ABSTRACT

Tambun, Marito Portune . 2014 . Figures of Speech in Westlife’s Selected Songs. A Thesis. English and Literature Department. Faculty of Languages and Arts. State University of Medan.

This study deals with the figures of speech in the lyrics of Westlife’s Selected Songs. The objectives of the study are to describe the types of figures of speech which are used in Westlife’s Selected Songs, to derive the figures of speech used Westlife’s Selected Songs, to reason the figures of speech as found in Westlife’s Selected Songs. The research was conducted by descriptive qualitative. The data are the lyrics of Westlife’s Selected Songs, the data were collected from 10 songs that has figures of speech. This data were analyzed by identifying and classifying the figures of speech displaying the result in a table. Then these figures of speech are described in details. The analysis found that there are eight types of figures of speech which used; they are Simile 27,71%, Metaphor 21,70 %, Personification 1,20 %, Synecdoche 1,20 %, Metonymy 7,23 %, Symbol 4, 81 %, Hyperbole 33,75 % and Paradox 2,40 %. The most frequent type of figures of speech used in the lyrics of Westlife’s Selected Songs is Hyperbole.