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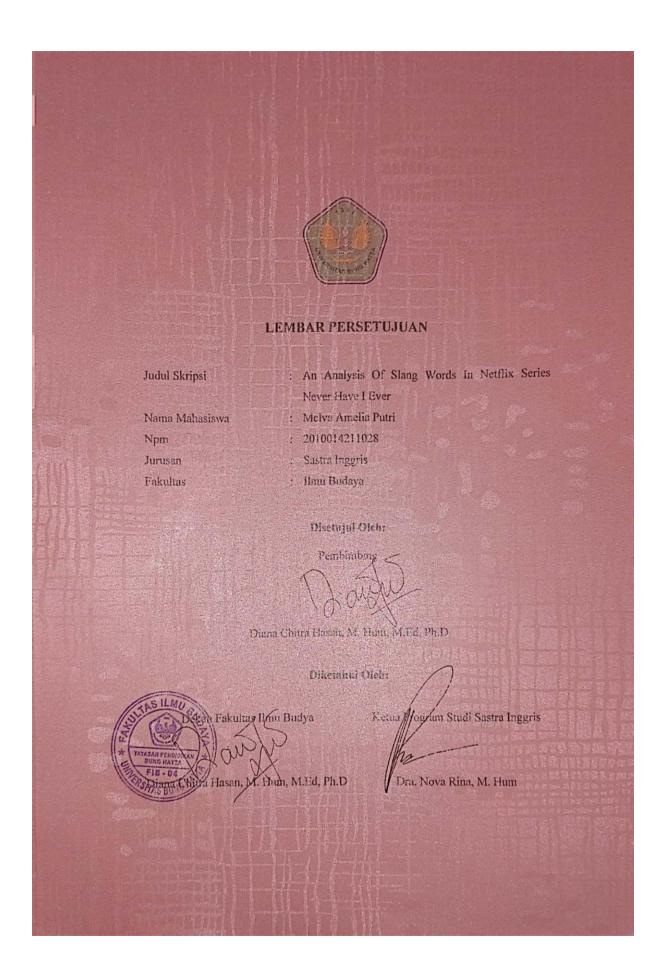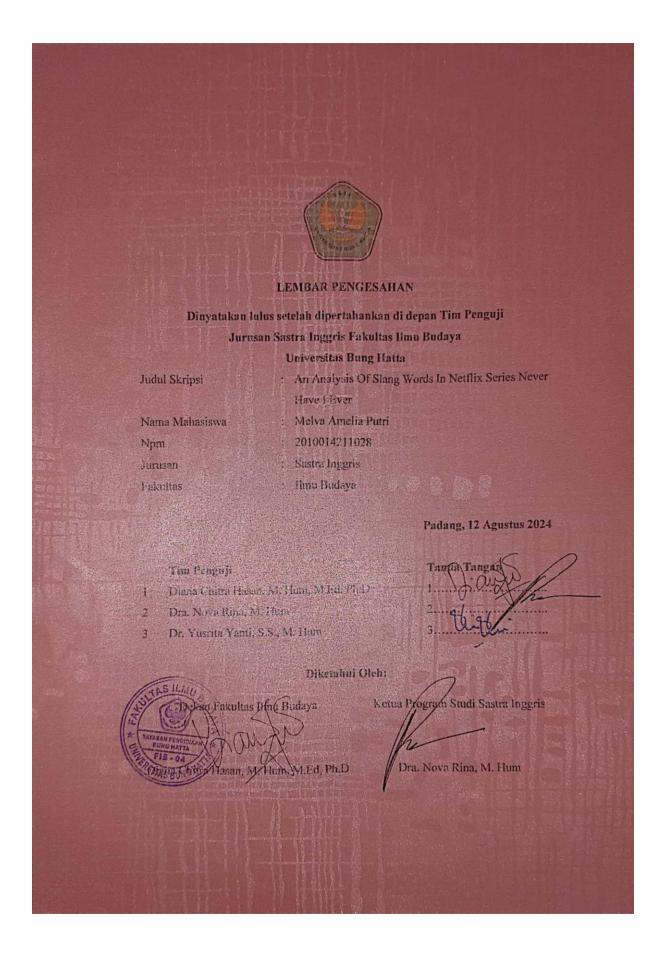*The English Department Faculty of Humanities*
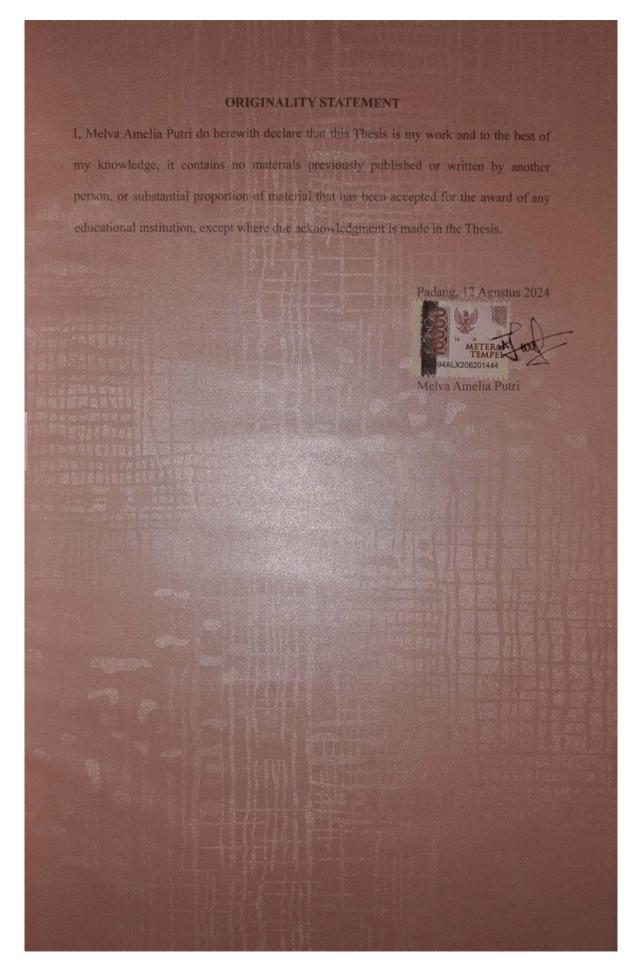
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ABSTRACT

This study analyzes the slang word used in Season 1 of the Netflix series *Never Have I Ever* Season 1. The writer applied qualitative descriptive approaches to analyze the data. This study uses Mattiello's theory in examining the word formation processes and divides social functions of slang words into six interconnected categories. The purpose of this study is to identifying and categorizing slang words based on their word formation processes and social functions. The writer found 53 slang word used by the character in Netflix series *Never Have I Ever*. The writer identified seven distinct processes out of 16 words formation process from Mattiello's theory: 7 instances of compounding, 10 instances of clipping, 4 instances of acronym or abbreviation, 27 instances of semantic shift, 1 instance of reduplicative formation, 1 instance of variation, 1 instance of prefixation, and 2 instances of fanciful formation. In this study, writer also categorized slang words into their social function, that 8 terms serve the function of group identity, 10 for in-group communication, 2 for group solidarity, 15 for expressing attitudes and emotions, 6 for rebellion and resistance, and 12 for creativity and innovation. This research contributes to a deeper understanding of how contemporary slang operates within specific media contexts.

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