

CHAPTER I

INTRODUCTION

This chapter consists of some subchapters, namely background of the study, statements of the problems, objectives of the study, significances of the study, and scope and limitation of the study. Those are important to be explained because they will describe this study generally

1.1 Background of the study

Interacting each other is one of the human's nature as social human. Communicating each other is the human way to interact with other human to fulfill their requirement. We need other people to help us in our life and they need us to help them in their life. For example, when we are going to a barber to have a haircut then they fulfill our desire to get the best style and the other example when we tell about the problem in our family, then they give respond or suggestion to us. Thereby, there is a conversation between them.

Conversation is the way in which people socialize and develop and sustain their relationship with other people (Liddicoat, 2007). In the conversation there are some rules that must be followed, but sometimes there is an infraction rule which is done unconsciously and something which is done unconsciously will make a problem. If in a conversation the participant (speaker and hearer) makes pronunciation error or neglect rules unconsciously, it can hinder the flow of conversation. For a linguist it can be a phenomenon that is interested to observe using conversation analysis.

Conversation analysis is an approach to the study of social interaction, embracing both verbal and non-verbal conduct in everyday life situation. According to Schegloff, Jefferson, and Sacks (1977), conversation analysis is an approach to social action. Repair is type of conversation analysis besides turn taking, adjacency pair, preference organization and sequence organization. Each of them have different definition and different rules.

In a conversation analysis, repair is a process to correct the speech error or other mistake such as repeating the word that has been said by other speaker. Certainly there is no communication that does not contain a mistake, moreover in the casual conversation that does not discuss the particular thing. So there are many mistakes that will occur; it is possible that there are troubles in speaking, hearing, or understanding the talk. “Trouble” includes such thing as “disarticulations, malapropisms, use of a ‘wrong’ word, unavailability of a word when needed, failure to hear or to be heard.

Schegloff et al. (1977) said that participants in conversation seek to correct the trouble source by initiating self-repair and a preference for self-repair, the speaker of the trouble source, over other repair. Self-initiation self-repair (self-initiated repair) is type of repair that interesting to analyze. Because this type is frequently occur in the conversation. In this type, the initiation and the repair solution are produced by the speaker of the trouble source. Usually repair occurs in a conversation which is done spontaneously or a conversation that is not prepared before. The natural conversation is the suitable subject to this material. One of subject that doing naturally is talk show.

Talk show is a type television shows in which members of the public or celebrities are filmed living their everyday or undertaking specific challenge. For nowadays, society do not like the formal or serious program; they need an entertainment program but it does not leave the education element. Talk show usually consists of two important elements; the host and the guest star. One of the Examples of talk show is Ellen show.

Ellen show (The Ellen DeGeneres Show) is one of the American television talk shows hosted by a comedian and actress Ellen DeGeneres. This talk show was first broadcasted on September 08, 2003. It is produced by Tele pictures and airs in syndication, including stations owned by NBC Universal in the United State and Canada. This talk show is one of the most famous and popular talk shows following the Oprah Winfrey Show.

The writer analyzed self-initiated repair because there is no researcher analyze about self-initiated repair. All of the previous study analyzed about repair in general, they did not focus on the self-initiated only such as what the writer analyzed in this study. In addition, the writer chose Ellen show as source of data because in that talk show, the participant produced utterances spontaneously. As a result, the utterances are not express clearly. Then, it makes the hearer misunderstanding or mishearing. Finally, the communication in their conversations was breakdowns. In the following, the writer gives an example of self-initiated repair that occurred in the Ellen show.

Host : When did you start learning about presidents?

Macey: Oh, when I was about— **oh...**
since I was four

In the conversation above, Macey is a child that has talent of remembering all the names of the American presidents. At the time the host asked her when he started learning about president. Then he answered what the host asked. But he forgot when he started it, then he paused his talk because he tried to remember his age. Then he initiated repair in the same turn. He said that since he was four. There was a problem in their conversation. Thus, why self-initiated repair is important in the conversation to make the participant or the speaker more control to their conversation and avoid from communication breakdown.

1.2 The statements of the problems

Based on the background of the study, there are two questions that will be research problem. That are :

1. What are the strategies of self-initiated repair used by the participants in Ellen Show?
2. What are the positions of self-initiated repair found in Ellen Show?

1.3 The objectives of the study

1. To explain the strategies of self-initiated repair used by the participants in the Ellen Show.
2. To explain the position of self-initiated repair found in Ellen Show.

1.4 The significance of the Study

The result of this study is expected to give contribution both theoretically and practically for English Study Program, University of Trunojoyo Madura. Theoretically, this study explain about self-initiated repair in general explanation. For linguistics studies, this study can give more information and clearer understanding and explanation about the strategies and the positions of self-initiated repair. In addition, this study will be a new reference knowledge about self-initiated repair in verbal utterance.

Practically, this study can give contribution to the readers to learn about self-initiated repair uses in verbal communication such as video. And it will also contribute to help the speakers feel more confident in their conversations and help them to know how to control their conversations. Then hopefully, the readers of this study can be more aware to the phenomena of self-initiated repair that they encounter frequently in their daily conversation.

1.5 The scope and limitations of the study

The scope of this study is discourse analysis. This study focused on the self-initiated repair analysis especially of spoken language. Therefore, this study focused on the repair in the talk show named *Ellen Show*. Then, the writer limits the analysis to use of self-initiated repair in the verbal utterance and the conversation that contains the strategies and the positions of self-initiated repair.