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ABSTRACT

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The purpose of this research is 1) to find out the strategies used by teachers in teaching English vocabulary at SMPN 1 Sugihwaras, 2) to find out the impacts of the strategies used by teachers in teaching English vocabulary at SMPN 1 Sugihwaras. This research is qualitative research using a qualitative descriptive approach. The subjects in this research were three English teachers. Data collection collection techniques using interview method and supported by documentation. Data is processed using data analysis techniques. Data analysis techniques using 1) data reduction, 2) data display, 3) conclusion drawing. The data is validated by using technique triangulation. The results showed that 1) there were four strategies used by teachers in English vocabulary at SMPN 1 Sugihwaras, which included: a) Using picture strategies, b) Memorization strategies, c) Translation strategies, d) Playing game strategies (word chain). 2) The impacts of teachers strategies in teaching English vocabulary at SMPN 1 Sugihwaras, which included: a) avoids students from being bored, b) helps them to interact easily white their friend and their teacher, c) hepls to increase their vocabulary.

ABSTRAK

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Tujuan dari penelitian ini adalah 1) untuk mengetahui strategi yang digunakan guru dalam mengajar kosa kata Bahasa Inggris di SMPN 1 Sugihwaras, 2) untuk mengetahui dampak dari strategi yang digunakan oleh guru dalam mengajar kosa kata Bahasa Inggris di SMPN 1 Sugihwaras. Penelitian ini merupakan penelitian deskriptif yang menggunakan pendekatan deskriptif kualitatif. Subjek dalam penelitian ini adalah tiga guru Bahasa inggris. Teknik pengumpulan data menggunakan metode wawancara dan didukung oleh dokumentasi. Data diproses menggunakan teknik analisis data. Data analisis menggunakan 1) reduksi data, 2) penyajian data, 3) penarikan kesimpulan. Validitasi data diperoleh menggunakan teknik triangulasi. Hasil penelitian menunjukkan bahwa 1) terdapat empat strategi yang digunakan guru dalam mengajar kosa kata Bahasa Inggris di SMPN 1 Sugihwaras, yang meliputi: 1) strategi menggunakan gambar, 2) strategi menghafal, 3) strategi menerjemahkan, 4) strategi bermain game (word chain). 2) dampak strategi guru dalam mengajar kosa kata bahasa Inggris di SMPN 1 Sugihwaras, yang meliputi: a) menghindari siswa dari kebosanan, b) membantu mereka berinteraksi dengan teman dan guru, c) membantu untuk meningkatkan kosa kata mereka.

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CHAPTER 1

INTRODUCTION

This chapter discusses the background of the study, the research problem, the research objectives, the significance of the study, and the definition of a key terms.

A. Background of the study

Vocabulary is the basic thing that must be owned by the students in language learning (Setiyawan, 2015:84). So, learning and memorizing vocabulary is an important part of learning the language for students in using language in communication. Arifin (2015) claimed that vocabularies are the part of language input that enables the learner to produce the language. Therefore, vocabularies are significant and important in language learning.

Successful English learners demonstrate fluency in all four language skills listening, speaking, reading, and writing in order to achieve their goals. Widiati and Cahyono (2006:78) note that the "language learning ingredient" necessary for mastery of these four language skills includes elements such as vocabulary, grammar, and pronunciation. Vocabulary, grammar, and syntax are the three pillars of language proficiency, but vocabulary is the foundation upon which all four skills rest.

Teaching vocabulary, as stated by Fetria (2016), is both a means of enhancing students' knowledge in order to enable them to construct

grammatical sentences and a challenging item complemented by the teacher due to the fact that many things should be concerned and it has to take good handling in order for students to understand what the vocabulary itself is.

Since junior high school students still struggle with English, teaching vocabulary to them can be challenging (Fertia, 2016). Due to the importance of vocabulary in learning a foreign language, it is crucial to introduce English to junior high school students. Unfortunately, students find it difficult to master vocabulary, especially those in Indonesia where English is studied as a foreign language because it is not widely used for everyday communication. It is therefore more challenging to learn English vocabulary. As a result, junior high school students still have a low level of vocabulary mastery.

The methods for teaching vocabulary make up the following issue. More consideration must be given to vocabulary instruction. Teachers should thoroughly prepare each step of the teaching-learning process. The teaching methods, materials, and media make up the components. For instance, they do a good job of preparing the materials that are based on the lesson plan, but they do not utilize the appropriate media or teaching techniques. In this situation, it may render the teaching and learning process ineffective, with the students suffering as a result because they would not have understood what the teacher was attempting to explain.

The researcher has chosen SMPN 1 Sugihwaras to carry out this study. The researcher was encouraged to conduct research in the school based on observations for a number of reasons. The first is that the researcher is interested in how the vocabulary is taught in the classroom. Many students were found to struggle with vocabulary learning because they lacked the necessary words and were too embarrassed to tell their teachers when they did not understand something. Behbahani (2015) asserts that since learning vocabulary is harder than learning a first language, effective strategies for learning a foreign language must be interesting and varied. In order for the students to learn the English lesson easily and for the teaching-learning process to be successful, it is the teacher's responsibility to determine the best teaching strategies for English, particularly for English vocabulary. The school's good reputation and accreditation are the second. The last is that English is taught well at SMPN 1 Sugihwaras. According to information from teachers who work there, SMPN 1 Sugihwaras is a good school with excellent English teachers, but this institution still has issues with teaching English, particularly vocabulary.

The researcher is interested in learning about teachers' vocabulary teaching strategies in light of the background information provided above. It focuses on the efforts made by teachers to help students understand the information they are learning as well as the methods they employ to help students improve their vocabulary.

B. Research Problems

Based on the background above, the research problems are formulated as follows:

- 1. What are the teachers' strategies used by teacher in teaching vocabulary at SMPN 1 Sugihwaras?
- 2. Are the teachers' strategies impacted on vocabulary learning?

C. Research Objectives

Based on the research problem above, the objectives of the research are formulated as follows:

- To find out the strategies used by teachers in teaching vocabulary at SMPN 1 Sugihwaras
- To find out the impact of the strategies used by teachers in teaching English vocabulary.

D. Significances of the study

The result of this study can contribute some benefits to students and teachers. Here are the benefits:

a. Theoretically

The finding of the research will give good information related to the teacher's strategies in teaching English vocabulary

- b. Practically
 - 1. Researchers

The findings of this study provided the researcher with important details about the difficulties encountered when teaching English as well as the methods employed by those English teachers to increase their students' vocabulary. Additionally, it is hoped that the findings of this research will provide the researchers with valuable experience when they eventually work as English teachers.

2. Students

Hopefully, the result of this research is hoped to help students in learning vocabulary easily and never getting bored during class, especially students in SMPN 1 Sugihwaras.

3. English teachers

The findings of this study should help educators refine their methods for teaching English vocabulary. It is hoped that they will be more innovative in how they change up their improving students' vocabulary.

c. Pedagogically

This research provides important information about strategies for teaching vocabulary. In addition, the results of this research also provide developments in learning English vocabulary.

E. Definition of Key Terms

By knowing the key terms, made this study is easier to be understood for other researchers and readers. There were many key terms that are related to this research as follows:

1. Teacher's strategy

A teaching strategy is a planned course of action taken by a teacher to promote student learning. (Issac, 2010)

2. Vocabulary

Vocabulary refers to the collection of words a speaker must be able to use to convey their thoughts and ideas. (Alqantani, 2015)