

CHAPTER I

INTRODUCTION

The content of this chapter covers the background of the research, the statement of the problem, the objective of the research, the significance of the research, the scope of the research, and operational definition.

1.1 Background of the Research

English is one of the international languages that very important to learn especially in Indonesia. In Indonesia, English become the foreign language of communication and it is taught as a foreign language from junior high school to university. English is the international language used to communicate. As a result, mastering English is a necessity for everyone who wants to access information throughout the world. Almost all publications published in English. Journals, magazines, books and many others are mostly written in English. For this reason, most people must learn English.

At present translation activities continue to become more important practices, especially in Indonesia and in approaching the era of globalization, translation activities have great benefits in developing knowledge or science as well as in international cultural exchanges. Translation not only changes one language to another, but also provides the right information to convey the content well. According to Newmark in Pujiati (2017) translating the meaning of text into other languages by the author's intent. The concept expressed by Newmark refers more to translating not only diverting messages from the source language to the target language but must understand the target language that the author wants to convey to avoid mistakes.

General Translation class is one of elective subject for the fourth semester students of English Education Department of UniversitasMuria Kudus. In this class, the students are given experiences to translate article,

journal, book, and so on. Many students of English Education Department used the services of Google translate to help them as an of their tools to help them with their translation. Google Translate is a media that serves a service of online translation from Google. Google Translate is a solution to human limitation in mastering foreign language. It is very helpful for users to translate foreign language when it is difficult to understand.

From Language Connections: The Pros and Cons of Google Translate vs. Professional Translation (<https://www.languageconnections.com/blog/the-pros-cons-of-google-translate/>) stated that Google Translate has positive impact for students. They can learn pronunciation, easy and fast to used, it able to translate more than 100languages worldwide, it can help them to translate words, sentences, or even text from one language to another language. Therefore, almost of students choose to use Google Translate to help them in translating process.

The researcher also had trouble with translating when in school. Confusing with meanings of words or sentence, then the researcher choose to translate with Google translate. This is also the reason why the researcher conducts this study. The researcher wants to know the students perception about Google Translate and how the result of it to help them translating in general translation class. It is related with the previous research that conducted by Maria Yanti and Lesly Martha C. Meka (2019) about the students' perception in using Google Translate as a media in translation class. The result shows that most students use Google Translate for translating sentence by sentence and to enrich students' vocabulary. Almost students realized that Google Translate could not to be good media without rechecking.

There are some previous researches about students' perception on using Google Translate. First, Lam Kok Wei (2021) the result of the

research show that most of the students often use Google Translate and acknowledge the convenience and useful of Google Translate in their language. Another research, Hidyra Maulida (2017) the result of the research show that most of the students use Google Translate to help them in translating English material. They can translate faster and complete their assignment.

Based on the explanation above, the researcher wants to know the perception of the fourth semester students' of English Education Department of Universitas Muria Kudus on using Google Translate in General Translation class.

1.2 Statement of the Problem

Based on the background of the research above, the statement of the problem can formulate as follows:

1. What are the perceptions of the fourth semester students of English Education Department of Universitas Muria Kudus on using Google Translate in General Translation class?
2. How do the students use Google Translate in translating?

1.3 Objective of the Research

Based on statement of the problem above, the objective of the research are:

1. To describe the perception of the fourth semester students of English Education Department of Universitas Muria Kudus on using Google Translate in General Translation class.
2. To find out how students use Google Translate in translating.

1.4 Significance of the Research

By doing the research, researcher hopes this research will be beneficial theoretically and practically.

1. Theoretically, it is hoped that this research can be used as one of the references by the next researcher who will conduct the similar research
2. Practically,
For the students, this research hopes can give motivation and they can more easily improve their translating skill especially by using Google Translate wisely.

1.5 Scope of the Research

This research is limited on analyzing students' perception on using Google Translate in General Translation class and students use Google Translate in translating in fourth semester at English Education Department of Universitas Muria Kudus.

1.6 Operational Definition

Avoid misunderstanding; some terms are defined as follow:

1. Perception is process gathering information about world through our sense.
2. Google Translate is one of translate machine as facilities from Google.
3. General Translation class is an elective class for the fourth semester students of English Education Department of Universitas Muria Kudus.