

CHAPTER 1

INTRODUCTION

In this chapter, the researcher discusses the background of this research. This section consists of four parts, it includes research background, statements of problem, objective of the research and significance of the research.

1.1 Background of the Research

Language is the first thing that humans learn when they are born, and parents begin teaching their children how to speak in it because it is an important tool for expressing people's thoughts, whether spoken or written.

It is unsurprising that English is a popular language that has evolved into an international language for many nations. Because of the popularity of English, many people want to learn the language, and most Indonesian schools provide English as a second or foreign language.

One of the most difficult aspects of learning English is developing a vocabulary. People frequently struggle to understand English vocabulary, particularly native speaker vocabulary that cannot be translated literally. Such expressions, whether phrases or sentences, have meanings that grammar theories cannot explain. This is an idiom, which is a unique feature of the English language. An idiom, according to many linguists, is a fixed expression that cannot be translated literally and whose meaning is not found in common dictionaries.

When heard and spoken, idiom becomes an interesting expression, but it can be a difficult learning phase for students learning English as a second or foreign language. However, idiom research must be applied in English classes. Furthermore, if a second language student does not learn idioms, they will not recognize them when they are used by others or will be unable to understand what the speakers are saying. Furthermore, idioms will be more attractive because they

are pleasant to hear, and they should be included in the teaching and learning of foreign languages.

Idioms (idiomatic expressions) are a type of informal language in which the meaning of the words in the expression is different from the meaning of the words in the expression. In Oxford Advanced Learner's Dictionary (2010), it is stated that idiom is group of words whose meaning is different from the meanings of the individual words. As cited in Butarbutar, (2020) argues that idiomatic expressions (idioms) are multi-word phrases which that combines the literal senses of the individual words in each phrase.

Based of those background movie becomes a proper media for leaning idiomatic expressions and the researcher choose *Avengers: Infinity War* movie due to this millennial era mostly teenagers love action, adventure or even sci-fi movie. The researcher choose this movie become a proper media to get students interest in learning idiomatic expression.

This research referred to some relevant previous research. The previous research was conducted by Zaid, (2019) entitled "*An Analysis of Idiomatic Expression Used by Characters in Hotel Transylvania Movies*". The next previous research was conducted by Subkhan (2018) entitled "*An Analysis of Idiomatic Expression Found on American Sniper Movie*". The last previous research was conducted by Haniah, (2020) entitled "*An Analysis of English Idiomatic Expression in The Freedom Writers Movie*".

Based on those previous study, it can be concluded that between the first research and the second research has a same theory they were used and also has a similar aims to find out the idiomatic expressions, classificcate the types of idiom according the theory that researcher uses and try to get the real meanings. In this research the researcher wants to study further by conducting research with the title: **An Analysis of Idiomatic Expressions in *Avengers: Infinity War* Movie**

1.2 Statement of the Problem

Based on the background above the researcher interested to analyze the idiomatic expression found in *Avengers: Infinity War* movie, thus the research questions are:

1. What types of idiomatic expressions and the real meaning are found in *Avengers: Infinity War* Movie?
2. What types of idiomatic expressions are mostly found in *Avengers: Infinity War* Movie?

1.3 Objective of the Research

Based on the research questions above, the objective of this research are:

1. To find out the types and the real meaning of idiomatic expressions found on *Avengers: Infinity War* Movie.
2. To find out the idiomatic expressions mostly found in *Avengers: Infinity War* Movie?

1.4 Significance of the Research

This study is expected to give benefit for students, english teacher and future researcher.

1. Theoretically

The result of the research is expected to be reference in teaching process especially in teaching idiomatic expressions.

2. Practically

- a. For students

This study is helpful to students as a source of basic media information for learning idioms, particularly in films and introduces students to idioms in movie dialogues that are based on real-life situations.

- b. For teachers

The teacher can use this resource to teach idiom and use this movie *Avengers: Infinity War* will be material in English teaching class especially teaching idiomatic expressions.

- c. For researcher

This research hopefully helps the researcher for knowing about the idiomatic expression and the meanings found on *Avengers: Infinity War* movie.

1.5 Scope of the Research

Because of the scope of this study, the researcher limits it only focusing on identifying the idiomatic expressions used in the movie *Avengers: Infinity War* based on McCarthy and O'Dell's theory.

Operational Definition

1. Idiomatic Expressions

Idiomatic expressions is a combination of words which has meaning different from the individual meaning.

2. Movie

Movie is media entertainment which uses audio visual communication to tell stories or information and stimulate audience imaginations with an unique experience.

3. *Avengers: Infinity War* Movie

Avengers: Infinity War is a 2018 American superhero film based on the Marvel Comics superhero team the Avengers. Produced by Marvel Studios and distributed by Walt Disney Studios Motion Pictures.

4. Idiomatic Expressions Meaning

The meaning of an expression is usually determined by the context in which it is used.