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ABSTRACT

Devi Kusuma Indah. A Comparative Study of Students' Mastery in Learning Vocabulary from Reading Texts by and without using Dictionary at the Second Year of MTs Daarul Uluum PUI Majalengka.

The development of science and technology cannot be separated from the role of English as a means of communication. Many books, magazines, newspapers, and also internet communications are written in English. English is not only used in written communication but also in spoken communication. For this reason, English is taught to the students in our country.

Even though English has been taught to the second year of MTs Daarul Uluum PUI Majalengka for more than about four years (three years when they were at Elementary School and more than one year when they were MTs Daarul Uluum PUI Majalengka), but most of them still find English difficult to be learned. It is difficult for them to understand the contents of the reading texts which have been taught to them, to speak and to write English. This bad condition is probably caused by that they do not master the English vocabulary as much as possible and they do not like to look up the meaning of the vocabulary from the reading texts in a dictionary.

The aims of the research carried out by the writer are to find out the data of the students' mastery in learning English vocabulary from the reading texts by using dictionary (X_1 variable), to find out the data of the students' mastery in learning the English vocabulary from the reading texts without using dictionary (X_2 variable), and to find out the data of whether there is a positive and significant comparison or not between the students' mastery in learning the English vocabulary from the reading texts taught by using and without using dictionary.

The techniques of data collection used by the writer are observation, interview, and test. The data which have been collected are analyzed by means of the objective condition of the school for quantitative data, and by means of 't-test' formula for the quantitative data (the results of the test).

After the data have been analyzed the writer concludes that the mean score of the students of class 2.A who are taught the English vocabulary from the reading texts by using dictionary is 7.12 (categorized 'good') and the mean score of the students of class 2.B who are taught the English vocabulary from the reading texts without using the dictionary is 5.42 (categorized 'sufficient'), and there is a positive and significant comparison between students' mastery in learning the English vocabulary from the reading texts by using dictionary and without using dictionary. This is because the computation of 't-value' (4.735) is higher than the value of 't-table (2.00) with the degree of freedom (df) 48 and the significance t_{0.975}.

This means that learning the English voce bulary from the reading texts by using dictionary is better that without using dictionary and it can improve students' mastery in it.

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