

CHAPTER 1

INTRODUCTION

This chapter discusses introduction of the research, the statement of the problem, the objective of the research, the significance of the research and scope of the research.

1.1. Background of the Research

As we know that English is a subject that taught as a foreign language. Mostly, the Indonesian student has studied English since Elementary School level. The student at University level has gotten many English lessons because they study English since the lowest level of education.

In English there is some chapter that discuss about modality. In this chapter, we discuss of the modal verbs and the using of them. If we stand in front of the lecturer and we are going to ask permission to sit, we can use one of modal verb to make our request polite.

In other case modality is so useful for the speaker to strengthen his or her message. Most of speaker who is speaking in front of the audience is willing to deliver their message clearly. The using of modality at the speech moment is so important to deliver our impress.

Halliday(1994:88) defines ,”Modality is the intermediate degree between the positive and the negative poles”. The researcher use the term of modality to refer o all positioning by speaker about probability, usuallity, obligation and inclination. Modality consist of two types ;modalization and modulation. Modalization is the preposition modality used in a clause which gives information.

Modality belongs to Functional Grammar and it is learnt in English Education Departement . Functional Grammar is one of subject that must be fulfilled by the students. Functional Grammar focuses on the using of language. It is also used to describe the relationship between grammatical structure and meaning. Modality needs to be learnt by students of English Education Departement because it can be played as a tool to smooth the way of speaking (making conversation). Modality is represented through probability, usuallity, obligation and inclination. Modality can be used both in spoken and written language.

Based on the function of modality above, the researcher choose Retno Marsudi’s speech text entitled” Partner for peace, security, prosperity” that is delivered at January 11,2018 by Foreign Minister , Mrs. Retno Marsudi. The researcher choose tis text because Foreign Minister talk about the contribution of Indonesia to create “peace, security and prosperity”. It

has been international issues that spoken by the people all over the world. For example about conflict in Jerusalem and the clash in Myanmar (Rohingnya) etc.

As a non permanent member of security council of United Nation, Indonesia has contributed to against the clash between the countys, ethincs,etc in order to create world peace.

As a pioneer of Non Block Movement, Indonesia has inspired and moved countrys in the worlds to stop humanity abuse case in the wold.

The researcher has high curiosity to know the modality that include at her speech text to know her impress and to make conclusion.

1.2. Statement of the Problems

Based on the background of the research above, the following statement of the problems can be formulated as :

1. What are the types of modality found in the Retno Marsudi's speech text entitled "Partner for Peace, Security and Prosperity"?
2. What are the functions of modality found in the Retno Marsudi's speech text entitled "Partner for Peace, Security and Prosperity"?

1.3. Objective of the Researches

Based on the statement of the problem above, the researcher's objectives are to find out :

1. To know type of modality realized in the Retno Marsudi's speech text entitled "Partner for Peace, Security and Prosperity"
2. To know the functions of of modality found in the Retno Marsudi's speech text entitled "Partner for Peace, Security and Prosperity"

1.4. Significance of the Researches

By doing the research, the researcher expects that the research will give benefit:

1. To provide references for the students of English Education Departement who are going to analyze types of modality.
2. To share knowledge and information to the readers how to make interpretation from written and spoken text through analyzing the modality.

1.5. Scope of the Research

From the statement of the problem above, it is necessary to limit the research to make it clear.

This research focuses on the analyzing of modality of Retno Marsudi's speech text entitled "Partner for peace, security , prosperity". The main theory of this research is based on the theory of systemic functional grammar stated by Halliday.

Systemic Functional Grammar is a grammar model developed by Halliday (1994) which takes a functional approach to grammar, analyzing language as a social-semiotic of communicative meaning-making. This research only focusses on types of modality and degree of modality found in "Partner for peace, security, prosperity" speech text.

1.6. Operational Definitions

1. Analysis is the process of breaking a complex topic or substance into smaller parts in order to gain a better understanding of it.
2. Modality refers to the area of meaning that lies between yes and no – the intermediate ground between positive and negative polarity.
3. Speech is the ability to express the idea and opinion in form of spoken in front of audiences.
4. "Partner for peace, security, prosperity" is the title of speech text that delivered by Retno Marsudi (Indonesian Foreign Minister Affair) in Jakarta on January, 11st 2018.

