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ABSTRACT

This research study aims to identify slang words used in the Scary Movie and the purpose of the research describe the types of slang, context and meaning. Slang is informal language that created and used by a particular group of people in a community. The development of slang language is influenced by dynamic changes of meaning in any periods and the phenomenon of language that occur in the community. The writer answers research question by using data analysis. First, this is about types of slang that the writer theory uses Coleman (2014), second, this is about the theory of meaning uses which is explained by Kerraf (1986:28) for denotative meaning and Kerraf (1986:45) for connotative meaning, and the last research question about the context is from Crabtree (1991:223). Theoretically, this research give a contribution to linguistic study especially on Sociolinguistics that exist in Scary Movie. The method used in this study was the qualitative method. Based on the analysis, it is found that there are two forms of slang; word and phrase. The types of slang can be seen in this movie such as teenager slang, vulgar slang, sex slang and hip hop slang. Slang can be a contribution in the development language that probably it will be a new english vocabularies in the future.

Keyword: slang, contexts, types of slang, meaning

CHAPTER I

INTRODUCTION

1.1 Background of the Problem

Talking about language must be related to social life, language has an important function to all societies, language is a way to interact between one person to another person especially in a communication they can understand each other. Generally, teenagers frequently produce new vocabulary which is grammatically simple in daily communication. Usually, teenagers more often use language that is easy to understand which is Slang. According to Holmes (1992), that this language variation is a pattern of youth speech; people can find slang words in teenagers' conversation from all around the world (as cited in Pradianti, 2013). It means that slang is informal language and this language can be understood by group of people especially teenagers. In addition, particular group of people like students show that slang language is socially important especially for students in high school and universities, it can be seen that their characters by clothing and hair styles and the kinds of music they listen. Because of the social life that exists in each status social group with different language styles.

On the other hand, talking about slang often portray the character in determining the identity of the group, which happens at the community level as a small group or a large group of friends for the entire nation. Slang also takes an

important role in the language learning, while people are studying a language it is important to understand how to use the language. People in society should carefully using slang when speaking in public to avoid of misunderstanding communication.

Meanwhile, learning a language means learning the culture. Nowadays, slang is often used in western movie especially American movie. Teenagers film is usually used slang language, because teenagers are the group of society which most often use it. This is social phenomenon teenagers at the time, one of which is the use of slang language.

Slang is an important aspect in American culture. It is more effective than standard or conventional English to describing sport, sex, and intoxication in daily conversation. American Slang, according to Flexner (1966) in *The New Dictionary of American Slang* (as cited in Ningrum, 2009) is the body of words and expressions frequently used by or intelligible to a large portion of the general American public, but not accepted as good, formal usage by the majority. (<http://www.pbs.org/speak/words/sezwho/global/slang>)

If we talk about slang, it means that we also talk about teenagers of creativity. Teenagers prefer to speak slang language because teenagers more easy and unique language to understand. Slang variation of this can be found of media such as newspaper, magazines, novel, comic, television, lyrics music and daily conversation. According to Claire (1990:4) slang is term that is used by people in social situation where they feel comfortable with their friends. Slang usually used in non formal

situation. It can make a conversation becomes more intimate. Slang term is used in almost oral language and usually used to express people's feelings and creativities (as cited in Wahyudi, 2015). Slang is unique to be used in the daily conversation, especially when it is uses slang informal conversation. Slang expressions can be found in the art works and entertainment subjects such as novel, drama, poetry, song lyrics, movie, and many others. Therefore, many American slang expressions are found in some movies, especially comedy movie.

In this the research the writer decides to analyze slang from Scary Movie, this movie is horror comedy parody film there are conversation in the movie which are able to show what is happening the situation, the setting, and the people who are directly involved in the certain conversation. Based on those phenomena, the researcher interests to analyze the change of slang word as found in the Scary Movie. In order to see the changing of slang word itself, the written data should be used.

In the Scary movie, it can be seen the informal language used like slang words. The informal language usually uses a uniqueness words. This movie needs to be studied scientifically to be able to understand about the meaning and context of the slang from the movie.

Beside that, the reason which makes the writer feels very interested to do research reason for using slang make a fun language, slang is easier to understand, to be humor, friends like use slang and for group identity. Scary Movie directed by Keenen Ivory Wayans is an American actor, comedian, film marker, and a member of

the Wayans Family of entertainers. One of these films, Scary Movie (2000) was the highest-grossing movie ever directed by an African American until it was surpassed by Tim Story's Fantastic Four in 2005. So, the writer interested in explaining about the Slang words in the movie.

1.2 Identification the Problem

There are some different meaning of slang, the types of slang and describe the reason of using slang words theories related to slang. The function of slang words regarding influence of social factors such as social distance, social status, age, gender and the occupation. The writer wants to analyze what types of slang words in the data. The problem of this research focus on slang language which is used in Scary Movie.

1.3 Limitation of the Problems

The writer can limit on the analysis this research method in the process to collect information and the data. In this study the research can be divided taken from Scary Movie script or conversation screen capture dialogue. This research is analyzing slang words utterance from the actors in the movie and the writer limit slang words such as teenager slang, vulgar slang, sex slang and hip hop slang to be analyzed from the data.

1.4 Formulation of the Problems

Based on the identification and focus the study in research that is problem research question as follow:

1. What are the types of slang words on Scary Movie dialogue?
2. What are the meaning of slang words found in the Scary Movie?
3. What are the context of using slang words in the Scary Movie?

1.5 Purpose of the Research

Based on explanation above, there are three purpose of this research:

1. To identify the types of slang used in the dialogues
2. To analyze the meanings of american slang used in the Scary Movie
3. To describe the function of context slang words in Scary Movie

1.6 Significance of the Research

The writer hope the readers understand about slang words especially on Scary Movie for readers to found a new vocabulary of slang. Next researches can be used as reference for further research and continue to analyze slang language for who interest in analyzing of slang. Futhermore, for the students the writer hopes this research can increase more knowledge about slang.