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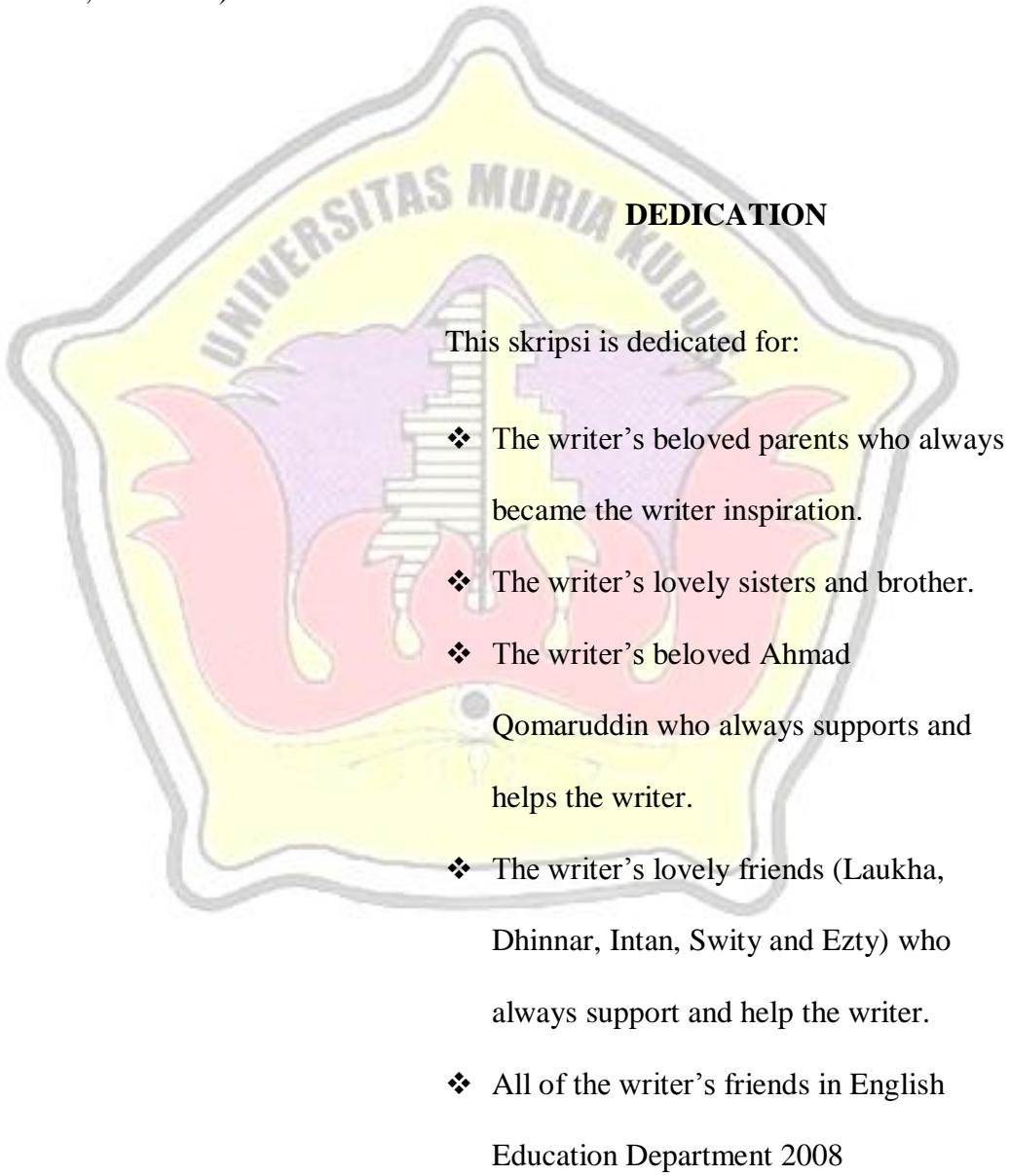
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The best lesson is abstraction in living

that has exceeded success with

resoluteness, soul and accuracy

(Ibrahim, 1999:159)



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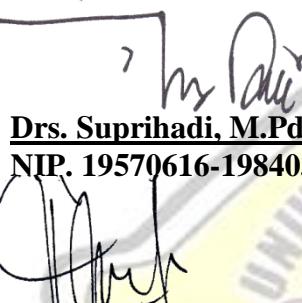
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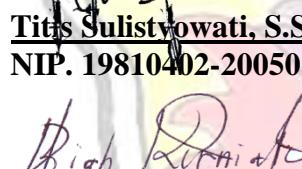
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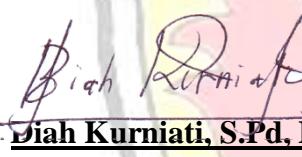
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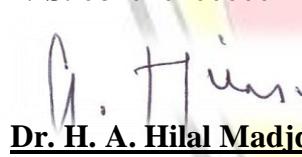
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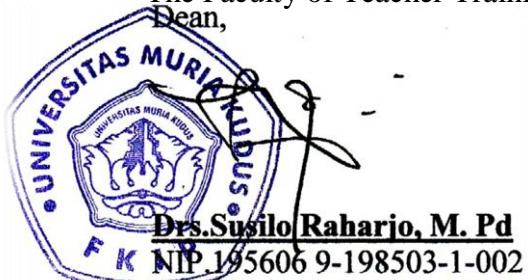

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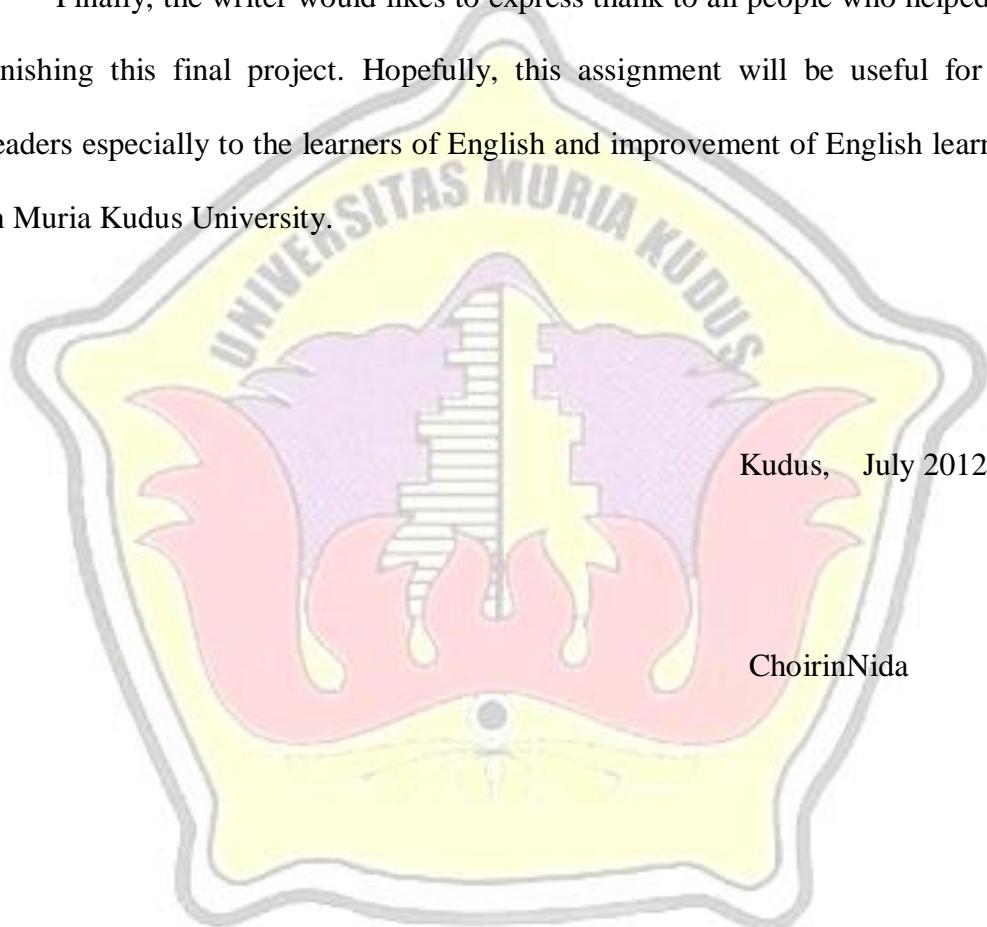
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ABSTRACT

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In this globalization era, mastering English is so important moreover we are as the Indonesians whose country is still developing. Writing becomes one of the difficult skills that must be mastered by the students. Many students in SMP 02 Gebog still have poor ability in four skills, especially in writing. Those reasons because when they write something, they must pay attention in many things, including ideas, concepts, vocabulary and grammar. Other factor of students' difficulties in writing text is the media of teaching. The English teacher in SMP 02 Gebog seldom uses a media in teaching English. It can make the students feel bored because there is no variation. The students also are difficult to understand the material because there is no tool that can help them.

Objective of the Research is to explain how using Silent Film can improve the writing ability of the eighth grade students of SMP 02 Gebog in the academic year 2011/2012 or not.

In this research, the writer decides to conduct classroom action research. Here the writer uses collaborative action research. The writer collaborates with English teacher in SMP 02 Gebog to conduct this research. The technique of collecting data is by using achievement test and observation sheet. An interview is also done to know the students' and teacher's problem so the writer can know the teacher's and students' difficulties in teaching writing.

The results of tests show that the students' mean score in the writing cycle I were 64.45%. It means that the test was not successful. On the other hand, the writer continues to cycle II. In the writing of cycle II, the students' achievement reached 73.5%. Although the average score is upper than KKM, there are still some students that failed. It means that the test was not successful. In cycle III, the students' achievement reached 80.58%. It means that the test was successful and all of students pass the test. So the writer concludes that silent film can improve the students' writing ability.

However, the writer suggests the teacher should careful in choosing the film that will be used as an alternative teaching media. The teacher should pay attention on sequence type, familiarity, length, students' interest, the objective of teaching, etc. This research will give some useful information about teaching writing by using silent film. It becomes more interesting for the students to produce the text by visualization of this film.

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Di era globalisasi sekarang, pemahaman bahasa inggris menjadi sangat penting terlebih lagi kita sebagai bangsa Indonesia yang sedang berkembang. Menulis menjadi salah satu keahlian yang sulit untuk dipelajari siswa. Kebanyakan siswa di SMP 02 Gebog empat keahliannya itu masih lemah, khususnya di menulis. Hal itu karena, ketika mereka manulis sesuatu, mereka harus memperhatikan beberapa elemen yang meliputi ide, konsep, pembendaharaan kata dan struktur kata. Faktor lain dari kesulitan siswa dalam menulis teks adalah media pembelajaran. Guru bahasa Inggris di SMP 02 Gebog jarang sekali menggunakan media dipelajaran bahasa Inggris. Hal itu dapat membuat siswa merasa bosan karena tidak ada variasi. Siswa juga sulit untuk memahami materi karena tidak ada alat yang membantu mereka.

Tujuan dari penelitian ini adalah untuk menjelaskan bagaimana penggunaan Silent Film dapat meningkatkan kemampuan menulis siswa di kelas delapan di SMP 02 Gebog pada tahun ajaran 2011/2012 atau tidak.

Di dalam penelitian ini, penulis menentukan untuk melaksanakan penelitian tindak kelas. Penulis berkolaborasi dengan guru bahasa Inggris di SMP 02 Gebog untuk melaksanakan penelitian ini. Teknik dari pengumpulan data adalah dengan menggunakan test penilaian dan lembar observasi. Sebuah interview juga dilakukan untuk mengetahui masalah dari siswa dan guru, jadi penulis dapat mengetahui kesulitan-kesulitan siswa dan guru dalam pengajaran menulis.

Hasil dari test menunjukkan bahwa rata-rata nilai siswa dalam menulis di siklus I adalah 64.45%. Hal itu berarti bahwa test tersebut tidak sukses. Dengan kata lain, penulis melanjutkan kesiklus ke-II. Dalam siklus ke-II menulis, prestasi siswa yang dicapai 73.5%. Meskipun nilai rata-rata siswa diatas dari KKM, di sana masih ada beberapa siswa yang gagal. Hal itu berarti bahwa test tersebut tidak berhasil. Dalam siklus ke-III, prestasi siswa mencapai 80.33%. Hal itu berarti test tersebut berhasil dan semua siswa lulus test tersebut. Jadi penulis menyimpulkan bahwa silent film dapat meningkatkan kemampuan menulis siswa.

Bagaimanapun, penulis menyarankan guru seharusnya berhati-hati dalam pemilihan film yang akan digunakan sebagai sebuah alternatif media pengajaran. Guru seharusnya juga memperhatikan di dalam tipe rangkaian, keakraban, panjang, ketertarikan siswa, tujuan pengajaran dan lain-lain. Penelitian ini akan memberikan beberapa informasi yang berguna tentang pengajaran menulis dengan menggunakan silent film. Hal itu menjadi lebih menarik untuk siswa dalam membuat teks dengan penggambaran dari film tersebut.

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