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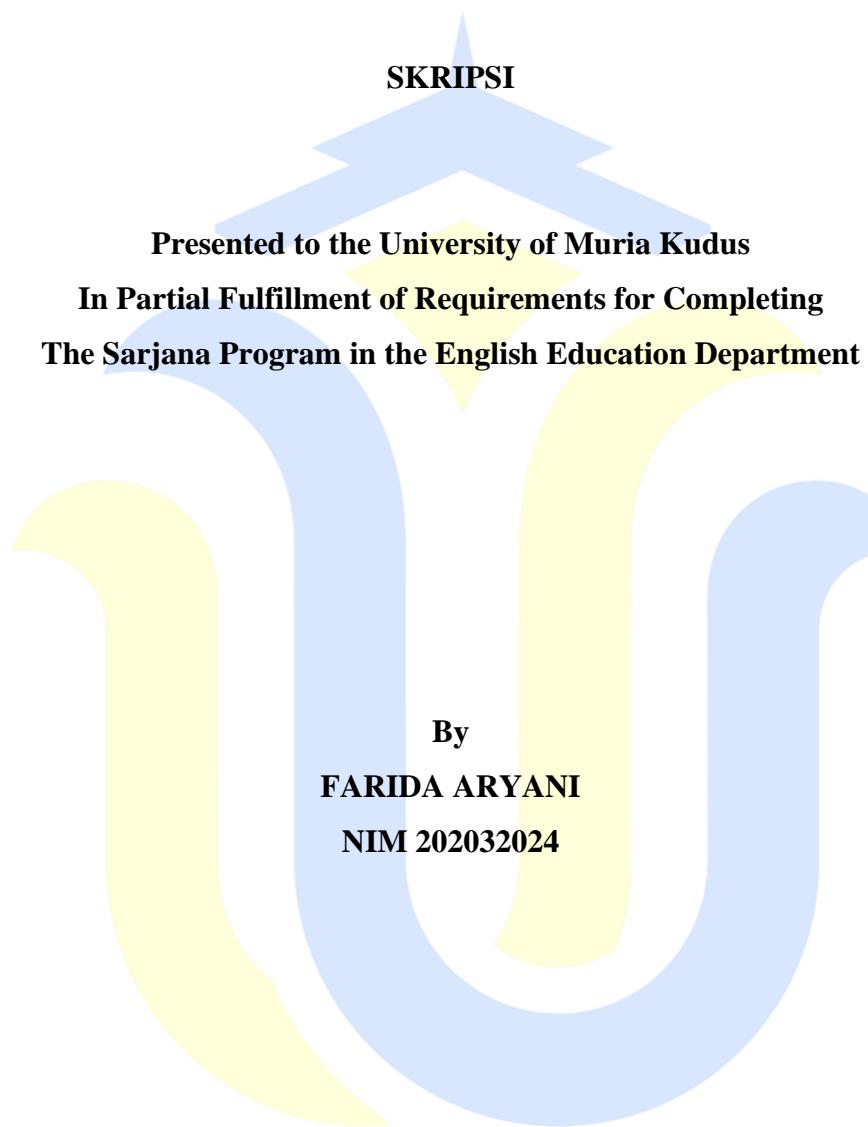
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*“So, surely, with hardship comes ease. Surely with hardship comes more ease.”*  
*(Al-Quran, 94:5-6)*

*“If you don’t take the risk, you don’t have the opportunities.”*

*“There are so many roads ahead. Even if the world spins the other way around,  
you and I are not losing our way. You and I will be walking straight.”*  
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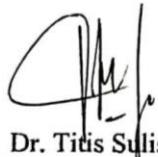
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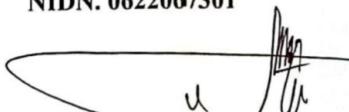
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## ABSTRACT

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**Key Words:** *English, Speaking, Difficulties, Factors, Speaking Practice.*

English is becoming essential in this quickly changing world because it is crucial for practically every aspect of life, especially communication. One of the skills in English that is very important in communication is speaking. Speaking is a skill that people can exchange information orally with others. This skill is a foundation for being able to communicate in English. However, many students still find it difficult to practice speaking English because it is not the mother tongue in Indonesia.

This study focused on exploring students' difficulties and the factors that cause them in English speaking practice. Grade 10 Accounting students at SMK PGRI 2 Kudus in the academic year 2023/2024 were the participants in this study.

The researcher used a descriptive qualitative research design with questionnaires and interviews as research instruments to collect data. The participants for this research were the tenth-grade Accounting class in SMK PGRI 2 Kudus in the 2023/2024 academic year, consisting of 80 students.

The results revealed that students have difficulties in English practice; inhibition, nothing to say, low participation, and mother tongue use with "nothing to say" as the dominant difficulty. The factors that cause these difficulties include clustering (difficulty arranging sentences), redundancy (not knowing to explain correctly), still unfamiliar with the reduced form, low speaking performance, lack of vocab and not understanding what others are saying, low rate of delivery, and difficulty in pronunciation, stress, and intonation with "clustering" as the dominant factor.

The researcher suggests that students should enhance their English vocabulary and learn more about how to construct sentences. In addition, the researcher hopes that teachers can provide more time for students' speaking preparation.

## ABSTRAK

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**Kata Kunci:** Bahasa Inggris, Berbicara, Kesulitan, Faktor, Praktek Berbicara

Bahasa Inggris menjadi sangat penting di dunia yang berubah dengan cepat ini karena bahasa Inggris sangat krusial untuk hampir semua aspek kehidupan, terutama komunikasi. Salah satu keterampilan dalam bahasa Inggris yang sangat penting dalam komunikasi adalah berbicara. Berbicara adalah keterampilan yang memungkinkan seseorang untuk bertukar informasi secara lisan dengan orang lain. Keterampilan ini merupakan dasar untuk dapat berkomunikasi dalam bahasa Inggris. Namun, banyak siswa yang masih merasa kesulitan untuk berlatih berbicara dalam bahasa Inggris karena bahasa Inggris bukanlah bahasa ibu di Indonesia.

Penelitian ini berfokus pada eksplorasi kesulitan siswa dan faktor-faktor yang menyebabkannya dalam praktik berbicara bahasa Inggris. Siswa kelas 10 Akuntansi di SMK PGRI 2 Kudus pada tahun ajaran 2023/2024 menjadi partisipan dalam penelitian ini.

Peneliti menggunakan metode penelitian deskriptif kualitatif dengan kuesioner dan wawancara sebagai instrumen penelitian untuk mengumpulkan data. Partisipan dalam penelitian ini adalah siswa kelas Sepuluh Akuntansi di SMK PGRI 2 Kudus tahun ajaran 2023/2024 yang berjumlah 80 siswa.

Hasil penelitian menunjukkan bahwa siswa mengalami kesulitan dalam praktik bahasa Inggris; *inhibition* (hambatan), *nothing to say*, partisipasi yang rendah, dan *mother tongue use*, dengan *nothing to say* sebagai kesulitan yang dominan. Faktor-faktor yang menyebabkan kesulitan-kesulitan tersebut antara lain *clustering* (kesulitan menyusun kalimat), *redundancy* (tidak tahu menjelaskan dengan benar), tidak familiar dengan *reduced form*, *rate delivery*, kurangnya kosa kata dan tidak memahami apa yang dikatakan orang lain, tingkat penyampaian yang rendah, dan kesulitan dalam pengucapan, tekanan, dan intonasi dengan *clustering* sebagai faktor yang dominan.

Peneliti menyarankan agar para siswa memperbanyak kosakata bahasa Inggris mereka dan belajar lebih banyak tentang cara menyusun kalimat. Selain itu, peneliti berharap guru dapat memberikan lebih banyak waktu untuk persiapan berbicara siswa.

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