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ABSTRACT

This thesis is entitled "Grammatical Error Analysis on Students' **Descriptive Text**". It was conducted to answer the following questions (1) What are the types of grammatical errors committed by English Education Study Program Students in writing descriptive texts? (2) What is the most common type of grammatical error committed by the English Education Study Program Students' in writing descriptive texts? Based on the statement above, the objective of the study were: (1) To find out the types of grammatical errors committed by the English Education Study Program Students' in writing descriptive texts. (2) To find out the most common type of grammatical error committed by the English Education Study Program Students' in writing descriptive texts. The subjects of this study were 15 students of the fourth semester students of English Education Study Program. In collecting the result the writer used a qualitative descriptive method and the instrument use was a writing text. The students were given chance made descriptive text based on the topic they choose. The taxonomy used by the writer analyzing the data was linguistic category taxonomy, consisting of morphology and syntax. The result of the analysis showed that the errors committed by the fourth semester students of English Education Study Program were morphological 36 (58%), and syntactical 26 (42%). The total numbers of error was 62. The most grammatical error made by students was morphological. Based on the result of this study, the following was the suggestion for: (1) For the lecturer: the lecturer should focus more on teaching about how to write good and correct texts by paying attention to the use of sentences, word choices, and their changes according to the tenses used, especially in writing descriptive text. (2) For the students: Students should learn more about how to write good writing by paying more attention to the use of proper grammar and tenses. Do more practice in writing to improve good writing skills. In addition to grammar, tenses, and writing practice, students also have to learn a lot about vocabulary especially on regular and irregular and various other types of words.

Key Words: Error, Writing, Descriptive text.

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