GRAMMATICAL ERRORS ON SOCIAL MEDIA

CHAPTER I

INTRODUCTION

1.1 Background of The Study

Indonesian people seem to have problems in mastering English grammar because of the slight difference between English and Indonesian language. This is one of the factors which lead them to make errors either in spoken or in written. Any grammatical errors are caused by learners' lack of English language, especially in grammar, and their grammar tests are indicated lower than the standard minimum score. In addition, their mother tongue always interfere them in practicing English as Foreign Language. Consequently they should be aware of those grammatical errors and do something to avoid them by doing some correction. Brown (2000) states that error is noticeable deviation from adult grammar or native speaker reflecting the inter language competence of learner, while mistake refers to performance factor such as: memory, limitation, spelling fatigue, and emotional strain. The identification of errors is a result from lack of knowledge of the rules of the language.

Talking about error, it must be related to mistake. Most people think that error and mistake are similar and they usually cannot differ both of them. In the linguistic point of view errors and mistakes are different. The people who make a mistake are able to recognize the mistakes and able to make them correct while error is systematic. It is likely to occur repeatedly and is not recognized by them.Error may function as an evaluation to measur, the mastery of a language. (Ellis, 2008) states that error is a lack of knowledge and mistake is the learners' posse's knowledge of the correct form and it is just slipping up. (Foster, 2005) stated that an error is an individual language user's deviation from standard language norms in grammar, syntax, pronunciation and punctuation. Language learning and language error cannot be separated each other. Language error always occurs in the language learning process. Most people tend to make errors when they learn a foreign language. People learning foreign language may have some confusion to recognize it because of the interferences of their mother tongue. Besides, (Setiyadi, Sukirlan, & Mahpul, 2016) state that language learners whose mother tongue have no tenses tend to have more difficulties in learning a target language which

has some complicated tenses such as English and their L1 (bahasa Indonesia) does not imposes such rules of tenses.

In this increasingly sophisticated era, science and technology cannot be separated with English, especially social media. Every body seems to have them such as Facebook, Twitter, Instagram and so on. The social media users tend to apply English while uploading something as their posts. They feel a very high pride if they post them in English. However, because of their lack of grammar, their post sounds funny and awkward.

In social media users do not escape from posts on every account they have, both Facebook and Instagram accounts. In Indonesia playing social media has become a priority. Social media that are trending in Indonesian society are facebook and instgaram where many people use this media for entertainment or communication media with other people. Facebook is a social networking site that allows users to interact with other users around the world. Facebook has become the largest social networking site today. There are so many benefits of Facebook that we can use such as making old friends, being a promotional medium, a place to establish relationships and entertainment through videos, social media is a form of interactive educational media that allows two-way interaction and feedback (m. L. Kent , 2013). Wati and Rizky (2009) Facebook is a social network that can be used by users to get to know each other and communicate for various purposes and is also recreational.This social media, which was launched on February 4, 2020 by Mark Zuckerberg, is very helpful for many people to communicate, as a means of entertainment or a field to make money.

Not only the case of facebook, many people also use instagram as a medium of communication, ig is a giant social media that many people already know even though it's still young, the same thing as using facebook, instagram is also used to share photos or videos and what's new from instagram is an instastory or sharing video with good and interesting filters. According to almoko (2012) ig is a photography-based social networking service which means the ease of taking and viewing photos which can then be sent or shared with others. This type of social media is also known to be a little more prestigious than Facebook.

Using English is not solely as entertainment or styles, but there are also rules, but in the fact that there are many social media users who use foreign language carelessly, so that sometimes it becomes a joke or even cause misunderstanding because users do not use the approptiate grammatical accordingly, so readers may be wrong in interpreting these posts.

Being able to use a foreign language is indeed great but it is great to use it properly and correctly, according to predetermined elements. English is an international language that is reasonable to be interested learned be the general public, but it would be wiser when we iuse it with right grammar.

1.2 Problem of The Study

Based on the background of the study then the problems in this study are as follow:

1. What types of grammatical do the social media users make in their post?
2. What is the dominant error that the media social users do?

1.3 Scope of Study

The scope of this study is only about the grammatical error in media social that is facebook adn instagram

The author has researched 30 social media users from July to September and found grammatical errors in their posts. The author analyzes the status with all posts without classifying social media users and the data is obtained randomly. With the holding of this research, it is because many social media users use inaccurate English so that there are many irregularities and this research was carried out to rectify the mistakes of social media user posts.

1.4 Objective of Study

The objective of study from this research is:

1. To find out types of grammatical do on social media users make in their post
2. To find out the dominant error the social media users do

1.5 Significant of The Study

the significant of the study is:

- The results of this study are expected to be useful for readers and social media users in using English in their posts, both Facebook and Instagram users
- For the author, the results of this study are very useful to increase knowledge about grammatical errors and broaden horizons in researching the use of English, as well as a final project in completing lectures.