

CHAPTER I

INTRODUCTION

1.1 The Background of the Study

Language as means of communication is important in our lives. Through communication people learn from one another the things they want to know. Imagine if human beings could not communicate with another. If a person cannot communicate, he will not talk to other people and no other people will talk to him or teach him anything. So the language is the most perfect means of communication.

Nowadays, English is admitted by all countries in the world as an international language, therefore it is very important to be mastered. The people all over the world can not avoid from using English as an international communication to follow the globalization era.

Communication is an important part of life which is the process exchanging of information and transmission of meanings. Mass communication as one of the types of communication which is technically refers to the process of transferring or transmitting a message to a large group of people, typically, this requires the use of some form of media such as newspaper, magazine, television, radio or the internet.

Newspaper as a medium communication is one of the mass media which has an important role in delivering its ideas to people. The mass media are that vehicles that carry the message to the mass audience in presenting a report of an action. Newspaper use language of news in delivering and it is different in writing of the other text. Based on the functional grammar, the language used in newspaper will be different with the language used in other texts and different topics such as political, economic, science, sport text. In newspaper, the writer keeps on using many types of process in order to make meaningful sense of sentences.

The Jakarta Post is as one of the English newspapers that have been published by PT Bina Media Tenggara since 1983. It is good reading material especially for beginners in learning English because one of the languages that have an important role in the world is English. English is a foreign language for Indonesians and it is used in many International activities such as commerce, sport, science, education, and technology. Moreover as in one of the mass media, it should be able to present a report of an action in an easily and understandable language by a mass audience of different educational levels. For example of Jakarta Post Texts in Sport article:

LA LIGA

Barcelona lifted by Iniesta return before derby

Reuters

MADRID

Barcelona have been boosted by the successful return from injury of talismanic playmaker Andres Iniesta as they prepare to host city rivals Espanyol in La Liga on Sunday.....

However, Functional grammar views language as a resource for making meaning (Gerot and Wignel, 1994). Whenever we use language, we draw on certain grammatical resources to represent meaning, such as *Ideational meaning* where language is used to organize, understand and express our perception of the world and of our consciousness, *Interpersonal meaning* where language is used to enable us to participate in communicative acts with other people, and *Textual Function meaning* where language is used to relate what is said (written) to real world and to other linguistic events. This involves the use of language to organize the text itself.

Newspaper read by people in their everyday life since it gives information and organize information in term of text in the Newspaper English texts. In order to do this Newspaper has equipment how the news are organized by using Textual Function especially in Theme at the clause rank.

Clause in a newspaper is organized as a message related to the genre of the text. English varieties have ways in which the basic clause elements of subject, verb, complement or object, and adverbial can be rearranged by putting different elements at the beginning of the clause. the clause as a message is thus organized into Theme in the text.

Textual Function is an organizing message that has relevant to context in linguistic and social, Halliday (1985) points out the thematic structures which, when mapped into each other, make up a clause, we shall consider first the one which gives the clause its character as a message.

Textual Function consists of Theme and Rheme have played important role in developing and creat meaning language in Newspaper English text. But in my thesis i took only Theme to discussion. In other words, newspaper texts are shaped by arrangement of the Theme and illuminate the structure in Newspaper English text. For example:

Mike Cammalleri	Scored two powerplay goals for New Jersey
Topical	
Theme	Rheme

Research about systematic functional linguistic (SFL) and Theme analysis has ever conduct by other researchers, about Textual Function in Themes is written by Ahmad Rifai Hasibuan (2011) in him thesis with title "*Themes in Students' English Textbook: English in Focus*" it shows that the structure and the language development in the English texts have changed. The interest of this study is therefore to see the language and thematic development in Newspaper text, and then the text gives meaning, information, message to the reader which is conveyed in the texts.

The research takes the data from classify the Sports Article from daily The Jakarta Post Texts. Because from the newspaper have many Article, in this research the selected article will be analyzed. first, the other research not yet analysis the article and the second the researcher find the differences from the other texts.

Based on the reason, this research is focused on the analyses whether in Newspaper especially in daily *The Jakarta post* article serves language development at best due to the systematic especially by considering Theme in the texts. In conclusion, the researcher wants to see the process of the analysis of Theme in Daily *The Jakarta Post* Texts.

1.2 The Focus of Study

Based on the focus of the study “how Theme in Daily *The Jakarta Post* Texts”, then the problems are formulated operationally as in the following

1. What various Patterns of Theme used in daily *The Jakarta Post* Texts?
2. Why the structures of Theme used in daily *The Jakarta Post* texts?

1.3 The Objectives of the Study

In relation to the problems, the objectives of the study are

- 1). to describe what various patterns of Themes are used to analysis in daily *The Jakarta Post* texts, and
- 2). to find the reason why the structures of Themes are used in daily *The Jakarta Post* texts.

1.4 The Scopes of the Study

Analyzing the process of Theme in daily *The Jakarta Post* texts. This study are restricted to cover three points. They are; 1) various types of Theme in daily *The Jakarta Post* texts, 2) reasons why the types is used while reference to analysis social context in daily *The Jakarta Post* texts.

1.5 The Significances of the Study

It is expected that findings of the study are relevant and useful theoretically and practically. Theoretically, the findings of the study are expected to justify the use of systematic Functional Linguistics (SFL) theories, textual function is used to relate what is said or written to real world and to other linguistic events. This

involves the use of language to organize the text itself. Practically, the study are expected to be useful for to analysis the Theme in daily *The Jakarta Post* texts.

Text and context are two point in language that they cannot be separated one each other. Further, text and context involve value in them. The meaning of the language is not only conveyed by the language used but also the structure of information used or organized to convey meaning in text reflected to procedure of the language context.

This study provides the readers to see how in dialy *The Jakarta Post* texts convey the meaning in case of structure and meaning. In the other words, this analysis will create the answers of the problem of the study in the previous points by using Textual Function especially Theme to convey meaning from newspaper. Therefore, the findings of this study are expected to be relevant is some respects; especially relevant to:

- 1) the learners who need them as references of Theme
- 2) the learners who want to have a good analysis in case of in daily The Jakarta Post text
- 3) the learners who learn English texts
- 4) the Teacher who want to be soccesful in their job in Textual Function:Theme
- 5) all researchers who want to use the result of this research become the comparison of their research.