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❖ There is a will, there is a way

❖ If you can dream it, you can do it (Walt Disney)

❖ Learn as much as you can while you are young, since life becomes too busy later. ~ Dana Stewart Scott

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ABSTRACT


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Mass media plays an important role in human’s lives. Human almost learns everything they know through mass media. One of mass media is newspaper. Opinion column as the one of the columns in the editorial page of newspaper consisting of articles related to the public interests bears the social function of discussing an issue developing in the society, and gives some opinions and recommendations. The text of opinion column in newspaper must be understandable for human in heterogeneous community. In this case, I would like to make this text more understandable. Gerot and Wignell(1995:10) state that knowing the context of situation made the utterance intelligible.

The main objective of this research is to know the Context of Situation in The Opinion Column of The Jakarta Post on February 13 and February 18, 2013 Edition. This objective divided into two minor objectives. They are (a)To describe the transitivity, mood and theme system in The Opinion Column of The Jakarta Post on February 13 and February 18, 2013 Edition (b)To find the field, tenor and mode in The Opinion Column of The Jakarta Post on February 13 and February 18, 2013 Edition.

This is a qualitative research. the data is text and clause in opinion column which written by Montty Giriana (economy) and Aboeprijadi Santoso (politics) as the regular contributors in The Jakarta Post. The data source of this research is opinion column published in www.thejakartapost.com (electronic version) and The Jakarta Post paper edition which entitled “The need for a national strategic petroleum reserve”( written by Giriana and publish on Wednesday, February 13 2013) and “‘Anis and Anas’: A controversial tale of two parties”( written by Santoso and publish on Monday, February 18 2013).

The result shows the context of situation which is found in opinion column; Field, Tenor and Mode. The Field of text centrally concern with action and events that is seen from material processes that is dominantly. The Tenor in opinion column is between the writer and reader, the status power is not equal, the affect is low to the reader and the contact is occasional or only at the moment. It can be seen from the dominant of declarative moods. The Mode in opinion column is written. It can be shown from the dominant of topical theme.

At the end, I suggest to the students of English Education Department of Teacher Training and Education Faculty, Muria Kudus University and the further researchers, they should pay attention on the theory of context of situation. Then for teachers and lecturers, they should be aware in explaining the context of situation theory which is studied in Functional Grammar. They also should use interesting media to enrich the students’ knowledge in teaching learning process.
ABSTRAKSI


Kata kunci: *Functional Grammar, Konteks situai, Rubrik Opini*


Tujuan utama enelitian ini adalah untuk mengetahui Konteks situasi pada rubric opini di Jakarta Post edisi 13 Pebruari dan 18 Pebruari 2013. Tujuan ini terbagi atas dua tujuan khusus yaitu: (a)untuk mendeskripsikan Transitivity, Mood dan system theme Theme pada rubric opini di Jakarta Post edisi 13 Pebruari dan 18 Pebruari 2013 (b)Untuk menemukan Field, Tenor dan Mode pada rubric opini di Jakarta Post edisi 13 Pebruari dan 18 Pebruari 2013.


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