CHAPTER I

INTRODUCTION

This part describes the background of the study, research problems, research purpose, significance of study, scope and limitation of the study, and definiton of key terms.

1.1 Background of Study

Communication is an important thing in human’s life. Everytime and everywhere people do it toget their needs. They use language as the main tool in this process of communication. Accordingly O’Grady and friends (1996: 1), language is many things – a system of communication, a medium for thought, a vehicle for literary expression, a social institution, a matter for political controversy, a catalyst for nation building. Although there are a lot of languages in the world, they have the same main use, that is to express ideas in the main of human being so that they can reach their wants.

Language itself consists of some parts, such as morphemes, words, sentences, etc. Each part has its own function and rule. In this research, the writer limits on the words analyses as a part of language. Word as a part of language has important rule in forming a language. People always use it to build a sentence, but they don’t know where do actually those millions words come from. People as the user of language
sometimes don’t think about how a language is formed. There are millions words now used by people. Everytime people get more and more new words unless they know the way it happens. In this research, the writer tries to find the mechanisms or processes of word formation and finally can be used in human’s life. Besides, word form has deep relation with meaning. The meaning of the new word form is influenced by the process of forming a word. This process is usually called word formation process.

Slang allows a person to become creative in the use of language. Some people use slang in order to communicate with each other informally. Similarly, people using slang are able to identify other members of their subculture easily. One of the reasons slang is around is that people believe that by using slang they will be able to set themselves apart from others and be unique. So, the researcher choose this topic because the researcher excited with the type of word formation process on slang words and the meaning of slang words used in BlacBerry Messenger.

Trinugraheni Kristyani Putri (2006) her research is entitled “Analisis proses pembentukan slang padalagu 50cent dalam album Get Rich or Die Trying”. In her research she tried to classify and describe slang words appear in 50cent song in album of “Get Rich or Die Trying”. It is a kind of descriptive qualitative research. She used eight kinds of word formation process from Fromkin and Rodman (1998:82), Katamba (1993:47-54), Yule (1985:52-55), O’Grady and Guzman (1996:143-163), Quirck, Greenbaum, Leech and Syartvik (1985:1567-1583). After analizing the data,
she found that coinage is the mostly occurs in the data. Coinage as a process when a new word is needed but there are noappropriate borrowed word and native word to express it. Other processes that appear are compounding, clipping, conversion, blending, abbreviation and derivation. There are totally 96 slang terms appear in the data.

Christina Helen Wydiasari (2011) her study is entitle “Word formation analysis on slang words in the Indonesia Teenager’s novel”. It is a case study of Indonesian slang words used in Lupus novels, the edition of 2000 to 2003. In her reserach, she used SimakBebasLibatCakap (SLBC) technique by Arikunto in collecting the data and Agih method by Sudaryanto in analyzing the data. While as the main theory, she took ten categories of word formation processes by Hatch and Brown (1995), Francis Katamba (1993), and O’Grady (1996) to categorized the data. From her research she found that there are eight strategies of word formation process, which are undergone by Indonesian slang words used in Lupus novels. They are borrowing, coinage, compounding, initialization and acronym, blending, clipping, inflection, and derivation. Based on the findings, there are 125 slang words that are used in Lupus novels, the edition of 2000 to 2003. She found that the process of borrowing is the most common process that is used. It is easy to see this in the mutation of Indonesian words borrowed by other languages. It takes 76% of total slang words or 95 from 125 slang words. This study just focus on borrowing process, because it can show that the word has combined with the other language. So, the reader of this study will know more about slang words with borrowing process.
Verawati BR Sitio (2011) her research is entitled “The word formation process and domain analysis of slang in Anak Kos DodolKumatLagi”. Besides finding out kinds of word formation and explaining the word formation process of slang, the writer also describes the domain factors of slang. In classifying and explaining the word formation process the writer used theory from O’Grady and Guzman, Hatch and Brown, and Kridalaksana. In describing the domain factors of slang, she used theory from Fishman (1970:20). In the result of this research the writer conclude that there are nine kinds of word formation occur in the data, they are borrowing, blending, compounding, clipping, abbreviation, backformation, coinage, onomatopoeia and derivation. From those kinds of word formation, borrowing becomes the most one found in this novel. In addition, in this research, by the domain analysis, the writer found two kinds of domain; they are friendship and family domain. In the analysis step, it also can be seen that three main factors namely participant, setting and topic take an important role of classifying the domain group.

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influenced by the process of forming a word. This process is usually called word formation process. In this research, the researcher tries to analyze word formation process of slang words used by teenager in BlackBerry Messenger.

1.2 Statement of the Problems

Based on the background of the research, the researcher tries to get the answer of the following question:

1. What are the types of word formation process on slang words used by teenager in BlackBerry Messenger?
2. What are the meaning of slang words used by teenager in BlackBerry Messenger?

1.3 The Objectives of the Study

1) To describe the types of word formation process on slang words used by teenager in BlackBerry Messenger.
2) To describe the meaning of slang words used by teenager in BlackBerry Messenger.

1.4 Significance of the study
Basically, the significance of this research is to increase the study about linguistics especially about slang which is include into non standart language. Also to understand types and meaning of slang language by teenager in BlackBerry Messaging. By knowing the theory of the slang, it will help the readers to increase knowledge particulary in understanding slang language by teenager in BlackBerry Messenger.

1.5 Scope Of The Study

In this research, the researcher focusses on slang words, especially in word formation processes by teenager in BlackBerry Messenger. Teenager themself about 16 until 18 years old in 10 Senior High School of Surabaya.

1.6 Definition of key term

Word-formation as a process of creating new words on the basis of already existing words, including the addition and subtraction of phonetic (or orthographic) material. word-formation simply as "the production of complex forms".

Slang is the social variation which is secretly and specific. It means, this variation is used by certain community and it has a limitation. So that way, the words of slang always change. Slang is temporal, it generally used by teenager.

Teenager or teen, is a young person whose age falls within the range from 13–19. They are called teenagers because their age number ends with "teen". In
the United States, teenagers from the ages 13-14 go to middle school while teenagers from the ages of 14-18 typically go to high school. In the United Kingdom (UK); teenagers and non-teens are mixed in secondary school. Teenagers attending secondary school (high school in the US) generally graduate at the age of 17 or 18.

**BlackBerry Messenger** is also known as BBM, is a proprietary internet based instant messenger and video telephony application included on BlackBerry devices that allows messaging and voice calls between BlackBerry, iOS, Windows Phone and Android user. It is developed by BlackBerry Limited (formely known as Research In Motion Limited (RIM)) and was first released in August 2005.