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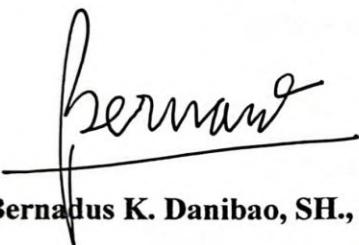
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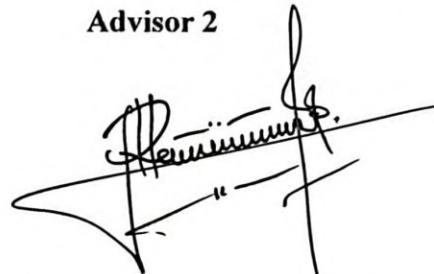
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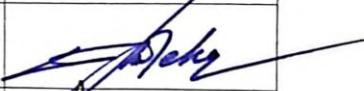
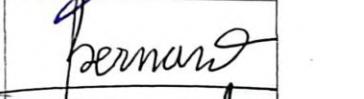
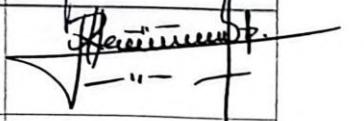
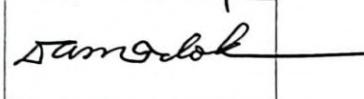
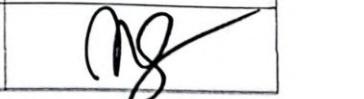


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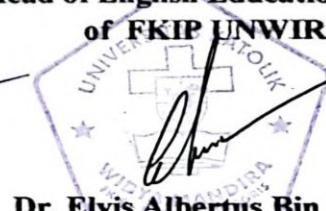
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## MOTTO

**“Start now**

**Start where you are**

**Start with fear**

**Start with pain**

**Start with doubt**

**Start with hands shaking**

**Start with voice trembling, but start**

**Start and do not stop**

**Start where you are, with what you have. Just... start.”**

**— Ijeoma Umebinyuo**

**The journey of a thousand miles begins with one step.**

**—Lao Tzu**

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## **ABSTRACT**

This study entitled Teaching Speaking Using Information Gap Technique to the Tenth-grade Students of Sint Carolus Catholic High School Kupang. The study is going to answer the following questions: 1) How is the information Gap Technique used in teaching speaking to the tenth-grade students of Sint Carolus Catholic High School Kupang? 2) What are the challenges faced by the tenth-grade students of Sint Carolus Catholic High School Kupang during the implementation of the Information Gap Technique in teaching speaking? The study aims to find out how to use the Information Gap Technique effectively in teaching speaking to the tenth-grade students of Sint Carolus Kupang and to discover the challenges in applying the Information Gap Technique in teaching speaking to the tenth-grade students of Sint Carolus Catholic High School Kupang. The researcher used the classroom action research method (CAR). The instruments used in this study were observation, questionnaire, and documentation involving students from class X.C. This research consisted of two meetings from March 21st to March 22nd, 2024. The researcher used descriptive text as the material used to use the information gap technique in teaching speaking to the tenth-grade students, by following the procedures of teaching speaking using the information gap in the classroom. In this study, the researcher used descriptive text as the material used to use the information gap technique in teaching speaking to the tenth-grade students, by following the procedures of teaching speaking using the information gap in the classroom. The results of this study revealed that most students responded positively to the use of Information Gap Techniques in learning to speak. Where the students felt better about understanding the material provided. Moreover, students could use the Information Gap Technique to share information using appropriate vocabulary and expressions. Students also indicated that the speaking activities were more exciting and accessible and that they had more ideas to speak about the topic. They also felt motivated to talk about a topic and more confident to speak. The researcher also found several challenges the students experienced in learning to speak by using the information gap technique. The challenges were that students found difficulties in comprehending the materials and the information gap technique, particularly in the first meeting. Students also found challenges in pronouncing words correctly in English and that they lacked vocabulary. This study suggests that in terms of the Information Gap Technique, the researcher should explain clearly the technique and the materials used in teaching speaking. Hence, the students will not be confused and can understand easily. Regarding speaking, English teachers should create various teaching techniques to improve students' ability in vocabulary and pronunciation.

***Keywords:*** ***Information Gap Technique, teaching speaking***

## ABSTRAK

Penelitian ini berjudul Mengajar Berbicara Menggunakan Teknik Kesenjangan Informasi kepada Siswa Kelas Sepuluh SMA Katolik Sint Carolus Kupang. Studi ini akan menjawab pertanyaan-pertanyaan berikut: 1) Bagaimana informasi Teknik Kesenjangan digunakan dalam mengajar berbicara kepada siswa kelas sepuluh SMA Katolik Sint Carolus Kupang? 2) Apa saja tantangan yang dihadapi oleh siswa kelas sepuluh SMA Katolik Sint Carolus Kupang selama penerapan Teknik Kesenjangan Informasi dalam mengajar berbicara? Penelitian ini bertujuan untuk mengetahui bagaimana menggunakan Teknik Kesenjangan Informasi secara efektif dalam mengajar berbicara kepada siswa kelas sepuluh Sint Carolus Kupang dan untuk menemukan tantangan dalam menerapkan Teknik Kesenjangan Informasi dalam mengajar berbicara kepada siswa kelas sepuluh SMA Katolik Sint Carolus Kupang. Peneliti menggunakan metode penelitian tindakan kelas (CAR). Instrumen yang digunakan dalam penelitian ini adalah observasi, kuesioner, dan dokumentasi yang melibatkan siswa dari kelas X.C. Penelitian ini terdiri dari dua pertemuan dari tanggal 21 Maret hingga 22 Maret 2024. Peneliti menggunakan teks deskriptif sebagai bahan yang digunakan untuk menggunakan teknik kesenjangan informasi dalam pengajaran berbicara kepada siswa kelas sepuluh, dengan mengikuti prosedur pengajaran berbicara menggunakan kesenjangan informasi di kelas. Dalam penelitian ini, peneliti menggunakan teks deskriptif sebagai bahan yang digunakan untuk menggunakan teknik kesenjangan informasi dalam pengajaran berbicara kepada siswa kelas 10, dengan mengikuti prosedur pengajaran berbicara menggunakan kesenjangan informasi di kelas. Hasil penelitian ini mengungkapkan bahwa sebagian besar siswa merespon positif penggunaan Teknik Kesenjangan Informasi dalam belajar berbicara. Dimana para siswa merasa lebih baik memahami materi yang diberikan. Selain itu, siswa dapat menggunakan Teknik Kesenjangan Informasi untuk berbagi informasi menggunakan kosakata dan ekspresi yang sesuai. Siswa juga mengindikasikan bahwa kegiatan berbicara lebih menarik dan mudah diakses dan bahwa mereka memiliki lebih banyak ide untuk berbicara tentang topik tersebut. Mereka juga merasa termotivasi untuk berbicara tentang suatu topik dan lebih percaya diri untuk berbicara. Peneliti juga menemukan beberapa tantangan yang dialami siswa dalam belajar berbicara dengan menggunakan teknik kesenjangan informasi. Tantangannya adalah siswa menemukan kesulitan dalam memahami materi dan teknik kesenjangan informasi, terutama pada pertemuan pertama. Siswa juga menemukan tantangan dalam mengucapkan kata-kata dengan benar dalam bahasa Inggris dan bahwa mereka tidak memiliki kosakata. Penelitian ini menunjukkan bahwa dalam hal Teknik Kesenjangan Informasi, peneliti harus menjelaskan dengan jelas teknik dan materi yang digunakan dalam pengajaran berbicara. Dengan demikian, siswa tidak akan bingung dan dapat memahami dengan mudah. Mengenai berbicara, guru bahasa Inggris harus menciptakan berbagai teknik pengajaran untuk meningkatkan kemampuan siswa dalam kosakata dan pengucapan.

**Kata Kunci:** *Teknik Kesenjangan Informasi, pengajaran berbicara*

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