

ABSTRACT

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This thesis focuses on Illocutionary Acts Used In The Readers Forum Of The Jakarta Post Newspaper. The writer choses readers forum of the Jakarta Post newspaper as the sources of the data. This study aims to answer the statement of the problems: 1) what are the types of illocutionary acts in reader's forum? And 2) what are the functions of illocutionary acts in reader's forum? To answer those statements of problems the writer uses Searle theory.

This research was conducted by using descriptive qualitative method. It is qualitative because the data are words. The data are in the forms of words or utterances in reader's forum of the Jakarta post which was published on May 2012.

After the data obtained and analyzed, it is found that all of the types of illocutionary act used in the readers forum of Jakarta post. They are assertive act, directive act, commissive act, expressive act, and declarative act. Furthermore, all of the functions of illocutionary act used in the readers' forum. They are competitive, convivial, collaborative, and conflictive.

Key words: Illocutionary acts, Types of illocutionary acts, Functions of illocutionary acts, and The Jakarta Post Newspaper