

ABSTRACT

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This research aim at exploring how local culture integrated in English language teaching to increase learners' motivation to speak English. This research was carried out of eighth grade students' at SMPN 3 Perbaungan. This research was conducted by using descriptive qualitative data. The data of this research were collected by using observation, interview and audio recording. the samples were selected purposively based on their cultural backgrounds. The result revealed that by integrating local culture in learning English was easier for the learners. The learners had willingness to speak English since most of they were familiar with cultural input.

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