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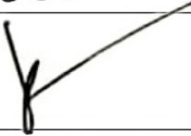
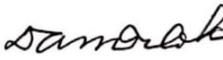


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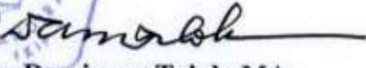
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## ABSTRACT

This research is entitled “ **The Mastery Acquisition of English Content Words By Second Grade Students Of A Junior High School In Kupang Enrolled In The School Year 2020/2021**”. This study was conducted to find answers to three questions. (1) What are the most familiar English words to the secondgrade students of a Junior High School in Kupang enrolled in the school year 2020/2021? (2) What are the less familiar English words to the secondgrade students of a Junior High School in Kupang enrolled in the school year 2020/2021? (3) What are the English words that have not been acquired by the second grade students of a Junior High School in Kupang enrolled in the school year 2020/2021. The method used in this research is quantitative descriptive method. The purpose of this study is to find out whether students are able to acquire mastery of their English vocabulary. The subjects of this study were students of class VIII SMP Negeri 11 Kupang, totaling 15 people. The instrument used by the author to compile the data is to give tests to students and they are asked to work on test questions prepared by researchers based on the sources of English textbooks they study at school. Then the researcher copied the data obtained after collecting the results of the students worksheets, then the researchers examined and analyzed the data. This study found that students are generally most familiar with the domain of the transportation and the domain of animals. The less familiar for them are domain of food. But on the other hand in students are not familiar to the domain related to the plant.

**Key words:** *Acquisition, mastery, domain ,food, plant ,transportation,familiar*

## ABSTRAK

Penelitian ini bertajuk “Penguasaan Akuisisi Kata-Kata Konten Bahasa Inggris oleh Siswa Kelas Dua SMP di Kupang tahun ajaran 2020/2021”. Penelitian ini dilakukan untuk menemukan jawaban atas tiga pertanyaan. (1) Apa kata Bahasa Inggris yang paling familiar untuk siswa kelas dua SMP di Kupang tahun ajaran 2020/2021? (2) Apa kata Bahasa Inggris yang kurang familiar untuk siswa kelas dua SMP di Kupang tahun ajaran 2020/2021. (3) Apa kata bahasa Inggris yang tidak dikuasai siswa kelas dua SMP di Kupang tahun ajaran 2020/2021. Metode yang digunakan dalam penelitian ini adalah metode kuantitatif Deskriptif. Tujuan dari penelitian ini adalah untuk mengetahui apakah siswa telah mampu mengakuisisi penguasaan kosakata bahasa Inggris mereka di tingkat SMP. Subjek penelitian ini adalah siswa kelas VIII SMP Negeri 11 Kupang yang berjumlah 15 orang. Instrumen yang digunakan penulis untuk menyusun data adalah memberikan tes kepada siswa dan mereka diminta untuk mengerjakan soal tes yang disusun peneliti berdasarkan sumber buku pelajaran bahasa Inggris yang telah mereka pelajari di sekolah. Selanjutnya peneliti menyalin data yang diperoleh setelah mengumpulkan hasil lembar pekerjaan siswa, kemudian peneliti memeriksa dan menganalisis data. Studi ini menemukan bahwa siswa secara umum paling familiar dengan kata domain transportasi dan domain hewan. Yang kurang familiar bagi mereka adalah domain makanan. Namun, di sisi lain siswa ternyata tidak familiar terhadap domain yang berhubungan dengan tumbuhan.

**Kata kunci:** *Akuisisi, penguasaan, domain, makanan, tumbuhan, transportasi, familiar*

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