show her / his attitude through the emotion. Where, the emotion by every people is different. It depends on something that they face. According to Parrot (2001) emotional reactions can involve changes in thinking, behavior, physiology, and expression. Emotion can be expressed by verbal, such as in “the words or phrase” and nonverbal, using “attitude, behavior, gesture, body language, and face.

According to Merriam Webster Dictionary, emotion is a strong feeling such as love, anger, joy, hate, or fear. But, in this study, the writer just focuses about the joy. Joy involves cheerfulness, zest, contentment, pride, optimism, enthrallment, and relief (Parrot, 2001).

Furthermore, according to Merriam Webster Dictionary, joy is a feeling of great happiness, a source or cause of great happiness : something or someone that gives joy to someone. Look at the following examples of joy emotions quoted from Lakoff and Johnsen (2003):

(1) “I’m feeling *up*”

(2) “My spirits *rose*”

In the example (1-2), it can be seen that the word “up” refers to the joy expression that concerns to someone’s feels happy because she / he has a high level about something that is in good condition. The next example is “rose”, condition when a person who has a spirit increases.

Each individual has a different way of expressing ideas and thoughts through the joy expression. Ideas and thoughts may be either written or spoken. By writing the lyrics, people can easily express complaints or stories that can not be

expressed verbally. The song lyrics form of language that results from communication between song writer with lovers community song. Song is an expression of the inner person about something good that has been seen, heard, or experienced.

According to River (1987) song is an expression of human feelings and is listened by people, as well as symbol of joy and sadness. The song lyrics show the feeling or experience of the songwriter, can also in the events seen in the vicinity. Because of that, everybody loves to listen and sing a song to evoke their emotions. The writer is interested to discuss about metaphorical expressions in a song lyrics. These song lyrics can be found in few of famous western bands and singers famous. Why the writer chooses the bands and singers? Because, there are so many metaphorical expressions of joy that the writer finds in the song lyrics.

Metaphor has been analyzed by a number of researchers. For example, Fadhil (2012) analyzed about the metaphorical expression in Dream Theater's album Images and Words. Liu and Li (2016) analyzed to reveal the cognitive characteristics of the emotional metaphorical system in English and Chinese. Mashak, Pazhakh, and Hayati (2012) discussed about cultural differences in conceptualizing these five basic emotions- namely anger, happiness, sadness, fear, and love in English and Persian.

Marista (2013) her findings are focus on the occurrence of metaphor in daily conversation in Minangkabau language. Risdianto (2013) has conducted the research about conceptual metaphor which is found in Barrack Obama's

inauguration speech. Yuditha (2010) conducting a study about metaphor describing anger in ELT.

Yanti (2013) analyzed verbal communication in the presidential debates and she found that there are several prominent emotions of the presidential debate as a basic emotions which expressed by Obama and McCain in the debates. In addition, Yanti (2015) also discussed emotions in her other research. She evaluated Sadness Expressions in English and Minangkabau. She discussed the literal words to express the sadness in Minangkabau and English language.

This research, the writer analyzes the metaphorical expressions of joy found in different song lyrics. The previous writing gives many contributions to this research because they also discuss about metaphor even though in different data. But, in this research by the writer, it is different with them because the writer discusses about the metaphor of joy expression as found in song lyrics and focus on classified some types of joy expressions.

1.2 Problems and Limitation of The Problems

The writer wants to analyze the figurative language in different song lyrics such as metaphor, emotion, joy expression, meaning and context. In this study, not only about the style of figurative language that will be used, but also metaphors that will be discussed.

In addition, in this research, the writer focuses only on metaphorical expressions. Metaphorical expressions can be analyzed from the literary novels, poetry, short stories, films, and others. But the writer only focuses on the song

lyrics. The writer limits only language expressing joy metaphorically will be analysed in this research.

1.3 Formulation of The Problems

From the limitation of the problem, the writer formulates the problem of the study as follow :

1. How joy are expressed metaphorically in different song lyrics?
2. What is the types of joy expressions in different song lyrics?

1.4 Purpose of The Research

There are some specific purpose that they are :

1. To find how joy are expressed metaphorically in different song lyrics.
2. To examine the types of joy expressions in different song lyrics.

1.5 Significance of the Research

The significance of the research is to add and to enrich the reader's knowledge and understanding about semantics, especially about figurative language, focusing on metaphorical expressions of joy. It is also to help the reader easily to interpret the text and also to understand the real meaning of the text it self. In addition, the writer hopes that this study can provide more knowledge for the writer and the reader in understanding and analyzing of metaphorical expressions in the lyrics.