

## **DESIGNING ENGLISH READING TEXT BASED ON SIWALUH JABU**

### **ABSTRACT**

This study is aimed at developing suitable reading text regarding English capability. Despite the fact that English is the main popular language to study nowadays, numerous number of people still found themselves falling behind the table. This is a product of laziness, lack of interest as well as not being able to read in English. A lack of interest in reading will also result in students who need to be more responsive to classroom instruction. Many students do not develop a reading habit because reading is perceived as a tedious activity. To address this issue, the researcher intends to increase students' interest in reading by having them peruse folklore texts. This is qualitative descriptive research in which the results and discussion of the research occur organically based on what is happening in the field. This study concentrates on the Siwaluh Jabu traditional house of North Sumatra. The data for this study were collected in Lingga Village, north of Sumatra, by questioning locals about their knowledge of Siwaluh Jabu and their English literacy levels. Based on the findings of this study, reading texts based on Siwaluh Jabu, a local traditional house, can enhance people's interest in reading and aid in the design of a good reading text.

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