

CHAPTER I

INTRODUCTION

This chapter gives the whole elaboration and explanation of background of the study, statements of the research problems, objectives of the study, significances of the study and the scope and limitation of the study.

1.1 Background of the Study

Skateboarding grows rapidly in Indonesia today. According to Nurpramadya & Irawan (2012), skateboarding is developing rapidly in Indonesia because this kind of sport has a great appeal to young men. Adolescents incidentally has the energy and high spirits and a great sense of curiosity. This condition facilitates the entry of all the information about skateboarding from a variety of sources. One of the evidence is this sport has long been known by Indonesian young men, this sport came to Indonesia at 70's. These conditions make Indonesian young men want more and more information about skateboarding.

There are some factors which are responsible to the growth of skateboarding in Indonesia. One of them is because this sport is able to express freedom of the players (skaters). Skaters can freely apply the movements or tricks in skateboarding. As the result, there are more young men in Indonesia joining skateboard, join the community and join the competition, whether in a regional, national or even international events.

According to ACE (2006), In 1999 Didi Ahman Arifin and some local skaters were initiating to make a “house” or “basecamp” that united all the skaters. This “house” called ISA which stands for Indonesian Skateboarding Association. By the time, the amount of skaters in Indonesia growing up. The amount of skaters in Indonesia over the past five years is progressing quite well. Amount of skaters increasing along with the growth of the skateparks for the skaters for example the skate park which located in Taman Bungkul Surabaya.

In some records, skateboarding is familiar and classified into extreme sport, even in our television station, NET. However, in the United States the players are many skaters do not agree because skateboarding can also be considered art shows when viewed from the creative side. The sport of skateboarding through a variety of language tricks describe the language used not only to reflect the social and stylistic differences, but also to build the sociolinguistic differences in the local context. In recent times, language use is addressed by discourses as diverse as sociology, medicine, culture studies, anthropology, politics, law and science.

Sociolinguistic study the characteristics of a wide variety of languages, functions and characteristics of the speakers, included the register used in the skate community, according to Skate To Live (2007), There are more than 100 registers can be found there in the website. It is interesting and important to study the registers in skateboard community since it is booming lately. Last year, is the first time for skateboarding to take part in Olympic Rio De Janeiro. It can be said that skateboarding is now being admitted by the whole nations. As the result, studying the registers of the skateboarders are important now. To those who are have the

interesting in skateboarding, it can be a reference before they enter and join the community.

Based on the background above, the writer selects the register of the skaters community as topic in this study, as reference to another people out there who want to know more about the language variations of skaters. In this case, the writer chose skaters community of Taman Bungkul Surabaya as the source of data remembering this community is the biggest skate community all over Surabaya. As the result, they have a lot of language variation (register) to analyze. This study is hoped can be a useful information to those who interest in skateboarding.

1.2 Statement of the Problem

Based on the background of study presented above, the research questions are stated as follows:

1. What are the types of registers found in skate community of
Taman Bungkul Surabaya?
2. What is the most appeared type of registers found in skate community of
Taman Bungkul Surabaya?
3. What is the function of registers which commonly appear in skate community
of Taman Bungkul Surabaya?

1.3 Objectives of the Study

In accordance with the research problems, the objectives of the study are stated below:

1. To identify the kinds of registers that used by the skate community of

Taman Bungkul Surabaya.

2. To identify the frequently type of registers found in skate community of

Taman Bungkul Surabaya.

3. To describe the function of registers which commonly appear in skate

Community of Taman Bungkul Surabaya.

1.4 Significances of the Study

Theoretically, this study is expected to provide more knowledge and can be a good reference to those who decide to learn about language variation that exist in skateboard community, especially in Surabaya. Practically, those who are willing to join a skateboard community, after they read this thesis, they will directly understand the language variation (register) produced by the skaters because they have read this study before.

1.5 Scope and Limitation

The scope in this study is sociolinguistics, which focuses in exploring the registers and the function of the registers. In this case, the writer selects the skate community of Taman Bungkul, Surabaya. The limitation of this study is the utterance of the skaters in the community which included into register. In this study, the writer conducted an observation. There are so many utterances that the skaters produced, but the writer focused only in the utterance which included into register.