

ABSTRACT

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The purpose of this research is to find out the difficulties in writing narrative texts and to find out the factors that cause difficulties in writing narrative texts. This research is a case study using qualitative methods. The population in this study were students of class X SMA Private Nurul Hasanah in the academic year 2021/2022. The sample of this research is class X which consists of 30 students. In data collection, there are two instruments used in this study, namely Test and Interview. The test results showed that on average students had difficulties in writing narrative texts such as difficulty in exploring ideas to compose stories in narrative texts, students could not translate some Indonesian words into English and some students made mistakes in using punctuation marks and using capital letters. Based on the results of interviews, students have difficulty in understanding narrative texts caused by two factors; internal and external factors. Internal factors are boredom, laziness and limited time of students to write English texts in class, lack of motivation and vocabulary mastery in writing narrative texts, interest in reading narrative texts, difficulty in finding information and difficulties in understanding texts. While external factors are the way of teaching techniques, the limitations of personal dictionaries, and the learning environment.

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