

CHAPTER I

INTRODUCTION

This chapter explains about background of the study, statement of the research problems, objectives of the study, significance of the study, and scope and limitation of the study. Each of subchapters has different information and elaborated in sequence.

1. 1 Background of the Study

The important tool of communication in the society is a language. Language is not only spoken but also sign, gesture. Everyone needs language to communicate with the other because it is one of important role in the people life. The study about language is called linguistics and pragmatics included into linguistics. Language also is used to delivering the messages or information from the speaker to the listener. In delivering messages or information people need conversation such as speaking or using some media such as advertisement, novel, magazine, etc. Fromkin (1988:4) states that language is much more than speech. It means language can be used by people in written language to convey messages or information.

In conversation, once a speaker assumes the certain information is already known by the listener although the information does not appear directly. Because it is not an easy way to obtain the imply meaning, the listener needs to look for word's meaning and what the speaker means in the same circumstance. Beside, to acquire the right interpretation in meaning is by doing assumption. In addition

Yule (1996) states that pragmatics is concerned with the study of meaning as communicated by a speaker and interpreted by a listener.

Sometimes, the speaker's assumption is implicit and confusing. Thus, the listeners are not able to identify certain information from the speaker. To understand the utterances of the speaker, hearers must consider the context in which the speaker uses the utterances.

Assumption can be done by making an inference (the listeners' use of additional knowledge to make sense of what is not explicit in an utterance). Such phenomenon is presented in the utterance. "Mary's hat is red". In this utterance the assumption of the hearer is "Mary has a hat". As a matter of fact, there is something assumed to be true in a sentence which asserts other information. This is called presupposition. Presupposition is a thing that is presupposed, while presupposes means to assume something true without proof. Presupposition can occur in verbal and non verbal language not only in daily conversation but also in novel conversation.

Presupposition is part of pragmatics since pragmatics is the study of the meaning of words in context, to analyze the parts of the meaning that can be explained by the background of knowledge. Pragmatics has many aspects that can be studied in linguistics. It can be used not only to analyze the linguistic form but also to analyze the context of the utterance. Here the writer focuses analysis in character's utterances of novel.

Novel is one of the most well-known fictions. Bull (in Cacik Fajar P: 2016) stated that novel was long written text. Kenney (1966; 103) states that generally, a novel consists of forty five thousand words or more. Novel is one of the printed media which use written language. In novels similar with spoken language, sometimes there are unstated meaning compared to its expression. It makes the reader who read the novel unable to understand about the meaning that appears is some conversation. The example here such as an utterance in which the information assumed, "Deni drives a car". By this utterance, the speaker presupposes that Deni is a person that exists and he can drive a car. And this utterance may have than one presupposition that Deni has the car and he can drive more than one car.

In this research, the writer would like to focus on analysis about presupposition in novel because of some reasons. First, this topic is needed to be analyzed in order to get a good understanding between the speaker and the listener to reach a success communication between them. The listener should first understand the presupposition from utterances of the speaker. Second, presupposition or assumption is everything that speaker wants to do before saying. Third the writer hopes this research will give contribution related to study of presupposition.

The lovely bone novel published in 2002 by Little, Brown. It is a very famous novel written by one of famous authors is Alice Sebold. Language used in this novel had influenced many people. Many presuppositions can be found in the novel *The Lovely Bone*. Therefore, the writer is interested to use this novel to do the analysis.

1. 2 Statements of the Problems

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

1. What are the types of presupposition that found in The Lovely Bones Novel?
2. What are the contributions of presupposition to the speaker's communicative purposes?

1. 3 Objectives of the Study

Based on the several question of problems of this study that is emerged by the researcher the purpose of this study are:

1. To identify the types of presupposition in the lovely bones novel.
2. To explain the contribution of the presupposition for the speaker's communicative purpose?

1.4 Significance of Study

This study of analyzing the presupposition in "*The Lovely Bones*" novel is expected to give contribution both theoretical and practical contributions in the field of pragmatic particularly in analyzing presupposition in a lovely bone novel.

Theoretically, the contributions of this study are expected to give more understanding and make the readers know the presupposition and the types of presupposition in this novel. And it can be references for such a study. This study is expected to give the readers better understanding and deep explanation about presupposition.

Practically, the contribution of this study is to make the readers increase the knowledge, especially in presupposition. The researcher tries to give an

explanation about the types and the patterns of presupposition. This study aims to continue the preceding studies of Presupposition and to give a wider knowledge. So that, the readers can applies presupposition in sentences well.

1. 5 Scope and Limitation of the Study

In order that the study is very general but the researcher only focuses in presupposition. The scope of this study is pragmatics proposed by George Yule (1996). In order to specify this study, the writer limits this study only on presupposition based on the character's utterances.

