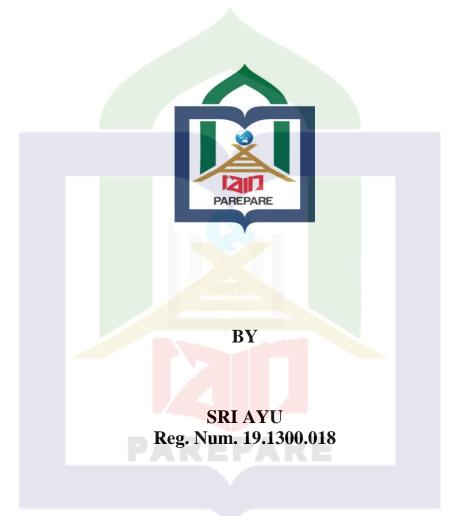
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#### **ABSTRACT**

SRI AYU. Using Reading-Log Strategy to Improve the Student's Reading Comprehension at English Department Students of IAIN Parepare (Supervised by Ambo Dalle and Kalsum)

The ability to read is always there in every learning theme. This shows that the importance of mastering reading skills. One example, in teaching learning process there would some exam that must be faced by the students one of them is reading test. Based on the researcher's own experience, students usually only read assignments given by lecturers and have no awareness of reading outside of class hours. this is one of the reasons why using a read log is necessary.

This study used a pre-experimental design. This research used random sampling technique for sample. The sample choosen is class A with 19 total numbers of students at the second semester of English Education Program. The sample consist of 17 female and 2 male students.

The results of this study explain that the reading log strategy is able to improve the reading comprehension of students in the English Department of IAIN Parepare, as evidenced by the mean student pre-test score of 48.8 and the post-test mean score of 73.8. Based on these results, there is a difference or increase between the average pretest and posttest scores.

**Keywords:** Reading Log, Reading Comprehension



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#### **CHAPTER I**

#### INTRODUCTION

This chapter presents an overview of the issues to be discussed. This chapter consists of background, problem formulation, research objectives and the significance of the research.

#### A. Background

Reading is one of the things that students are less interested in nowadays because of factors such as the environment, school and parents, which do not encourage students to improve their reading skills. This is also evident from existing surveys that Indonesia is one of the countries with the lowest reading literacy in the world. The survey is very concerning, but this is indeed a problem that often occurs where students' reading tendencies are indeed low. whereas what we know is that reading is a means for students to learn something that is not yet known and can broaden students' knowledge to know themselves. To achieve the above goals, students' reading skills are needed<sup>2</sup>.

Indonesia is ranked 62 out of 70 countries, or in the bottom ten, with a low literacy rate, according to a survey conducted by the Program for International Student Assessment (PISA) and published by the Organization for Economic Co-

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Bahrul Ulu Ilham, "*Harbuknas2022:Literasi Indonesia Peringkat Ke-62 Dari 70 Negara*" (Diakses Pada 5 Februari 2023,Pukul 19.43)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>Maya Umi Widasari, "Upaya Meningkatkan Kemampuan Membaca Pemahaman Siswa Melalui Metode PQ4R Pada Pelajaran Bahasa Indonesia Di Kelas IV MI Islamiyah Sumberrejo Batanghari Lampung Timur." 2017

operation and Development (OECD) in 2019.<sup>3</sup> This is completely at odds with the three requirements for improving human resources of high quality.BecauseIndonesian people have low interest in reading, it is a challenge for all parties to improve the existing literacy culture. Problems like this require special attention.

Reading is a skill that must be learned. The majority of reading classes aim to improve students' reading comprehension skills. The students will have an easier time learning other university subjects with these comprehension skills. Additionally, reading proficiency can enhance vocabulary. The vocabulary learned through reading can be used in writing and speaking activities as well as in listening skills to understand words. However, the result of preliminary inquiry prior to the research showed that students often lack not only the reading skills but also the confidence to perform, ultimately leading to poor performance.<sup>4</sup>

The ability to read is always there in every learning theme. This shows that the importance of mastering reading skills<sup>5</sup>. One example, in teaching learning process there would some exam that must be faced by the students one of them is reading test. They will prefer to read questions that tend to be easy for them to read first<sup>6</sup>. If the students have good reading comprehension, the students would pass the exam easily.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>Bahrul Ulu Ilham, "Harbuknas2022:Literasi Indonesia Peringkat Ke-62 Dari 70 Negara" (Diakses Pada 5 Februari 2023,Pukul 19.43)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup>Th.Laksmi Widyarani and Afria Dian Prastanti, "Google Classroom as an Alternative Media of Reading Logs in a Reading Course". *Wiralodra English Journal (WEJ)* Vol 6 No 1 (March 2022)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Irma Sari, Wiarsih, and Bramasta, "Strategi Guru Dalam Meningkatkan Keterampilan Membaca Pemahaman Pada Peserta Didik Di Kelas IV Sekolah Dasar." *JurnalEducatio*, Volume 7, No. 1, March 2021, pp. 74-82.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup>NurfaizahHaris , "The Use of Global Method to Improve Reading Comprehension at the Eighth Grade of SMPN 2 Sungguminasa", 2021.

Because unconsciously reading comprehension and reading habit is interrelated, by practicing reading habit will make students smart and fast connected in learning<sup>7</sup>. The Reading Log system allows teachers to keep track of what students read, when they read it, how long they read it, the book's title, and their thoughts on it. It is expected of students to use Reading Logs to improve not only their comprehension through academic research and literature study but also their ability to critically analyze and interpret what they read.

Based on the researcher's own experience, students usually only read assignments given by lecturers and have no awareness of reading outside of class hours, this is one of the reasons why using a read log is necessary. Because there are not many reading activities on campus or habits that have not been formed which lead to a lack of students' reading comprehension skills, especially in the English department of IAIN Parepare, this research can help English education students to improve their reading comprehension and at the same time add to their vocabulary and improve their pronunciation, so that research is needed related to the problem above, required research related to the problems above.

Students who lack awareness of the importance of reading can be encouraged to manifest their character by adopting reading habits that can make them feel dependent on reading activities. Therefore, the use of reading logs in this study allows students to record their reading activities and the challenges they face during

<sup>7</sup>Livia Natini Tanura, Badawi and Dewi "The Correlation Between Students' Reading Habit and Reading Comprehension of the Twelfth Grade in SMA N 01 Kotabumi North Lampung Academic Year 2021/2022." *JurnalGriyaCendikia*, Volume 7, No 2, Juli 2022.

the reading process. Therefore, this study aims to examine the use of the Reading Log strategy in improving the reading comprehension of English education students at IAIN Parepare.

#### **B.** Research Question

Based on the research background that was previously described, the researcher formulated the problem formulation, is the readinglog strategies able to improve reading comprehension of English Department students of IAIN Parepare?

#### C. Objective of the Research

Based on the questions above, the researcher formulates the research objectives is reading log improve the able students reading comprehensionat English Department students of IAIN Parepare.

#### D. Significance of the Research

This study is expected to give contributions for the following parties:

#### 1. Students

The use of strategies is important for students because it can improve students' reading comprehension by using the reading log strategy so that students further improve their reading skills.

#### 2. Teachers

Research can be used by teachers to help students become better readers. However, in order to prevent students from becoming easily bored while reading, teachers must also be able to design lessons in a way that is more engaging.

#### 3. Future Researchers

This will help other researchers who want to study students' reading comprehension by providing information about the Reading Log strategy.



#### **CHAPTER II**

#### REVIEW OF RELATED LITERATURE

This chapter consist of a review of related literature, which deals with some partinent ideas, conceptul framework, and hypothesis.

#### A. Previous Research Findings

The first Article by Nisa Aulia Istiqlal et al,2021. Article entitled "Portraying Reading Log Strategy Assisting Extensive Reading Activity With Webtoon in Senior High School". The purpose of this research paper is to reveal the reading log strategy assisting in an extensive reading activity with webtoon. The result of the findings of this study, students can express their opinions about the texts they have read and learn new vocabulary through this exercise.<sup>8</sup>

The second Article by Kalsum et al,2022. Article entitled "Implementation of Reading-Log to Increase Students' Interest on Literacy at Islamic Boarding School". This study intends to look into how reading logs are applied to students' reading. The reading log and students' interest in literacy are the main topics of this study. The reading log is intended to serve as a tool for pupils to monitor their reading habits and gauge their interest in literacy. The following results are based on the analysis and using the reading log: Students are able to think critically, they can identify exactly

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup>Nisa Aulia I, "Portraying Reading Log Strategy Assisting Extensive Reading Activity with Webtoon in Senior High School". Volume 5 Nomor 3(2021).

what they read, they can enjoy reading, and they can finish their reading log assignments on time.<sup>9</sup>

The third Article Henny Rahmawati,2019. Article entitled "The Students' Perception on Academic Reading Log for Essay Writing Literacy: Some Influential Points". Reading log or the so-called reading journal is a journal to monitor how far the students read within their own pace and time. The purpose of this study was to find out how the students felt about several key aspects of using reading logs to improve their abilities to write academic articles. The results support the students' claims that reading logs are very helpful to them, particularly in situations where they are reading academic articles. To improve the students' capacity to write academic articles, there are various factors that must be taken into account by the facilitator and the students when administering the reading log.<sup>10</sup>

The fourth Article by GökhanAkçapınar et al,2020. Article entitled "Exploring Student Approaches to Learning through Sequence Analysis of Reading Logs". The findings demonstrated that three groups of students with various study methods could be distinguished. By applying association rule mining analysis, relationships between students' reading habits and their academic achievement are also looked into. To simulate students' study methods, we used theory- and data-driven methodologies. Our findings demonstrated that three groups of students with

<sup>9</sup>Kalsum, Rauf, and Sardi, "Implementation of Reading-Log to Increase Students' Interest on Literacy at Islamic Boarding School." *IDEAS*, Vol. 10, No. 2, December 2022.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup>Henny Rahmawati and Sholihah, "The Students' Perception on Academic Reading Log for Essay Writing Literacy: Some Influential Points." *JEES (Journal of English Educators Society* (April 2019)

various study methods could be distinguished. By applying association rule mining analysis, relationships between students' reading habits and their academic achievement are also looked into. The discussed results include monitoring, feedback, learning outcomes prediction, and issues with the content design.<sup>11</sup>

The last Article by Ni NyomanPadmadewi and Dewi MerlynaYP,2014. Article entitled "EfektivitasPenggunaan "Reading Log" Dalam Mata Kuliah Strategi Pembelajaran Bahasa jurusan Pendidikan Bahasa Jepang Universitas Pendidikan Ganesha Singaraja". The findings of the qualitative data analysis demonstrate that the use of the Reading Log successfully develops the students' reading character and encourages them to like and continue reading on a daily basis. Additionally, the use of Reading Logs can help students develop their critical thinking skills. Indicated by the considerable difference between the gain scores before and after the Reading Log was applied, the results of the quantitative data analysis demonstrate that the usage of the Reading Log was beneficial in enhancing students' achievement on language teaching strategy. 12

The difference between this study and previous ones is that this one focused on reading compherension, while previous studies focused on another skill in english. The next difference is in the research subject: whereas previous studies used high

<sup>12</sup>N. Padmadewi and Ganesha, "Efektivitas Penggunaan 'Reading Log' Dalam Mata Kuliah Strategi Pembelajaran Bahasa jurusan Pendidikan Bahasa Jepang Universitas Pendidikan Ganesha Singaraja."2014.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup>G. Akçapinar et al., "Exploring Student Approaches to Learning through Sequence Analysis of Reading Logs." March 2020.

school students as subjects, this study uses the English department of IAINParepare students.

#### **B. Some Partinent Ideas**

#### 1. Reading

#### a. The Definition of Reading

Reading is an activity or process that seeks to search out varied data contained in writing. Therefore, reading is more than just looking at a set of letters with words, groups of words, sentences, paragraphs, and discourse. It is also an activity to understand and interpret symbols or signs or writings that are intended to ensure that the author's message reaches the reader.<sup>13</sup>

According to Harjasusana and Mulyati (Dalman, 2013: 6) reading is the development of skills that start with words and continue to critical reading. Reading skills in elementary school education are the benchmark and basis of knowledge to achieve better learning. <sup>14</sup>

Reading is a complicated skill that requires knowledge and information to work together to understand the written text. so that the students must be able to effectively utilize their prior knowledge.<sup>15</sup>

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup>Nadiera Yulia Azahro, "Improving Students' Reading Comprehension Through Directed Reading Thinking Activity (DRTA) Method (A Pre-Experimental Research of Twelfth Grade Students of SMAN 3 Bulukumba)", 2022.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>14</sup>Relinda R,"Peningkatan Keterampilan Membaca Pemahaman Melalui Penerapan Metode Cooperative Integrated Reading and Composition Di Siswa Kelas V SD Negeri Sawit."2017.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>15</sup>ArifianyDharmayanti, "An Overview of Probing Question Strategy in Promoting Students' Reading Comprehension", *Retain*,Vol 8 (2020):111-112.

Based on the statement above, it can be concluded that reading is an activity to understand a reading, be it text, writing or discourse conveyed by the author so that the purpose of writing can be understood.

#### b. Purpose of Reading

According to Grabe &L.Stoller, Reading is the ability to draw meaning from the printed page and interpret this information appropriately. It means that reading not complete without comprehending and interpreting text.

According to Grabe & Stoler, mention that the purpose of reading are follows:1) Reading to search for simple information. 2) Reading to skim quickly.3) Reading to learn from the text. 4) Reading to integrate information.5) Reading to write (or search for information needed for writing). 6) Reading to critique texts.7) Reading for general comprehension<sup>16</sup>.

Based on the statement above, it can be concluded that the purpose of reading is to find out the message the author wants to convey. The purpose of reading is determined by the reader himself to find out what theywants to know.

#### c. The Models of Reading

A tool used to support reading instruction is a model. For a variety of students, various models concentrate on strategies that target reading skills. 

17The reading models that the reader used describe how they process the text in order to construct meaning. The "bottom-up model," "top-down model," and

<sup>17</sup>Jennifer Nadeau, "Reading Models Uses And Examples." (Diakses, Jumat 24 Feb 2023, Pukul 01.07)

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>16</sup>Grabe William and Fredricka L Stoller,(2002), *Teaching and Researching Reading*. (New York: Longman):11.

"interactive model" are the three reading models that will be discussed. These models are concerned with the reader's ability to translate a text into meaning. 18

#### 1) Bottom-up model

This model works so well for young children, especially those who are just starting to learn. It works because the letters, their shapes, and reading individual words are the primary focus here. However, as it disregards the reader's expectations, experiences, and attitudes, this model has numerous drawbacks if utilized at higher levels. In addition, it does not consider the context because it only encourages recall.

#### 2) Top-down model

This model is more comprehensive and realistic. It is important to note here that teaching will be more effective whenever students' experiences are included. In addition, this model encourages speculation. However, crosscultural identifications may play a significant role in the recognition of such texts, which is one of its drawbacks. For instance, readers may have significant difficulty determining what the topic is about due to the lack of information about it in some cultures.

#### 3) Interactive model

The model's integration of reading and communicative activities is its most significant benefit. This model, in my opinion is more enjoyable for all types

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>18</sup>SintyaNirwanaGulo, "The Benefits of Skimming Technique in Reading Comprehension for the Second Semester Students of Sanata Dharma University", *Uc Journal ELT, Linguistics and Literature Journal*, Vol. 1, No. 1, May 2020, Pp. 1-13.

of students and more realistic. In addition, the reading will be more interesting, exciting, and lovely whenever the students' experiences are included.<sup>19</sup>

#### d. Types of Reading

The types of reading can be placed into two main categories : intensive and extensive.

#### 1) Intensive Reading

Reading, by reading a selection from the same author or multiple texts on the same subject. Students have numerous opportunities to comprehend the text's meaning as a result of this repetition of content and grammatical structures. The success of Narrow Reading improves reading comprehension is based on the idea that comprehension is increased when the reader is more familiar with the text, either because of the subject matter or because they have read other works by the same author.

#### 2) Extensive Reading

Reading for pleasure is required for extensive reading. Students are unlikely to engage in extensive reading of a book they don't like because there is a part of enjoyment in doing so. The purpose of extensive reading

<sup>19</sup>Osama Abu Baha, "Reading Models: A Review of the Current Literature." *International Journal of English, Literature and Social Science (IJELS) Vol-2, Issue-3, May – Jun, 2017.* 

is to enhance reader enjoyment and confidence. The purpose of extensive reading is always to comprehend the main ideas, not specific details.<sup>20</sup>

#### e. Techniques of Reading

Reading technique are approaches to reading that you can employ to become better. The techniques will help you read faster, understand what you read better, and remember what you read better.

#### 1) Skimming

All the readers need to do to get the information they want is skim. A text is skimmed when a reader glances over it quickly to get a general idea of the subject. Students must comprehend the entire passage or text in order to use the skimming technique. When a reader doesn't have enough time to read and wants to learn as much as they can quickly, they skim.<sup>21</sup>

#### 2) Scanning

A piece of writing is scanned when a reader quickly searches for specific information. A reader might, for instance, skim through a biography of Abraham Lincoln, keeping an eye only for significant dates. The reader would only stop to note the years as they read about Lincoln's upbringing, struggles, and accomplishments. The index and contents page of a book

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>20</sup>Macleod, "Types of Reading Overview:" (2017): 1–17.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>21</sup>SintyaNirwanaGulo, "The Benefits of Skimming Technique In Reading Comprehension For The Second Semester Students Of Sanata Dharma University", Uc Journal ELT, Linguistics and Literature Journal, Vol. 1, No. 1, May 2020, Pp. 1-13.

will be utilized by scanners. They will search for keywords that are relevant to their search as they read the text.<sup>22</sup>

#### 2. Reading Comprehension

#### a. Definition of Reading Comprehension

According to Kintsch, reading comprehension is the process of creating meaning form text.<sup>23</sup>The reader's ability to comprehend a text or passage is crucial to improving reading skills. Therefore, it is the responsibility of lecturers or teachers to facilitate and enhance what is essentially a natural process; They need to acquire some comprehension of the reading process. Reading comprehension activities are one important part of the reading process.<sup>24</sup>

Hans & Hans (2015) define reading comprehension as the capacity at which a person can comprehend a text. This type of comprehension arises from the written words and how they bring about knowledge existing outside the text. In other words, comprehension in this sense is a complex yet creative process

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>22</sup>Sherly Marliasari, "Teaching Reading Comprehension by Using Skimming and Scanning Techniques to the Tenth Grade Students of SMAN 1 Gelumbang", English Community Journal (2017), 1 (2): 109–122.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>23</sup> Abbas PourhoseinGilakjani, "How Can Students Improve Their Reading Comprehension Skill?", (Iran: Islamic Azad University,2016), Vol.6 / May, 230.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>24</sup>SintyaNirwanaGulo, "The Benefits of Skimming Technique in Reading Comprehension for the Second Semester Students of Sanata Dharma University", *Uc Journal ELT, Linguistics and Literature Journal*, Vol. 1, No. 1, May 2020, Pp. 1-13.

that depends on the four skills of language (phonology, pragmatics, semantics, and syntax).<sup>25</sup>

Reading comprehension is important for easily acquiring great knowledge. However, the majority of people continue to struggle with reading comprehension, and the issues arise as a result of a lack of reading practice. Therefore, reading a variety of sources on a regular basis can help develop reading comprehension.<sup>26</sup>

Based on the statement above, reading comprehension is the ability to understand reading so that readers understand and can draw conclusions from the text they read using their own vocabulary.

#### b. The Kind of Reading Comprehension

There are four kind of reading comprehension that every reader should know: literal reading comprehension, interpretative reading comprehension, critical reading comprehension, and creative reading comprehension. Explained in the following paragraphs.

1) Literal Reading Comprehension Literal reading as a low level of comprehension encompasses learning behaviors that are said to be essential for developing higher-level comprehension. According to Saadatnia et al. (2017),literal

Number 1 (March 2019).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>25</sup>NassemMohammad Abdullah Attiyat, "The Impact of Pleasure Reading on Enhancing Writing Achievement and Reading Comprehension", Arab World English Journal (AWEJ) Volume 10.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>26</sup>Rudi Hartanto, "Improving Students' Reading Comprehension by Using Preview Ouestion Read Summarize and Test (PQRST) Strategy at the Eighth Graders of Junior High School 2 Sekampung East Lampung",2020.

understanding necessitates students extracting specific information from a paragraph.<sup>27</sup>

#### 2) Interpretative Reading Comprehension

A very useful category of thinking skills, interpretative thinking, ought to be emphasized in reading. In a sense, this term could be used to encompass all thinking abilities. In general, one could say that interpretation looks deeper than literal comprehension does.<sup>28</sup>

Interpretative reading shows how to inferences by reading between the lines. This is how concepts that are implied rather than explicitly stated are derived. This level of comprehension requires the following skills:

- 1. Identifying passage's main ideas when those ideas are not explicitly stated.
- 2. Identifying passage's cause and effect when they are not explicitly stated
- 3. Identifying pronoun referents
- 4. Indentifying adverb referents
- 5. Inferring omitted words
- 6. Identifying moods

<sup>27</sup>Ratih Laily Nurjanah and Salma Rafita Putri, "The Effect of Literal Comprehension on the Higher Levels of Comprehension in Reading Skill: A Longitudinal Case Study", *English Language & Literature International Conference*, Vol. 5 No.1 (2022).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>28</sup>Rudi Hartanto, "Improving Students' Reading Comprehension by Using Preview Question Read Summarize and Test (PQRST) Strastegy at the Eighth Graders of Junior High School 2 Sekampung East Lampung."Hlm.13,2020.

- 7. Identifying author's purpose in writing
- 8. Drawing a conclusion<sup>29</sup>

#### 3) Critical Reading Comprehension

The ability to analyze and evaluate a piece of reading or content and present convincing arguments based on the findings is known as critical reading.<sup>30</sup>

#### 4) Creative Reading Comprehension

In the same broad sense as "inferences," the phrase "creative reading" is frequently used. A literal understanding is not enough to draw inferences. Because the answers to inference questions are based on information that is not explicitly stated in the text, students may initially have difficulty answering them. Students combine their literal comprehension of the text with their own knowledge and intuitions to form an inference.<sup>31</sup>

#### 3. Reading Log

#### a. Definition of Reading Log

Reading logs or so-called reading journals are journals to monitor how far students read at the speed and time they set themselves (Pak and Waseley, 2012). According to them, the logs or journals are formulated to improve

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>29</sup> R. FadilahNasution, E. Harida and S. Rambe, "Reading Strategies Used by Successful Readers of English Department Students of State Institute for Islamic Studies Padangsidimpuan", *TAZKIR: JurnalPenelitianIlmu-ilmuSosial dan Keislaman*, Vol. 04 No. 2 (December 2018).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>30</sup> Medina, M. Ichsan, "Kuasai Cara Menemukan Nilai dan Pesan Utama Tulisan Dengan Critical Reading", (Diakses Pada 23 Februari2023, Pukul 14.22)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>31</sup>DaCosta and Yerni Herrera Gutierrez, "Level of Reading Comprehension of Dominican EFL College Students." 2020.

students' reading habits by assigning them to read a few minutes per day - and recording the reading material they read in a log/journal. <sup>32</sup>

Using reading logs as a tool engaging readers with the text and it enables them to make meaning and write down what they understand (Jeanne & Currier, 2013). The reader-response theory is the foundation for the method of using reading logs. Reading logs are sheets of paper on which readers can freely share their thoughts and ideas.

The instructor determines the format of reading logs. In most cases, it contains questions for readers to answer and provide their own thoughts, experiences, and details, such as the names of the characters, the total number of pages, the title of the story, the setting, a summary, the issue, etc. Reading logs are regarded as a comprehension-enhancing device. They assist readers in working through their textual understandings and interpretations.<sup>33</sup>

In my opinion, Reading log is a strategy used to understand the content of reading text by writing something related to the reading that has been read according to the reading log format that has been provided.

#### b. The Reading Log Model

The journal log model suggested by Tatiana Lyutaya (2011) wasutilized in the reading journal used in this study. Thereading journal in this study consists of six parts, namely: (1) Title of the book, text or article, (2) Prediction

<sup>32</sup>Th.Laksmi Widyarani and A. Dian Prastanti, "Google Classroom as an Alternative Media of Reading Logs in a Reading Course". *Wiralodra English Journal (WEJ)* Vol 6 No 1 (March 2022).

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>33</sup>UmaiseeRakana, "Effects of The Use of Reading Logs on Reading Comprehension of Mattayomsuksa 5 Students in Trang." 2017.

of content based on the title, (3) An intriguing sentence or passage, (4) Inferential or critical questions, (5) Opinion about the story, and (6) Summary or plot.

Students simply write the title of the book, text, or article they chose to read for the first part. Activating background knowledge, focusing the reader's attention, setting the story's mood, and establishing a reading goal are all common pre-reading strategies that involve anticipating. Students were required to write down a portion of the text that contained an intriguing idea or puzzling situation, whether it was a sentence or a longer passage, as part of a reading activity, and then interpret the idea or situation by writing extended comments. The third section is an intriguing sentence or passage. When students had questions about something in the story during the inferential or critical question portion, they were required to write them down along with possible responses or solutions. Students simply had to write their opinions in response to the two questions in the opinion section: what I liked about the story and what I didn't like about the story. The last part, students were required to compose a three- to five-sentence summary of the readings for the summary.<sup>34</sup>

#### c. The Benefits of Using Reading Log

There are several other benefits to keeping a reading log, these include:

<sup>34</sup>Aliponga, "Reading Journal: Its Benefits for Extensive Reading." *International Journal of Humanities and Social Science* Vol. 3 No. 12(June 2013).

#### 1) Tracking progress

A reading log can help you track your reading progress over time and see how much you have read. This can be especially useful if you are trying to reach a specific reading goal.

#### 2) Setting goals

A reading log can help you set and track reading goals, whether you want to read a certain number of books in a year or read a certain number of pages each day.

3) Encouraging healthy reading habits

Keeping a reading log can encourage you to make reading a regular part of your routine and help you establish a habit of reading.

4) Reflecting on what you have read

A reading log can provide a space to reflect on the books you have read and make notes about what you liked or didn't like about them.

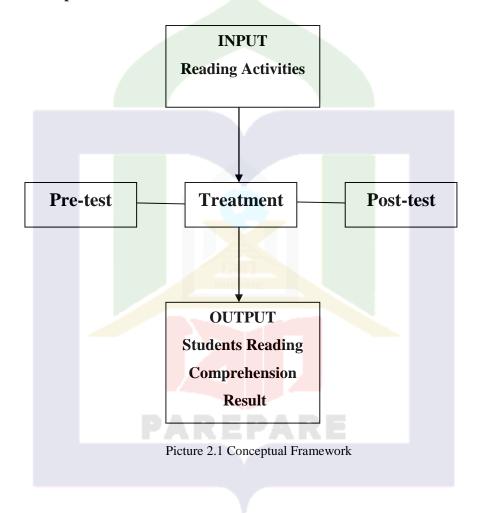
5) Remembering what you have read

A reading log can serve as a record of the books you have read, which can be helpful if you want to revisit a book or recommend it to someone else.

6) Sharing your reading with others

A reading log can be a way to share your reading habits and recommendations with others, whether you share it with friends or post it online.<sup>35</sup>

#### C. Conceptual Framework



 $^{35}....$  "Are Reading Logs Effective ?", Cambrilearn, 5 Jan 2023 ( Diakses pada 10 Feb 2023, Pukul 22.32)

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#### D. Hypothesis

There are two hypothesis in this research. They are Ho (Null Hypotesis) and H1 (Alternative Hypotesis).

- Null hypotesis (Ho): Using reading log strategy is not able to improve the student's reading comprehension at the English department students of IAIN Parepare.
- 2. Alternative Hypotesis (H<sub>1</sub>): Using reading log strategy is able to improve the student's reading comprehension at English department students of IAIN



# **CHAPTER III**

# METHODOLOGY OF RESEARCH

This chapter presents research design, location and duration of research, population and sample of research, research instrument, research variables and definition oprasional variables, and data analysis techniques.

# A. Research Design

This research used pre-experimental design. Pre-test was administered by the researcher to ascertain the students' fundamental comprehension of reading. The subsequent stage is treatment, toward the finish of the example, a post-test is held. The relationship between the pre- and post-test scores of students can be demonstrated<sup>36</sup>. The research design can be describing as:

 $O_1$  X  $O_2$ 

Where:

 $O_1 = Pre-Test$ 

X = Treatment

 $O_2 = Post-Test$ 

 $<sup>^{36}\</sup>mbox{NurfaizahHaris}$  , "The Use of Global Method to Improve Reading Comprehension at the Eighth Grade of SMPN 2 Sungguminasa", 2021.

#### **B.** Research Location and Duration

The location of this research was at IAIN Parepare, Jl. Bukit Harapan, Kec, Amal Bhakti No. Soreang, South Sulawesi's City of Parepare. This research was conducted for approximately one month.

### C. Population and Sample

# 1. Population

The population of this research was the second semester students of English education program students at IAIN Parepare.

Table 3.1The Number of the Second Semester Studentsat English Education Students in IAIN Parepare

No	Class	The Number of Students	
1	Class A	19	
2	Class B	20	
3	Class C	18	
	TOTAL	58	

## 2. Sample

This research use random sampling technique for sample.Random sampling is a type of probability sampling in which every person in the entire target population has the same chance of being selected, but the selection of this sample is done randomly and not sequentially. The sample choosen is Class A with 19 total numbers of student at the second semester of English Education Program. The sample consist of 17 Female and 2 male students.

#### **D.** Research Instrument

There is an instrument that is used, namely the test. The pre-test and post-test reading achievement scores of the students were the most important data in this study.

#### 1. Pre-test

The researcher conducted a pretest to determine students' reading comprehension before being given treatment. Researchers provide reading texts accompanied by essay questions that students will answer after reading the text that has been given.

#### 2. Treatment

After giving the pretest at the beginning of the meeting. The treatment was carried out 4 times. Reading log is used as a strategy. The treatment procedure can be explained as follows:

- a. First, the researcher introduces the material to students.
- b. The researcher explains to students about reading logs.
- c. Researchers provide logs that have been provided by researchers.
- d. Researchers provide reading material that will be distributed for each treatment. Students are given treatment by reading the Journal provided by the researcher. Then, they would write in a reading log, and the researcher would check their readings weekly.

#### 3. Post-test

In the last meeting, the researcher gave a posttest as a measure of increasing students' reading comprehension after being given treatment. Researcher provide reading texts accompanied by essay questions that they will answer.

#### E. Research Variables and Definitions Variables

There are two variables used in this study, namely the independent variable and the dependent variable. The independent variable is a variable that is free from the influence of other variables. The dependent variable is a variable that is influenced by other variables.<sup>37</sup>

### 1. Independent Variable (X)

The independent variable in this study is the use of the reading log strategy. Reading log is a strategy used to understand the content of reading text by writing something related to the reading that has been read according to the reading log format that has been provided.

### 2. Dependent Variable (Y)

The dependent variable in this study was the students' ability to reading comprehension. Reading comprehension is the ability to understand what is read in a text by knowing the essence or purpose of the text.

NindityaIkawati,"KeefektifanPenggunaan Strategi CeritaUlangDalamPembelajaran Membaca Pemahaman Cerpen Pada SiswaKelas X SMA N 1 Srandakan,"2015.

### F. Data Analysis Techniques

According to Bogdan and Sugiyono (2014: 244) that data analysis is the process of searching and systematically compiling the data obtained from the results interviews, fieldnotes, and other materials so they can be easily understood and the can be informed by others.<sup>38</sup>

# 1. The classification students' score

Table 3.2The Classification Students' Score <sup>39</sup>			
No	Classification	Score	
1.	Excellent	80-100	
2.	Good	66-79	
3.	Fair	56-65	
4.	Poor	40-55	
5.	Very poor	≤39	

# 2. Rubric of Reading Comprehension

Table 3.3 Scoring Rubric of Reading Comprehension

No	Criteria	Score
1.	The meaning and structure are correct	4
2.	The meaning is correct and some errors of structure	3
3.	Some errors of meaning and structure	2
4.	The meaning and structure are incorrect	1
5.	No answer	0

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>38</sup>ReysaNais, "Pembelajaran Memproduksi Teks Ulasan Drama Berdasarkan Nilai Moral dengan Menggunakan Teknik Note Taking Pairs Pada Siswa Kelas XI SMA Negeri 22 Bandung,"2016. <sup>39</sup>Arikunto, *Dasar-Dasar Evaluasi Pendidikan*.

3. Scoring the students pre-test and post-test

$$Score = \frac{Students\ correct\ answer}{The\ Total\ of\ Number} x\ 100$$

4. Calculating the rate precentage of the students score:

$$P = \frac{F}{N} x 100$$

# Where:

P : Percentage

F: Frequency

N: Total number of sample

5. Finding out the mean (Me) score by using the following formula:

$$x = \frac{\sum x}{N}$$

#### Where:

X : Mean score

 $\Sigma X$ : The total score (Gay et al, 2011)

N : Number of students

6. Finding out the median (Md) score by using the following formula:

$$Md = Tb \left(\frac{\frac{1}{2}n - F}{f}\right)p$$

Where: (Sugiyono, 2010)

Md: median

Tb: lower limit of median class

p : length of class interval

n : the total number of frequency

F: the sum of all frequencies before the median class

f : median class frequency

7. Finding out the mode (Mo) score by using the following formula :

$$Mo = Tb \left( \frac{b_1}{b_1 + b_2} \right) p$$

Where:

(Sugiyono, 2010)

Mo: Mode

Tb :Class interval limit with the highest frequency

p : The length of class interval

b<sub>1</sub>: Frequency in mode class (frequency in interval class the most) minus the frequency of the closest class interval previously.

b<sub>2</sub>: Frequency in mode class minus class frequency next closest interval.

# **CHAPTER IV**

# FINDING AND DISCUSSION

This chapter presents the findings and discussion. These findings relate to the use of reading log strategies in increasing students' reading comprehension. The discussion reveals the arguments for the research findings.

#### A. Finding

The assessment of students' reading comprehension ability is based on the students' ability to work on the pretest and posttest questions that have been given.

#### 1. The Result of Pre-test

Ta ble. 4.1Percentage of the Students' Score Pre-Test

NO	Classification	Score	Frequency	Percentage
	PAREP	RE		(%)
1.	Excellent	80-100	-	-
2.	Good	66-79	1	5,2 %
3.	Fair	56-65	1	5,2%
4.	Poor	40-55	16	84,2%
5.	Very Poor	≤39	1	5,2%
	Total		19	100%

( DataSorce : Percentage of the Students' Score Pre-Test )

Table 4.1 shows the frequency and percentage of students' pre-test of 19 students. As explained, the highest of students classification in students pre-test was in poor classification with 84,2% or as many 16 students. That is 84,2% of

the data found on the pre-test shows that half of the students have not been able to read comprehension. It is also evident in the table above that none of the students are in the excellent classification.

#### 2. The Result of Post-test

Table. 4.2Percentage of the Students' Score Post-Test

NO	Classification	Score	Frequency	Percentage
				(%)
1.	Excellent	80-100	4	21%
2.	Good	66-79	13	68,4%
3.	Fair	56-65	2	10,5%
4.	Poor	40-55	-	-
5.	Very Poor	≤39	-	-
	Total		19	100%

(Data Source: Percentage of the Students' Score Post-Test)

Table 4.2 shows the frequency and percentage of students' post-test of 19 students. As explained, the highest of students classification in students pre-test was good classification with 68,4 % or as many 13 students.

Based on the results of the student score percentage table, In the pre-test table, it is known that 1 student (5,2%) good classification, 1 student (5,2%) fair classification, 16 students (84,2%) are in the poor classification, and 1 students (5,2%) are in the very poor classification. In the post-test table, it is known that there is 4 student (21%) in an excellent classification, 13 students (68,4%) in a good classification, and 2 students (10,5%) in a fair classification. So, it can be

concluded that there is an increase between the pretest scores and posttest scores.

This clearly shows that after using the reading log, students are able to read well, and students' reading comprehension is quite good. This is based on the occurrence of a shift in levels, where previously all students were in the classifications of fair, poor and very poor, moving to good and excellent classifications.

#### 3. The Mean, Median and Mode Score of the Pre-Test and Post-Test

Table 4.3Students' Score of Mean, Median and Mode in Pre-Test and Post-Test)

Test	Mean	Median	Mode
Pre-Test	48,8	46	46
Post-Test	73,8	75	67

(Data Source: The Mean, Median and ModeScore of Pre-Test and Post-Test)

Based on the table above, the mean of the total pre-test score was 48,8, the median was 46, and the mode was 46. While,the mean of the post-test score was 73,8, the median was 75, and the mode was 67. The results above indicate that, an increase in post-test results indicates that there is a large range of values in than the pre-test value.

Table 4.4Students' Improvement Reading in Reading Comprehension

Indicator	Pre-Test	Post-Test	Improving (%)
Mean Score	48,8	73,8	51,2%

Based on the table above it can be seen that the mean value of the pre-test is 48,8 and the post-test is 73,8. The increase in pre-test and post-test was 51,2 %,

this result is an increase in the percentage of students' reading ability in the post-test after the treatment.

Based on these results, it was concluded that the use of the Reading Log Strategy was able to provide a greater improvement in reading comprehension.

#### 4. Hypothesis Testing

To determine the significance level before and after testing researchers used attest analysis with a significance level (p) of 0.05 with degrees of freedom (df)=N-1. Where N=number of subjects (19 students). To find out a degree of freedom (df) the researcher used the following formula:

$$df = N-1$$

$$df = 19-1$$

$$df = 18$$
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**Table 4.5 The Test of Significance** 

Variable	T-Test	T-Table Value
Pre-test – Post-test	10.217	1.734

( Data Source : The Test of Significance )

For a significance level of 5% (p = 0.05) and df = 18. The t-table value is 1.734 and the t-test value is 10.217. It can be seen that the t-test value is greater than the t-table value (10.217> 1.734). This shows that there is a big difference in the results of the pre-test and post-test between students. Therefore, the null hypothesis (Ho) is rejected and the alternative

hypothesis (H<sub>1</sub>) is accepted. Thus, it can be concluded that the use of the reading log strategy can improve reading comprehension

#### **B.** Discussion

This section discusses the findings or results of data collection that describe students' reading comprehension using strategic reading logs. Reading comprehension is the ability to understand what is read in a text by knowing the essence or purpose of the text. This explains that reading comprehension requires the reader to be able to understand the intent of the text being read, such as drawing conclusions from what is read. Then a strategy is needed to improve students' reading comprehension, namely the reading log strategy.

Reading log is a strategy used to understand the content of reading text by writing something related to what has been read according to the reading log format provided. The use of the reading log strategy certainly provides benefits to improve reading comprehension. The use of the Reading Log strategy in the second semester students' reading comprehension of the English Department of IAIN Parepare, explained that there was a significant increase in students' reading comprehension after being given treatment, this can be seen from the results of the pre-test and post-test.

Based on the results of the treatments given by the researcher, it was found that there was an increase in students' reading comprehension. At the beginning of the

pre-test, some students scored with a very poor classification. Thus, there are several reasons for the increase, explained in the following paragraphs.

First, the findings of researchers in the field show that there is an addition to students' vocabulary after reading the text. This can be seen from the students' reading activities, which are carried out repeatedly so that the students' vocabulary increases. Increasing the vocabulary will make students have more diverse word choices and change the way they think with the new vocabulary they know. This is in line with Kasno's findings that vocabulary mastery will influence students' ways of thinking and creativity in the language learning process, so that vocabulary mastery can determine the quality of a student in language (Kasno, 2014).

Second, by using the reading log, students can understand the text they read. This is in line with the findings in the field that some students wrote answers that did match the questions given. This is consistent with the findings of M. Nur Hakim et al., who found that understanding reading texts is the most important process in reading activities to find out more about the topics conveyed by the author (M. Nur Hakim et al., 2023). Therefore, Understanding the text read is very important to increasing students' knowledge of reading texts.

Third, students are able to identify the essence of the problem in the text. The findings of the researchers showed that students were able to determine and write down the main issues written in the reading log and students' post-test answers. This finding is in line with Handayani's assertion that with the ability to solve problems,

students become skilled in gathering information, analyzing, and re-examining the results that have been obtained (Handayani, 2017).

Fourth, students are able to write conclusions. This is related to the researcher's findings that students are able to draw and make conclusions based on the text they read in the reading log. The findings from Yuni &Fisa explain that the ability to write conclusions is a very important stage because, through this stage, students will be able to extract the essence of the learning process they have carried out (Yuni &Fisa, 2020; Yuni, 2015).

The last, students have the ability to think critically. Stuents can analyze and evaluate what they have read and give more varied and developed answers after reading the text. This happened because students were motivated to answer the questions given in the reading log. This is in line with the findings of Sardi A. et al., who found that one source of critical thinking is controlling our conscious thinking processes when answering questions (Sardi A. et al., 2022). Therefore, the questions in the reading log are very useful for building students' reasoning skills in critical thinking. This is also in accordance with the statement of Nurfauziah and Latifah that writing skill activities are very effective in learning activities by training the power of thinking in solving a complex problem, resulting in creative and critical thinking to be put into writing. As well, basically, writing activities are needed, especially in learning that requires students to be skilled in writing (Nurfauziah& Latifah 2019).

The results of giving the pre-test to students, then doing the treatment 4 times and giving the post-test showed that there was an increase in students' reading

comprehension, as evidenced by the mean pre-test result was 38.8 and the mean result in the post- test was 70.2, it can be concluded that there is an increase in students' reading comprehension as much as 68,2%.



#### **CHAPTER V**

#### **CLOSING**

This chapter presents the conclusion of the research, and suggestion for the lecturer, the students, and for the further researchers.

#### A. Conclusion

Based on the findings and discussion of the previous chapter, the researcher concludes that: The reading log strategy was able to improve students' reading comprehension in the English Department of IAIN Parepare, the results showed that the mean pre-test score of students was 48.8 and the mean post-test score was 73.8. Based on these results, there is a difference or increase between the mean pretest and posttest scores.

Based on the results of the hypothesis test, the null hypothesis (Ho) is rejected and the alternative hypothesis (H1) is accepted, with a t-test of 10.217> t-table, namely 1,743. Based on these results, it is explained that there is an increase in reading comprehension of second-semester students in the English Department at IAIN Parepare. The use of the reading log strategy is very beneficial for students because they can easily write down the important things they get in the provided reading log and also practice their writing skills.

# **B.** Suggestions

Based on the conclusions that have been described, the researcher provides suggestions:

#### 1. For Lecturer

Because the results of the research that has been done are positive, the researchers suggest using reading logs for students to improve their reading comprehension.

#### 2. For Students

Students can use this research to increase their knowledge and curiosity about something so that they are motivated to continue learning.

# 3. For Further Researcher

Researchers hope that this research can help further researchers in collecting data using other skills such as writing.



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#### **ABSTRACT**

This article discusses the influence of English-language content creators on Indonesian social media users. The purpose of this study is to find out how much influence the content creators' English content has in improving speaking skills in English. All the data we used were in the form of a questionnaire with a qualitative methodology, and our research sample covered various levels of education and the general public, with a total of 75 respondents. The research findings show that there

is an increase in students' English-speaking skills. Based on these results, the impact of English-speaking creator content on students' English-speaking skills is increasing in terms of their pronunciation and way of communicating

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#### INTRODUCTION

One of the four essential qualities of English is speaking. According to Sarosdy, Bencze, Poor, and Vadnay (2006) in (Kosdian, 2017), speaking seems to be the most significant of the four basic abilities (listening, reading, speaking, and writing), since persons who know a language are called to as "speakers," as if speaking encompassed all other sorts of language knowledge. Because it may be used to communicate with individuals from all over the country, English is often known as an international language. The majority of Indonesians, on the other hand, avoid speaking English out of fear, laziness, and the perception that it is difficult.

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The questionnaire was distributed to social media users and consisted of 12 statements on a scale of 1-5. Questions were posed to social media users in the form of a questionnaire in order to learn about their reactions to English-language creator content. The graph below depicts the percentages obtained for each component asked of students.

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Based from the results of findings, the language style of foreign content creators is easier to understand when it comes to improving speaking skills. Fluency refers to the ease with which you communicate yourself, especially while speaking. The explanation may have a few grammar errors, but it should be given in a clear and understandable manner that demonstrates your command of the language. This is one of the abilities to work on for an oral presentation or debate in an academic or even professional context. As crucial as the content of your presentation is how you explain your issue or illustrate your argument - smooth, clear, and succinct without too many pauses or hesitations. As according AKIR (2006), as a result of the growing focus on communicative methods, the use of videos in foreign language has expanded rapidly. Furthermore, according to a large-scale study conducted by Canning-Wilson (in AKIR, 2006), students prefer to learn language using video. People enjoy watching video because it is engaging, difficult, and exciting.

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and communication abilities. When the event and circumstances are unusual, people are more interested in learning. It enthuses them and makes them feel more at ease. To summarise, YouTube may be used to improve English speaking abilities (Riswandi, 2016). People are more confident, have correct expression, intonation, and gestures after utilizing YouTube to study speaking and emulate how native speakers talk. Instructors are encouraged to include YouTube into their respective curriculum to get a competitive advantage in the learning/teaching environment (Moghavvemi et al., 2018). They're also employing correct language phrases. This study demonstrates that utilizing YouTube to learn how to talk can help people gain confidence. It teaches people how to speak like a native speaker, and they are no longer unsure whether what they are saying is correct or incorrect since they have witnessed how an English native speaker communicates. During the third semester of the academic year 2015/2016 at Muhammadiyah University of Metro, (Qomar, 2018) discovered that YouTube may improve students' speaking skills, including pronunciation, grammar, word choice, maintaining discussion, and organizing thoughts

#### **CONCLUSION**

According to the findings of this study, the majority of social media users search for English-language creator content on YouTube. Social media users also find it easy to search for English-language creator content, and this research shows that after watching content created by English-language creators, social users' speaking skills, pronunciation, and communication style improve. For further research, the findings suggest that researchers plan a longer research period to observe the reaction.

# UTILIZING COMIC STRIPS TO ENHANCE STUDENTS' WRITING NARRATIVE SKILL

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#### **ABSTRACT**

As a complex skill, writing is not easy to teach since it involves many skills and languageaspects such as planning, drafting, and editing, spelling, grammar, punctuation, etc. As wellas a narrative text — a true story or fiction appears to be more complex that needs a fascinatingway to teach it. Therefore, one of the ways that seems fit to teach it is using an interestingmediae.g. comic strips that can facilitate students in the process of writing. Hence, aquantitative study was conducted to find out whether or not using comic strips can enhance

students' writing narrative skills. To carry out this study, the writer used students of IX 2 asthe subject of this study. By means of the data collected from of pre-test and post-test, the resultshows that utilizing comic strips can successfully enhance students' writing narrative skillreflected in the post-test result of their composition covering all language aspects calledcontent, organization, vocabulary, grammar, and mechanics. The significant difference in thefindings can be seen in the average score: content increased from 11.8 to 16.2, the organization from 11.8 to 15.8, vocabulary from 9.6 to 13, grammar from 7.8 to 11, and mechanics from 9.4 to 12.2 with the improvement for each aspect was 4.4, 4, 3.4, 3.2, and 2.8. Based on theseproofs, it can be concluded that utilizing comic strips can successfully enhance students' writing narrative skill. Consequently, finding an attractive way in teaching narrative writingsuch as using comic strips is required in order to overcome students' writing difficulties.

**Keywords:** comic strips, writing skill, narrative text.

#### **INTRODUCTION**

English has been decided as a compulsory subject in high school as it is an international language. Teaching English as a form of language learning always deals with communicative competence. As regulated in curriculum 2013 (Regulation of Indonesia Ministry of Education and Culture, No 68,2013), communicative proficiencies consist of four skills, and they must be mastered by students, for instance, writing skills. In the matter of this skill, the curriculum expects that senior high school students must have an ability to comprehend and create various kinds of short functional and monolog texts and essays in the form of procedure, descriptive, report, and narrative.

Unfortunately, this expectation becomes not easy to achieve since writing is one of theskills considered the most complicated one due to its complexities. Hedge as cited in Jamaris(2013) states that writing is a complex process which is not easy and nor spontaneous for manysecond language writers. He also clarifies that writing includes several activities namely, setting goals, generating ideas, organizing information, selecting appropriate language, makinga draft, reading and reviewing, revising, and editing. Thus, in writing, one should engage insome activities in order to get good writing. Such problems become an obstacle in achieving the goal of the curriculum as affirmedin standard competence and basic competence for SMP and SMA in which students are able to express the meaning and rhetorical steps in a short simple essay using written language accurately, fluently, and acceptable in daily life context in the form of mentioned texts included

narrative text as the focus of this research. Thus, a creative way is needed to overcome theproblems such as using media-comic strips. It is assumed that this media can facilitate studentsin writing narrative text since comic strips contain pictures and dialog that can ease students towrite a narrative story.

According to Al-Jumaily (2015), writing is form of a communication using symbols in the process of expressing ideas. Further explanation of this is clarified by Joko (2013) saying that writing is a way to express ideas coming from minds which

then is encrypted in writtenform based on its purpose and text genre. Therefore, to be able to write good writing, oneshould have skills, master grammar, vocabulary, and punctuation.

In short, to obtain effective writing, a writer needs to accomplish all processes elucidated above. The general processes used are prewriting, drafting, revising, and publishing. Considering writing as a complex skill, a writer requires to complete all these stages which are meant to improve her/his composition.

What is more, Mantra and Kumara (2018) further state that writing involves not onlymicro skill like language use and mechanic skills, but also it engages macro skill such as widerareas of writing including communicative purpose of writing, main and supported ideas, theliteral and implied meaning of a written form. In terms of narrative writing text, Nagin in Basuki (2012) defines it as storytelling, whether it tells a true story or fiction which contains action, dialog, elaborate details, and humor played by certain characters. In addition, Rambe (2017) states that the social function ofnarrative writing is to entertain the readers which is constructed into three or four genericstructures as follows: (a) Orientation: Tell the readers about who was involved and where ithappened? (b) Complication: What happened and the evaluation of the problem or crisis that contended in the event? (c) Evaluation: What are the evaluations of the people involved in this event? (d) Resolution: How the problem or crisis was settled down and resumed to normal. What is more, as declared by Kunzle (2013) in the encyclopedia Britanica Inc. that comicstrip is a narrative-designed picture series containing simple-cut story (highlight words) todescribe what is happening in the images. By reading the images with the highlights, the readers can generate the story chronologically on their own.

Additionally, Lavery (2011) verifies that comic strips make students friendly in any activity in learning a language as comic strips: (1) Tell a complex story in a few images. (2) Provide comments and provoke thought on events and issues in the news. (3) Give an example of vocabulary related to the current issue. (4) Give the illustration of idioms and expressions. (5) Stimulate dialog to inject humor into a

class session. (6) Provide basic oral discourse and writing activities. (7) Show culture and values in action with the ways that men or women are behaving and are expected to behave. It can be interpreted that by means of comic strips, all skills mentioned above can be trained and enhanced since they permit teachers and students to explore language creatively.

#### **METHODS**

This study was investigated by using pre-experimental quantitative research called one group pretest and posttest design. This involves only one group of students (where the researcher experiments the study) without any control group. Ary, et al (2006) add that this design encompasses three steps, namely administering a pre-test or measuring the dependent variable, applying the experimental treatment or showing the independent variable, and running a posttest to measure the dependent variable. The most common instrument of quantitative research to gain data is through a test following pretest, treatment, and post-test.

This research was conducted at SMPS MuslimatSamalanga, which is located at Jl. Kampong Putoh, Samalanga, Bireuen. There are 15 classes in total, 5 classes for every grade. The population of this research was all of the third graders of SMP SwastaMuslimatSamalanga. Since this is the one-group pre-test-post-test design, the sample chosen was one class (IX.2) and it was selected by using the purposive sampling technique.

#### FINDING AND DISCUSSIONS

From the calculation of the mean score, it was found that the pre-test's mean score was 52, indicating that this score was too far from the standard score (65). It might happen due to the problems or difficulties faced by the students in which their knowledge of narrative writing text was too low including a lack of understanding of the aspects involved. While for the posttest mean score, it shows a different outcome if it is compared to the pretest result. It can be seen that the mean score reaches 71

and it means the students' skills increase somehow and achieve the passing grade. The result of pre-test and post-test is presented.

The displays the scale of students' scores in pretest and posttest. It can be witnessed that there was a significant difference in what students achieve before and after they learn narrative writing text using comic strips. In the pretest, almost all respondents got scores under 60 which could not reach a passing grade. But, in the post-test, their score made a considerable improvement where the scores were mostly above 60 and reached the standard grade. Furthermore, after both pretest and posttest were calculated and analyzed using the formula of the excel program, all of the results are noted as follows: the standard deviation was 4.7871, and the t-score was 19.84.

These outcomes are useful to do further analysis. To see the detailed information on how the students' achievement in the narrative text writing. Content as the first aspect increased from 11.8 to 16.2 with the degree of improvement is 4.4. In the organization aspect, the score raised from 11.8 to 15.8 with the enhancement is 4 indicating that the students become aware of how to state ideas clearly in their writing though somewhat choppy. For vocabulary, it increased from 9.6 to 13 with the improvement is 3.4. In the grammar aspect, the score enhances from 7.8 to 11 with the degree of improvement is 3.2. The last aspect –mechanics increases from 9.4 to 12.2 with the enhancement is 2.8. The preview of these results.

Based on the comparison of the pre-test and post-test result above, it indicates that comic strips is efficient to enhance students understanding of each aspect of narrative writing covering content, organization, vocabulary, grammar, and mechanics. As had been found from the calculation before the t-score of this research result is 19.84, while the t-table is 2.160. It can be inferred that from both scores t-score is higher than the t-table (tscore 19.84 > t-table 2.160) and it confirms that the alternative hypothesis is accepted and the null hypothesis is rejected. As a result, as the accepted hypothesis says that comic strips successfully

improves students' ability in writing narrative text. In other words, it can be said that utilizingcomic strips overcomes students' difficulties in writing narrative text and improves their abilityin writing the text.

#### CONCLUSION

Based on the result found, the conclusion regarding the focus of this research is concluded here. As have been mentioned before that due to the acceptance of alternative hypothesis, it can be inferred that utilizing comic strips in teaching narrative text writing successfully improves the writing skill of the third-grade students of SMP Muslimat Samalanga covering the lack of ideato write and organize the ideas, lack of vocabulary, lack understanding of grammar. The

improvement can be acknowledged from the result of post-test which is higher than the pretest. It covers all of the writing components such as the content of the story they developed, theorganization of the text, vocabulary usage, grammar use, and mechanic. These all components got improved as students were facilitated with comic strips since they helped the students indeveloping each step of the story. Furthermore, the activity also promoted interesting atmosphere for the students where they were given a media with pictures and clue words storythat could bring them develop their imagination. All in all, it is really important to facilitate students with media that can stimulate their progress rather than asking them to achieve a goal without something to rely on.

PAREPARE

# AN ANALYSIS OF STUDENTS' PUNCTUATION IN WRITING RECOUNT TEXT

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#### **ABSTRACT**

The aims of this research are to investigate the types of errors' punctuation and the dominanterrors' punctuation in students' writing recount text at the eleventh grade of SMAN 14KabupatenTangerang. Using descriptive qualitative as a method, this research carried out on32 students in class XI Bahasa 2 at the eleventh grade. The data were collected from theresults of students' writing of recount text. The result of the research shows that types of errorsof punctuation marks made by students are 88 or 91,67% errors in omission, 3 or 3,12% errors in addition, and 5 or 5,21% errors in misformation. Meanwhile, the types of punctuation errors that dominant occur in writing recount text were period with 53,1% or 51 errors made by the eleventh grade of SMAN 14 Kabupaten Tangerang. It can be concluded that the eleventh grade students of SMAN 14 Tangerang have difficulty in using punctuation.

**Keywords**: Error analysis, punctuation, recount text, writing.

#### INTRODUCTION

As a universal language, English is used for communication between countries. We are expanded to be able to use English effectively. Listening, speaking, reading, and writing are the four skills that are crucial for learning English. Students need to master a precise set of skills to study and comprehend English effectively. English is one of the courses studied from elementary school through high school in Indonesia. Each skill has a dissimilar complexity level, and the most complexity skill in language is writing (Richards &Renandya, 2002). According to Celce-Murcia & Elite (2000) Writing is the hardest skill to master to be learned because writing requires

more effective language control than listening, speaking, and reading. Students typically have more time to reflect in writing than when speaking in front of the class. They can review what they already know and seek clarification from dictionaries, grammar guides, and other reference resources. Writing is an essential ability for learners studying English since it allows them to express their thoughts on a particular object and develop it into good writing. To do a good writing, students not only need a lot of vocabulary, but also have to understand grammatical structure, punctuation. Three principles guide in writing: mechanics, or even the convention that a sentence should start with a capital letter and conclude with a full stop (punctuation); usage, on the appropriate use of the language in specific circumstances; and grammar, the principles that provide language structure (Kane, 2000).

The writer conducted observations and interviews with English teacher. The observationis conducted in the practice of writing a text that has been done by the writer. It shows thatstudents make many mistakes in writing the text. The results revealed that student errors occurdue to several things, including a lack of students' knowledge about punctuation, lack of students' understanding of grammatical structures, and misuse capitalization. As explained that one of the problems that occur in student errors is punctuation, a crucial thing in writing. Therefore, the writer tried to find out types of students' error in using punctuation.

Punctuation marks are symbols that represent the structure and order of written text, aswell as intonation and pauses that should be observed when reading aloud (Jane, 2008). Punctuation marks have been applied to avoid expressions from being misunderstood and toallow full comprehension of written language (Shweba&Mujiyanto, 2017). Furthermore, Lauchman, (2010) states that punctuation is a writing code that is frequently required formeaning and emphasis. Punctuation works as a code for identifying markers in a sentence or paragraph.

There are several types of punctuation. According to (Hamilton, 2007), (Straus &Kaufman, 2014), (Mitchell et al., 2007), (Harmer, 2004), (Abdulkhaleq, 2019), (Stillman, 1997), (Kirkman, 2006) there are several types of punctuation, they

are: 1) Full Stop/Periods(.) to signal the end of a declarative phrase. It also serves other purposes besides being a sign,2) Commas (,), to signal list of nouns, used in quotation, and used before a coordinating conjunction, 3) Semicolons (;), like commas, it indicates an audible pause that is a little longerthan a comma but not quite a full stop, 4) Colons (:), used to separate hours and minutes andto separate a tittle from subtitle The punctuation mark known as a colon serves a variety of purposes, 5) Ouotation Marks ("") commonly used in direch speech, 6) Parentheses (()) is used to enclose an interrupting word or word group that adds information and to clarify anidea, 7) Brackets ([]), Brackets are only used in specific situations. Only within quotedmaterial are brackets (like single quotation marks) used. Parentheses are used much morefrequently than brackets, 8) Apostrophes (') is used for contractions and possession, 9) Hyphens (-) to divide a word that is too long to fit on one line; to separate syllables of wordsto illustrate pronunciation; and as a leader in tabular work. 10) Dashes (—) is used to show abreak in thought in a sentence, to summarize or provide information, or a sudden stops inspeech, 11) Ellipses (...), to indicate an omission of a word or words within a sentence, to show that the speaker has been interrupted, and to indicate a trailing off in speech or thought, 12) Question Marks (?) is used after a direct question, 13) Exclamation Marks (!), the exclamation mark denotes a strong emotional response, 14) Slash (/) to express alternatives and indicates when a unit of one physical quantity is divided into units of another physical quantity, e.g. m/s.

Recount text was selected by the writer as a method for gathering data for this researchsince the text describes past experiences. Recount texts list and describe past experiences byretelling events in the chronological order in which they occurred (Yusnita, Sada, & Novita,2011). In line with this, Hyland (2003) argued that recount text are used to recreate the pastby remembering happenings in their original order. Furthermore, Knapp&Watkins (2005)stated the genre's simplest text type is recount. Recount is a type of sequential writing that primarily provides to order a sequence of happenings (Knapp & Watkins, 2005). The writermakes the case that since they are

experiencing the event, students can easily recount their experiences when using recount text. As a result, students can readily communicate their feelings memorable experiences or other intriguing events.

Some related researches have been conducted to found out the the use of punctuation inwriting. The first research from Sarif, Hidayati, and Humaira (2018) entitled "An ErrorAnalysis of Using Punctuation Made by Students in Descriptive Text at the Second YearStudents of SMPN 3 Wera in Academic Year 2017/2018". The research focused on analyzingstudents' error in using punctuation marks on period and comma. It reveals that there are twotypes of punctuation and two types of errors (comma, omission, addition, and period) that are classified. Based on the findings of this study, theresearcher came to the conclusion that students continued to often misuse punctuation.

#### **METHOD**

This research aims to analyze the punctuation that students usually use in writing. The writerapplied it to the eleventh-grade students. The writer conducted research at SMAN 14Kabupaten Tangerang in academic year 2022/2023. The writer used a qualitative techniqueand descriptive research design with error analysis processes in this research. Descriptiveanalysis is research that seeks to describes a situation phenomenon without manipulating thedata or paying special attention to the research issue (Sukmadinata, 2016). Descriptiveresearch produces and describes what exists. This indicate that descriptive study concentrated only on describing the phenomenon rather than treating the students (Gay &Airasian, 2000). This research was conducted from December 2021. To collect the data, the writer explains the material about recount text, then give instructions to the students to make a recount text with a free topic. After the students finished making the recount text, the writer analyse the students' writing based on the theory of Milesand Huberman (1984) and classified the punctuation errors in the recount text that had been made by the students based on

theory of Dulay, Burt, and Krashen (1982). The writer describe the number of errors and make a percentage of each type of error, to find out the most frequent errors.

#### FINDINGS AND DISCUSSION

The purpose of this research was to examine punctuation errors in writing recount text madeby the eleventh grade of SMAN 14 Kabupaten Tangerang. The writer requested the studentsto write a recount text about their experiences or memorable occasions as part of a writing testin order to collect the data. 32 students in class XI Bahasa 2 took the writing test that the writercreated. The writer analysis the results and points out the punctuation error that was found instudent written recount text. In categorize the punctuation mistakes, there are four types oferrors according to Dulay, Burt, and Krashen (1982) they are; omission, addition, misformation, and misordering.

The percentages of the findings of the study above showed errors are classified by thewriter as omissions, additions, misformation, and misordering. The writer found that omissionis the most common error students make, which has 91,67% or 88 cases of the total errors. This type of error happened because students cannot distinguish between an old sentence and new sentence, as shown by the table, which showed the percentage of each error based onthe classification. The second type of error, misformation, which has 5,21% or 5 cases of thetotal errors, and it happened when students cannot tell which kind of punctuation to used. Thenext error type is addition, which has 3,12% or 3 cases of the total errors. This error typehappened when students utilized punctuation that should not be used in the phrase. The lasterror type, misordering. In this case the writer did not find this type of error in the students' writing.

#### **CONCLUSION**

The writer seeks to draw some conclusions from the data analysis and discussion in the previous chapter. The writer discovered three different types of errors that students of the eleventh-grade in SMAN 14 Kabupaten Tangerang make in writing recount text: omission, addition, and misformation. To sum up, there were 96 cases of errors made by the students, with 88 or 91,67% errors in omission, 3 or 3,12% errors in addition, and 5 or 5,21% errors in misformation.

The writer also observed that the students made mistakes when using the period, comma, and apostrophe. Period errors are the cause of most punctuation errors in recount text written by students of SMAN 14 Kabupaten Tangerang in eleventh grade, with a total of 51 errors or 53,1%. Then the total number of errors that occur in comma is 43 or 44.8%. The last error, an apostrophe, has a total of 2 errors, or 2.1% From the results of the research, it can be concluded

that omission is the most frequent error with 91,67% or 88 occurrences of errors made by students in writing recount text. Then the types of punctuation errors that dominant occur in writing recount text were period with 53,1% or 51 errors made by the eleventh grade of SMAN 14 Kabupaten Tangerang.

# THE APPLICATION OF KINDLING STRATEGY TO TEACHING READING OF VOCATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL 3 PAYAKUMBUH

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#### **ABSTRACT**

The review intends to know whether fuel methodology is powerful to further develop understudies' perusing expertise at the 10th grader of SMK. Related to the phenomena the teachers face in the school that they feel difficult in teaching reading to the students. The population for this research was 538 students, with a sample size of 40 students from class X.1. The study was an experimental study in which only one class was treated with the technique. The research instrument was reading test, the test was valid because it had content validity. To answer the hypothesis the data was scored by using T-test formula to see whether the application of Kindling strategy gives significant effect in reading or not. The consequence of this examination

showed that the method score of exploratory class is higher than control class. The means score of trial class was 64,81 and the methods score of control class was 62,50. It mean the aftereffect of the t-test showed H1 was dismissed and H0 is acknowledged.

**Keywords:** kindling strategy, English reading, teaching reading

#### INTRODUCTION

Reading is one of the abilities that vocational senior high school students will be able to master, and it should be taught properly by teachers who play an important part in curricular progression. The teacher can provide resources to boost student knowledge by referring toeveryday reading material such as "train schedules, newspaper articles, and travel and tour is mwebsites." According to Johnson (2008: 3), reading is the practice of employing text to produce meaning. Creating and meaning are the two crucial words here. Reading is also the act of connecting one thought to another.

As we probably are aware, perusing appreciation is the capacity of the perusers to get thetext's importance. The are a few factors that impact students" understanding cognizance. Factors impacting a reader's knowledge, according to McCormack and Pasquarelli (2010: 110), consider factors such as the learner's preferences and motivations, as well as their basicknowledge and their ability to activate schemas both before and throughout reading. Inaddition, the demands of the reading assignment, as well as the harshness of the text, have animpact on readers' comprehension.

Schumm (2006, p. 223) says that reading comprehension is using your background knowledge and the writer's clues to figure out what the author was trying to say. Perusing perception incorporates the grasping about unambiguous setting and their communication :peruser, text, assignment, setting, and circumstance. The teacher should be active when teaching reading to avoid boredom among pupils during the teaching and learning process. The teacher should then have strategies to guide and motivate students to learn English. As Nunan (2003:69) argues, reading is

a dynamic activity in which the reader blends knowledge from the a book and their past knowledge to generate meaning. This implies that reading students should already be proficient in the language's fundamentals.

There were various issues with the reading activity that made it ineffective. According to the researcher's experience as a teacher, the difficulties could stem from both teachers and pupils. First, the issues stem from the teacher; teachers rarely employ engaging strategies to encourage children to engage in reading activities. As a result, the teacher's teaching technique is ineffective in attracting pupils' attention to reading. It causes students to become bored while reading. Reading practice is what helps us became better readers (Johnson 2008:4).

Second, several issues were brought forward by students. The first is a lack of vocabulary and grammar among kids. The second issue is that pupils are less motivated to read. Finally, students are too lethargic to read a long book, making it difficult for them to locate the essential point and comprehend the material. To put it differently, perusing is a type of English language competency where someone or students try to gain meaning from the written words. A written or printed symbol must be translated into an appropriate sound, as Elizabeth and Rao (2010:278) acknowledge. As a result, the symbol (whether written or printed), sound, and perception all play a role in reading.

In addition, according to Brassell and Rasinski (2008: 15), reading is a multimodal activity that involves the eyes, hearing, and tongue. To put it another way, reading is the ability to understand or make sense of written material. This means that in order to truly understand what you're reading, you must go over it more than once. To defeat the issue over, the educator ought to have the option to involve technique in instructing perusing. Numerous techniques can be utilized in educating perusing. One of the showing perusing procedures that can be utilized to assist understudies with fostering their capacity in perusing was by utilizing Kindling system.

#### **METHODS**

The writer only treated one experimental class in the study. According to Gay, Mills, andAirasian (2011: 250), experimental research can test hypotheses to establish cause and effect. In experimental research, the researcher manipulates at least one independent variable, controlsother factors, and observes dependent variables. However, the researcher used just post-testcontrols. This study uses a postest-only control group design as its research strategy. Infollowing up on the findings of Gay et al. (2011:269), the post-test-only control group designis identical to that of the pretest – except that there is no pretest and participants are randomlyallocated to at least two groups, treated with various treatments and then retested.

The writer was taught to classes; experimental class and control class. In experimental class the researcher was treated with *KIndling*strategy. In control class, the researcher was treated without *KIndling*strategy. The teacher taught the students using the usual method, like teaching reading by giving the text, then ask them to find the difficult word, etc. The researcher was taught both classes for eight meeting. For the last meeting, the researcher gave test to both of the classes. Then, the score was analyze to find effectiveness of treatment. The sample of this study was 40 students in class X.1 out of 538 students as the population. In analyzing the students scores, the writer used the formula suggested by Sudijono (2009:217). Then, the normality data was analyzed by using Liliefors formula suggested by Irianto. At the end, T-test formula was used in analyzing the data.

#### FINDING AND DISCUSSIONS

There were experimental and control class in this research. In the experimental class, the students were taught by Kindling strategy, while the control class was taught without *Kindling* strategy. The calculated result of the students' scores in both classes are presented as the following table:

Table 7. The result of Post Test

No	Result of The Research					
		Post Test				
		Experimental class	Control class			
1	Total Score	1749,9	1999,87			
2	$\bar{x}$	64,81	62,50			
3	N	27	32			
4	SS	2019,229	2022,4285			

t- calculated	1,06
t- table	2,000
level of significance	0,05
Df	57

To summarise, it is clear from the table above, which shows that the t-calculated value of 1,06 was lower than the table's value 2,000 in level significance (0,05) and the degree offreedom (df) isn1+n2-2=57, with the name of result in experimental class is 27 and totalscore is 2019,229, while in control class the total score is 2022,4285. So then, H0 is regarded true. Therefore, this suggests no discernible impact among the SMK N 3 Payakumbuhtenthgraders.

After scoring the students' answer sheet, the means score of experimental class was 64,81 and the means of students in control class was 62,50. Then, the total score of experimental classwas 1749,9 and the total score of control class was 1999,87. Sum square of experimental classwas 2019,229 and sum square of control class was 2022,4285. By using t-test formula, it foundthat t-calculated was 1,06 and t-table was 2,000 with the level significance (a) was 0,05 and degree of freedom (df) = 57

Then, teaching reading with the Kindling technique to eight tenth graders at SMK N 3Payakumbuh had no significant benefit. So it means H1 rejected and H0 was accepted. The hypothesis was tested by comparing the post-test score of both classes using the ttestformula. Next, the result of t-calculated was compared by t-table. The result of t-calculatedwas 1,06 and t-table 2,000 with degree of freedom (df) was 57 and the level of significant 0,05. It means t-table was bigger than t-calculated.

So, the null hypothesis (H0) was accepted and the alternative hypothesis (H1) wasrejected. Therefore, using the Kindling technique to teach reading to tenth-graders at SMK N3 Payakumbuh shows no meaningful impact.

The Kindling technique was then found to be ineffective in the classroom when it cameto teaching reading. Because of various reasons, this method made the learner less interestedin reading. First, the kids' grasp of English makes it difficult to learn English. Then there's theissue of time constraints, which contributes to students' challenges in finishing content inreading classes. Finally, and due to this method, kids found studying English to be tedious toread.

According to the study's findings, teaching reading through the Kindling technique doesnot assist children enhance their reading activity at SMK N 3 Payakumbuh.

#### **CONCLUSION**

This study examined the impact of teaching reading with the Kindling technique to tenthgraders at SMK N 3 Payakumbuh in 2016-2017. The collected data of the students' scores indicate that the experimental class has a higher mean score than the control class. The mean score for the experimental group was 64.81, while the mean score for the control group was 62.50. Therefore, the t-test result indicated H1 was rejected and H0 was approved.. Nevertheless, the findings point to a significant rise in quality. The study of the kindling technique was successfully successful in teaching speaking due to the students' experiences of some hurdles. A statistical approach that gave the result in which the t score was higher than the t table score demonstrated that it was true. In conclusion, the author expresses the expectation that the study results will be useful for English teachers in enhancing their students' ability to speak English.

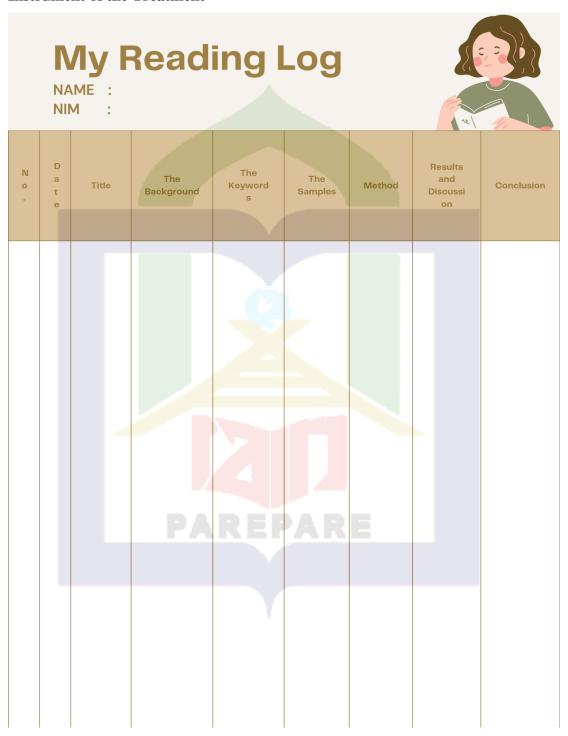
# **Students Pre-test Results**

NO	Students Name	Pre-Test	Classification
1.	MR	46	Poor
2.	NAM	46	Poor
3.	RS	46	Poor
4.	TS	46	Poor
5.	AF	53	Poor
6.	IY	35	Very Poor
7.	NRA	53	Poor
8.	TW	75	Good
9.	AD	46	Poor
10.	NAR	46	Poor
11.	NR	50	Poor
12.	SW	57	Fair
13.	MA	DARIE 50	Poor
14.	IA	46	Poor
15.	NWA	46	Poor
16.	NA	46	Poor
17.	IS	50	Poor
18.	MR	46	Poor
19.	NH	46	Poor
	TOTAL		929

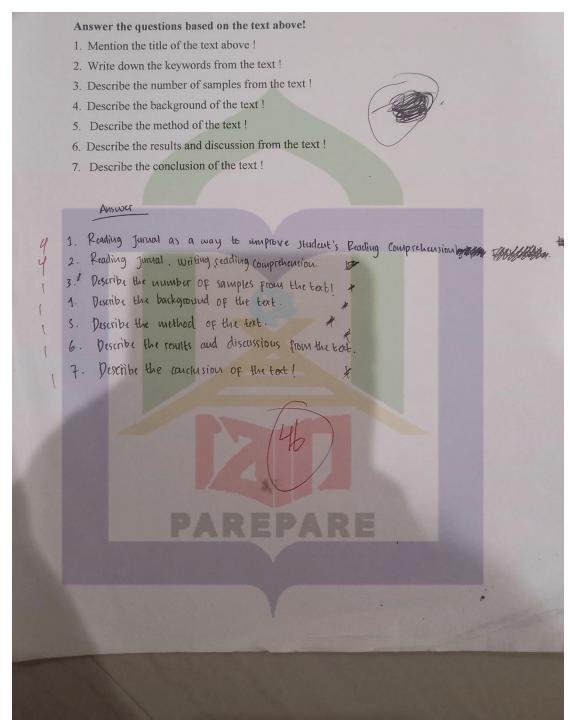
# **Students Post-test Results**

NO	Students	Post-Test	Classification
	Name		
1.	MR	67	Excellent
2.	NAM	82	Good
3.	RS	82	Good
4.	TS	71	Good
5.	AF	82	Good
6.	IY	78	Good
7.	NRA	75	Good
8.	TW	75	Good
9.	AD	75	Good
10.	NAR	71	Good
11.	NR	67	Fair
12.	SW	60	Fair
13.	MA	71	Good
14.	IA	78	Good
15.	NWA	78	Good
16.	NA	67	Fair
17.	IS	78	Good
18.	MR	82	Good
19.	NH	67	Poor
	TOTAL		1403

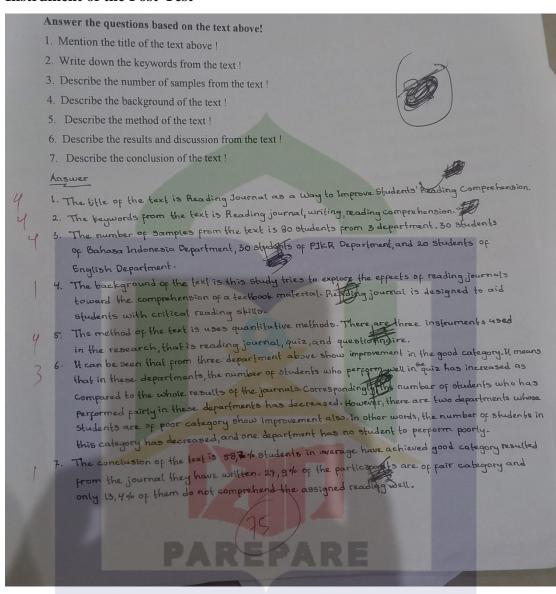
## **Instrument of the Treatment**



#### **Instrument of the Pre-Test**



#### **Instrument of the Post-Test**



## **Distribution of T-Table**

0.000

0%

0.674

50%

0.842

60%

1.036

70%

1.282

1.645

80% 90% 95 Confidence Level

1.960

95%

2.326

98%

2.576

99%

3.090

99.8% 99.9%

3.291

cum. prob	1.50	1.78	f .80	1.85	t .90	t .96	t 975	t.99	f 995	1.999	1.9995
one-tail	0.50	0.25	0.20	0.15	0.10	0.05	0.025	0.01	0.005	0.001	0.0005
two-tails	1.00	0.50	0.40	0.30	0.20	0.10	0.05	0.02	0.01	0.002	0.001
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1	0.000	1.000	1.376	1.963	3.078	6.314	12.71	31.82	63.66	318.31	636.62
2	0.000	0.816	1.061	1.386	1.886	2.920	4.303	6.965	9.925	22.327	31.599
3	0.000	0.765	0.978	1.250	1.638	2.353	3.182	4.541	5.841	10.215	12.924
4	0.000	0.741	0.941	1.190	1.533	2.132	2.776	3.747	4.604	7.173	8.610
5	0.000	0.727	0.920	1.156	1.476	2.015	2.571	3.365	4.032	5.893	6.869
6	0.000	0.718	0.906	1.134	1.440	1.943	2.447	3.143	3.707	5.208	5.959
7	0.000	0.711	0.896	1.119	1.415	1.895	2.365	2.998	3.499	4.785	5.408
8	0.000	0.706	0.889	1.108	1.397	1.860	2.306	2.896	3.355	4.501	5.041
9	0.000	0.703	0.883	1.100	1.383	1.833	2.262	2.821	3.250	4.297	4.781
10	0.000	0.700	0.879	1.093	1.372	1.812	2.228	2.764	3.169	4.144	4.587
11	0.000	0.697	0.876	1.088	1.363	1.796	2.201	2.718	3.106	4.025	4.437
12	0.000	0.695	0.873	1.083	1.356	1.782	2.179	2.681	3.055	3.930	4.318
13	0.000	0.694	0.870	1.079	1.350	1.771	2.160	2.650	3.012	3.852	4.221
14	0.000	0.692	0.868	1.076	1.345	1.761	2.145	2.624	2.977	3.787	4.140
15	0.000	0.691	0.866	1.074	1.341	1.753	2.131	2.602	2.947	3.733	4.073
16	0.000	0.690	0.865	1.071	1.337	1.746	2.120	2.583	2.921	3.686	4.015
17	0.000	0.689	0.863	1.069	1.333	1.740	2.110	2.567	2.898	3.646	3.965
18	0.000	0.688	0.862	1.067	1.330	1.734	2.101	2.552	2.878	3.610	3.922
19	0.000	0.688	0.861	1.066	1.328	1.729	2.093	2.539	2.861	3.579	3.883
20	0.000	0.687	0.880	1.064	1.325	1.725	2.086	2.528	2.845	3.552	3.850
21	0.000	0.686	0.859	1.063	1.323	1.721	2.080	2.518	2.831	3.527	3.819
22	0.000	0.686	0.858	1.061	1.321	1.717	2.074	2.508	2.819	3.505	3.792
23	0.000	0.685	0.858	1.060	1.319	1.714	2.069	2.500	2.807	3.485	3.768
24	0.000	0.685	0.857	1.059	1.318	1.711	2.064	2.492	2.797	3.467	3.745
25	0.000	0.684	0.856	1.058	1.316	1.708	2.060	2.485	2.787	3.450	3.725
26	0.000	0.684	0.856	1.058	1.315	1.706	2.056	2.479	2.779	3.435	3.707
27	0.000	0.684	0.855	1.057	1.314	1.703	2.052	2.473	2.771	3.421	3.690
28	0.000	0.683	0.855	1.056	1.313	1.701	2.048	2.467	2.763	3.408	3.674
29	0.000	0.683	0.854	1.055	1.311	1.699	2.045	2.462	2.756	3.396	3.659
30	0.000	0.683	0.854	1.055	1.310	1.697	2.042	2.457	2.750	3.385	3.646
40	0.000	0.681	0.851	1.050	1.303	1.684	2.021	2.423	2.704	3.307	3.551
60	0.000	0.679	0.848	1.045	1.296	1.671	2.000	2.390	2.660	3.232	3.460
80	0.000	0.678	0.846	1.043	1.292	1.664	1.990	2.374	2.639	3.195	3.416
100	0.000	0.677	0.845	1.042	1.290	1.660	1.984	2.364	2.626	3.174	3.390
1000	0.000	0.675	0.842	1.037	1.282	1.646	1.962	2.330	2.581	3.098	3.300

# The Mean, Median and Mode Score

#### 1. Mean Score

a. Pre-test

$$x = \frac{\sum x}{N}$$
$$x = \frac{929}{19}$$
$$x = 48.8$$

b. Post-test

$$x = \frac{\sum x}{N}$$

$$x = \frac{1403}{19}$$

$$x = 73.8$$

## 2. Median Score

a. Pre-test

$$Md = Tb\left(\frac{\frac{1}{2}n - F}{f}\right)p$$

Md = 46

b. Post-test

$$Md = Tb \left(\frac{\frac{1}{2}n - F}{f}\right) p$$

$$Md = 75$$

## 3. Mode Score

a. Pre-test

$$Mo = Tb\left(\frac{b_1}{b_1 + b_2}\right)p$$

$$Mo = 46$$

b. Post-test

$$Mo = Tb\left(\frac{b_1}{b_1 + b_2}\right)p$$

$$Mo = 67$$



### **Research Recommendation From IAIN Parepare**



## **Research Permit Recommendation**

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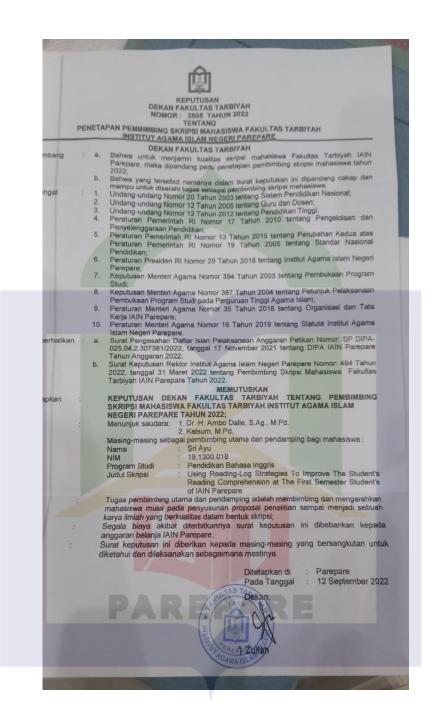
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# **Documentation**







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