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ABSTRACT

This study is entitled "A Study on the Ability in Using Question Tags of the Eleventh Grade Students of SMAN 1 Soe in the School Year 2014/2015". The statements of the problems are formulated as follows. 1) What is the ability level of the eleventh grade students of SMAN 1 Soe in using question tag? 2) What is the area of difficulty in using question tag of the eleventh grade students of SMAN 1 Soe? This study has two objectives. 1) To find out the ability level of the eleventh grade students of SMAN 1 Soe in using question tag. 2) To find out the area of difficulty in using question tag of the eleventh grade students of SMAN 1 Soe. In this study the writer employed descriptive method. The data were obtained through the test. The obtained data were analyzed through steps correcting, scoring, and tabulating. The instrument used in gathering data was a test. The test consisted of 30 test items, divided into two types, namely: 15 test items of Multiple Choice and 15 test items of sentence completion with proper question tag. The result of data analysis shows that the eleventh grade students of SMAN 1 Soe have not been able to use question tag. The ability level of the eleventh grade students of SMAN 1 Soe was "BELOW AVERAGE" based on their average grade (5.53). The area of difficulty encountered by the eleventh grade students of SMAN 1 Soe is the use of the question tag in the form of imperative sentence. Based on the result of the study, the writer offers some suggestions. 1) The students are suggested to improve their knowledge of English grammar in general and question tag in particular by doing frequent practice. The students are suggested to learn English grammatical rules, the example sentences, and practice the use of English grammar in general and question tag in particular. 2) The English teachers are suggested to teach the students to be able to know and practice the use of question tag. The teachers of English are suggested to teach the grammatical rule, the example sentences, and practice the use of English grammar in general and question tag in particular.

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