

CHAPTER I

INTRODUCTION

In this chapter, the writer introduces the sub chapters. They are background of the study, statement of the research problems, objectives of the study, significance of the study, and scope and limitation of the study.

1.1 Background of the Study

Language is a system of communication used by many people in the world to communicate. People cannot live individually. They need to communicate with others to share what they want. People use language to communicate with other people in many settings to express their feeling and to develop their idea.

Language is also a system of communication by written or spoken. Halliday and Hasan (1976, p.1) stated that text is a unit of language in use. The word text is used in linguistics to refer to any passage, spoken or written. It means that language is not only used in conversation or spoken but also in written such as newspaper, texts, etc.

The writer is interested to conduct a study on cohesion devices in the song lyrics because the song lyrics are persuasive texts that can effect the listener's emotion. Halliday and Hasan (1976, p.6), stated that cohesion is divided into two, the first is grammatical cohesion and the second is lexical cohesion. Grammatical cohesion consists of reference, substitution, ellipsis and conjunction while lexical cohesion consists of reiteration and collocation.

Justin Bieber is a multi-talented pop-R&B singer and a self taught musician. His first album, *My World*, was certified platinum within three months of its release and be the first debut album ever to have seven songs charts on the Billboard Top 100. Then, another album, entitled, *My World 2.0*, debuted at 1 on the charts and has gone on to sell more than five million copies over the world and still counting.

Ten of Justin Biebers' song lyrics on *My Worlds Acoustic* are selected by the writer. The writer has a huge curiosity to analyze deeper on how the cohesion devices are represented in Justin Bieber's song lyrics on *My Worlds Acoustic*. This study is very interesting to conduct. There are a lot of words, phrases, clauses, and or sentences in Justin Bieber's song lyrics on *My Worlds Acoustic*, which represent cohesion devices. Here, the writer provides an example of cohesion device that found in the verse of Justin Bieber's song lyrics on *My Worlds Acoustic*.

“Now **Romeo** and **Juliet**,
 Bet **they** never felt the way we felt,
Bonnie and **Clyde**,
 Never had to hide like,
We do,
 We do”

The example above is taken from the verse of *Stuck in the Moment* lyrics. The bold words “Romeo”, “Juliet”, “they”, “Bonnie”, “Clyde”, and “we” are the example of grammatical cohesion. These words are categorized into personal reference. The

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Based on the background above, the writer investigates the types of cohesion devices appear in Justin Biebers' song lyrics on *My Worlds Acoustic*. From the explanation above, the writer is interested in analyzing of *Cohesion Device Used in Justin Bieber's Song Lyrics on My Worlds Acoustic*. It is chosen because the listener might have a different interpretation about cohesion devices found in Justin Biebers' song lyrics on *My Worlds Acoustic*. This study tries to give a clearer insight about the cohesion devices in Justin Biebers' song lyrics on *My Worlds Acoustic*.

In line with this study, there have been a number of valuable studies of cohesion devices (Awaliah 2008; Fadjrln 2011). Those studies discuss cohesion devices in different subject. However, none of these studies provide discussion on the cohesion devices in Justin Bieber's song lyrics on *My Worlds Acoustic*. Therefore, this study is very important to be conducted.

1.2 Statement of the Problems

Related to the description of the background of the study above, the writers will investigate the following problems:

1. What types of grammatical cohesions found in Justin Bieber's song lyrics on *My Worlds Acoustic*?
2. What types of lexical cohesions found in Justin Bieber's song lyrics on *My Worlds Acoustic*?

3. What is the relation of the dominant appearance of grammatical cohesions towards song lyrics forms in Justin Bieber's song lyrics on *My Worlds Acoustic*?
4. What is the relation of the dominant appearance of lexical cohesions towards song lyrics forms in Justin Bieber's song lyrics on *My Worlds Acoustic*?

1.3 Objectives of the Study

Based on the statements of the research problem above, the following objectives of the study are arranged as follow:

1. To explain the types of grammatical cohesion found in Justin Bieber's song lyrics on *My Worlds Acoustic*.
2. To explain the types of lexical cohesion found in Justin Bieber's song lyrics on *My Worlds Acoustic*.
3. To describe the relation of the dominant appearance of grammatical cohesions towards song lyrics forms in Justin Bieber's song lyrics on *My Worlds Acoustics*.
4. To describe the relation of the dominant apperance of lexical cohesion towards song lyrics forms in Justin Bieber's song lyrics on *My Worlds Acoustics*.

1.4 Significance of the Study

This study describes cohesion devices which are found in Justin Bieber's song lyrics on *My Worlds Acoustic*. Hopefully, this study can give two contributions:

theoretically and practically. Theoretically, the writer hopes that the result of this study is useful and gives contribution to linguistic field, especially to discourse study. Meanwhile, for the students of English Study Program, the writer hopes that this study gives some additional information and new knowledge for those who are interested to analyze the cohesion devices. Practically, for all the listener of Justin Bieber's songs, especially for all the fans of Justin Bieber, the writer hopes that this study helps them to understand the Justin Bieber's song lyrics on *My Worlds Acoustic*.

1.5 Scope and Limitation

Based on the theory that is applied in analyzing the text, the scope of this study is the theory of cohesion devices proposed by Halliday and Hasan (1976). Cohesion devices itself is divided into two, those are; grammatical, and lexical. Moreover, this study is limited on the data found in Justin Bieber's song lyrics on *My Worlds Acoustic*. The data might be in the form of words, phrases, and or sentences that contain cohesion device that exist in Justin Bieber's song lyrics on *My Worlds Acoustic*. So that, the discussion of the study is focused on the cohesion devices found in the data.