

CHAPTER V

CONCLUSIONS AND SUGGESTIONS

5.1 Conclusions

Having analyzed the data, conclusions are drawn as the following.

- (1) In conveying their opinion, the sub modalization – probability and usability – are indicated in the political text of the opinion column but they were not used by all the opinion’s writers in writing the opinion.
- (2) In realizing the use of modalization in their opinion the writers of the opinion of The Jakarta Post used sub modalization – probability with the medium value. Having this probability with medium value indicates that the writer of the opinion column has the uncertainty in giving their opinion through the text. The lack of uncertainty in the opinion written by the writer is strengthened by the using of subjective implicit orientation of modalization as the most dominant orientation of modalization used in the opinion text that shows the uncertain point of view of the opinion writer. Although it seems it is lack of the certainty in the opinion, the writer provides the opinion with the objectivity. It means that the opinion sometimes construed as an unquestionable fact. By having objective explicit as the second orientation of modalization that dominantly used in the text, the writer still have a chance to convince the reader to the fact they said. The used of this orientation might persuade people that the writer’s opinion is correct and thus readers might agree with his idea/point of view more quickly.

(3) Modalization is used by the writers when they are trying to indicate to the reader to what extent they align themselves with the evidence they are reporting in their opinion since one of the purposes of the political text is to persuade the reader. It's also due to the thing that being talked about is the one that has not happened yet or future events, besides the things in political field is unpredictable.

5.2 Suggestions

With references to the conclusions, suggestions are staged as follows:

1. It is suggested that the opinion column writers or journalist to apply the strategy of modality in their text to convey their point of view so they can persuade the reader about their point of view and make the reader accept the idea.
2. It is suggested that the students of English department to have a good comprehension in modality's theory. Therefore, they are able to see and comprehend the message in any text from the perspective of functional grammar and more clearly understand the text.
3. Students or other researcher are suggested to do further research in modality theory on other type of text. It is suggested because different text will have different use of modalization and also to enable us to see the contrast or the comparison or the similarities of the using modality among the texts.