

ABSTRACT

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The thesis deals with interaction in internet relay chat program. The study attempt to see the interaction especially in conversation through internet as well as to see the special terms used by user. It also analyzes the system of the language or the use of the language whether users convey the sentences both in computer and in natural setting. Several users of internet relay chat were observed as the sample of the research. They were invited to chat in a dialogue or in a conversation through channel # bawel as well as made a short and long conversation. Based on the information obtained, the data were analyzed. Systemic functional linguistics was applied as the theoretical framework and the analysis was conducted by applying the pattern of schematic structures (k1, k2, dk1, k2f, da1, a1, a2, a2f, a1f, ch, rch, cl, cf, and ref) of each of the sentence produced by the users. The findings indicate that there were special terms used or produced by the users, namely : using words in abbreviations and acronyms, using emoticons, and numbers. The findings also described that using emoticons (emotion and icons) and words in abbreviations and acronyms were the dominant ones of special terms used. This shows that the linguistics realizations found out in the special terms used by users