

CHAPTER I

INTRODUCTION

This chapter consists of five subchapters, they are background of the study, statement of the problems, objectives of the study, significances of the study, and scope and limitation of the study. Each part in subchapter explains about this study generally.

1.1 Background of the Study

Human activities and interactions can not be separated from language. People use the language as the main instrument to do communication in order to they can give and get information each other. These facts people realize that language has plays an important role in their daily life or society. Soeparno (2002, 5) said that there is no society without any language and there is no any language without society. So, there is correlation both of language and society. That is way people need the language to keep communication with others. Furthermore, language can be used to know the meaning from someone's utterance, to show the speaker's identity and language as entertainment through songs, poem, and story.

Language is presented into written and spoken way. When people study about spoken language, certainly they are going to study about sound and phone. Whereas, when people study about written language, it is closely related with the sentences, clauses, phrases, and words. People have to know how the sentences are constructed and combined in order to the sentence has meaningful. Language has often been characterized as a systematic correlation between gestures and

meaning. It is impossible for the native speakers of language to memorize all of the word, phrases, clauses and sentences of a language.

Talking about syntax, it means talking about how the sentence is constructed. The sentence or the utterance could be used in written and spoken way. Human can know the form of the sentence whether the grammatical of sentence is correct or not. Having the analysis about the grammatical rule is important in order to get clear understanding on the meaning of the sentence. Syntax is important to study because without syntax human beings would be unable to construct complex messages conveying information about complex situations and ideas.

This research analyzes sentence that contains of syntactic structure on Noam Chomsky's Quotes by fans on Facebook. This facebook with the name "Noam Chomsky Quotes" was made Noam Chomsky's fans in 2011. The researcher choose, "Noam Chomsky Quotes" as source of data because he is the renowned linguist, philoshoper author and activist. Noam Chomsky was born Desember 7, 1928 in Philadelphia Pennsylvania. Noam Chomsky is an American linguist, philosopher, cognitive scientist, historian, social critic, and political activist. He also called as "the father of modern linguistics, chomsky is also a major figure in analytic philoshophy and one of the founders of the field of cognitive science. He is institute Professor Emeritus at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT), where he has worked since 1955, and is the author of over 100 books on topics such as: linguistics, war, politics, and mass media. In communication, in order to the message can be understood the language structure used is various. The variation of structure made is not only to make the addresse

understand the message of the quotes. As in social media, in this case is Facebook, many variations language structure used to make every sentence in facebook they used beauty language in order to the reader interested of their update status in facebook.

Syntax is a branch of linguistics which explains how words are put together to build phrases, how phrases are put together to build clauses or bigger phrases, and how clauses are put together to build sentences (Miller, 2002). Syntax is properties of human language (Tallerman, 2011, p. 1). Moreover, syntax is a central component of human language (Valin Jr, 2004, p. 1). Syntactic analysis is used to analyze and investigate the language phenomena through the sentence by using syntactic theory (Francis, 1958). Wekker & Haegeman (1985, p.5) view syntactic analysis as “determining” the relevant component part of a sentence and describing these part grammatically”. It aims at discovering in which the component part of sentence are combine to form of structure of the sentence. Above argumentation means that syntax is the most important aspect in human language as it aims at understanding words arrangement in the sentence.

In syntactic structure, Tree Diagram can be used to analyze the sentences on Noam Chomsky Quotes by fans in Facebook, the researcher uses (Baker, 1998) Tree Diagram Theory. To analyze the four basic types of syntactic structure (Francis, 1958 p. 291). The first is structure of modification, there are two components in this structure: a head and modifier. The second is structure predication, with two components, constructing in following the structure: subject and predicate. The third is the structure of complementation, with two

components are a verbal element and a complement. Then, the last is a structure of coordination, which consist of equivalent grammatical units, such usually signed by and, but, nor, not, or and others.

Regarding to the subject being studied, facebook is popular social network site to connect people with their friends and relatives from all over the world (Veer, 2010, p.3). Its name stems from the colloquial name for the book given to students at the academic year by some American university administration to help students get to know one another. Facebook was founded in February 2004 by Mark Zuckerberg with his college mommates and fellow Harvard University students Eduardo Saverin, Andrew McCollum, Dustin Mockwitz and Chris Hughes. In using facebook, people sometimes post and update status to express their feeling and thought, facebook users also can comment on their facebook's friend's status. For instance, the update status commentators sometimes misinterpret the content of facebook status updaters, because they might not understand the structure of sentence which leads them to understand the whole meaning of the sentence. One of the sections on every Facebook member's profile is a forum called "the English Status Updates". English Status Updates is a place for your Facebook pals to share interesting photos, videos, websites and character insights (Veer, 2010, p.78). Walls or status updates are part of profiles, anyone who can view users profile can see wall messages.

As the subject of analysis, this research employs English status updates on facebook published on 2016 by Noam Chomsky's Quotes. In 2016, there were English status updates by Noam Chomsky's Quotes have a little about striking

issues about terrorist campaign and propaganda. Here the example taken from English status updates published on January 2th, 2016, “*some polls are pretty amazing*” is an example taken from of the data are on of types of syntactic structure, that included in structure of predication. Because it is established from the two constituent: the subject “Some polls” and the predicate “are pretty amazing”. Therefore, it is necessary to employ a device that helps us understand the linguistic features of sentence in English status updates, namely syntactic analysis.

In relation to the source of the study, the first entitled ‘*syntactic structures in the six rap songs of “rage against the machine”*’ by Pungki Wismandira (2001). He tries to find out what types of syntactic structure used and the most predominant type of syntactic structures in the six rap songs of “*rage against the machine*”. One of the previous study has the similarities with this study that identifies types of syntactic structure on Noam Chomsky’s Quotes by fans on facebook. While the differences both of previous studies with this study are statement of problem and source of data. The second researcher who has done the same field was Ichwan Purwata (2008) with his thesis entitled “*A syntactic structure in the advertisements with pictures in Jakarta Post*”. He tries to find out what types of syntactic structure, their component and predominant syntactic structure used in *the advertisements with pictures in Jakarta Post*.

1.2 Statement of Problems

Based on the background of the study above, this study propose some statements of the problem as follow:

1. What types of syntactic structures on Noam Chomsky's Quotes uttered by fans on Facebook?
2. What componential variety of sentence forming the syntactic structure on Noam Chomsky's Quotes uttered by fans on Facebook?

1.3 Objectives of the Study

Based on the statement of problem, this study has some objectives as follow:

1. To identify and describe of four syntactic structure on Noam Chomsky's Quotes by fans on Facebook.
2. To find out componential variety of sentence forming syntactic structure on Noam Chomsky's Quotes by fans on Facebook.

1.3 Significance of the Study

This study has two significances, theoretical and practical significance. Theoretically, this research is expected to be an alternative study on facebook language instead of an alternative to syntactical study. Therefore, the researcher study facebook language from the syntactical perspective. It is also expected to provide description for further research in this area. Although this research it contains sentence patterns which are commonly on Noam Chomsky's Quotes by fans on Facebook.

Meanwhile, practically this research is expected to be a contribution as the reference for further researchers who inspired analyzing the same of source data or using the same theory, either it is as a reference or to conduct the same study in

a broader scale. Furthermore, this study is proposed to give better understanding about types of syntactic structure in facebook to the readers. Especially for student can easily understand syntactic structure on Noam Chomsky Quotes by fans in Facebook.

1.4 Scope and Limitation

The scope and limitation are considered as an essential thing to be emphasized. This research only focuses on analyzing English status updates on facebook by Noam Chomsky's Quotes which is delivered based on the English status updates in January, February, March, April, May, June, September, November, Desember 2016. The dates are January 2nd and 27th, February 23th, March 4th, April 1st, 12th, 18th, and 27th, May 15th, June 15th, September 12th, November 7th 12th 14th 15th 21th 25th, Desember 4th 8th 31th because that updates has rich of information fulfilling the criteria of syntactical prespective. Actually, this research concerned with four syntactic structure to analyze the status updates, using diagrammed in the Tree Diagram. However, considering the limited time, the researcher decides to focus on investigating sentence which consists of syntactic structure on facebook by Noam Chomsky Quotes.