CHAPTER I

INTRODUCTION

This chapter presents the background of the study, statement of the problems, objectives of the study, the significance of the study, scope and limitations, and definition of key term.

1.1 Background of the Study

Language is one of the tools of communication. In social life, people always communicate each other by using language. There is a system to build human communication by using language. According to Holmes (1992:2) people use language to ask for and give information. It means their specific purpose is to give and receive information from other. It is impossible for people to communicate without language.

They have different ways in influencing people’s lives such as in behavior, attitude, or even in the way of using language in community of society they live in with by different of conditions: different occasion, different discussion, different relationship between the speaker and hearer. It is depend on the context itself. This research is related with sociolinguistics. According to Holmes (1992:2) “Sociolinguistics is concerned with the relationship between language and the context in which it is use”. It means that people as members of a society must manage and maintain a good social relationship with others. When they get interaction with society, they are supposed to reconcile the language as well. Therefore, interaction is possible
to take place in a society interaction. In this case, it may be brought by
different style of the language. Thus, it will also describe the different
occasion, discussion and relationship between the speaker and hearer.

As one type of language variety is style which refers to the choice of
certain linguistic forms that have the same meaning. It has an important role
in communication. In this case, a speaker uses different styles in order to do
not bother the situation of speaking and not to offend the hearer. Language
style refers to convey the same information using different expression. It is
related to different variations of language used in different situations and
needs. The participant has to apply the right style depends on the situation
and condition Trudgill (1974:103).Related to the explanation above, David
(1980:337) says, style refers to the relationship among the participant in a
language activity especially the level of formality they adopt. It means the
style of person indicates the characteristic when he gets speech activities with
others and each person will get differences of style. In reality each kinds of
style are used for different occasion and purpose.

Trudgill (1974: 124) says that individual style is unique combination
of language units, expressive means and stylistic devices peculiar to a given
writer which makes that writer’s works or even utterances easily
recognizable. It means that every human being has their own style in using
language. The style can show the writer or the speaker personality, identity
and also their characteristics. The language style expresses people’s feelings
through their language use, both orally and written form. To know how the
writers or speakers use their language style in conveying their thinking to the people is very interesting. In speaking, the speaker delivers his or her message in order to be heard and known what he or she wants directly.

Movie is a term that encompasses individual motion pictures, the field of movie as an art form and the motion picture industry. Movie is produced by recording images from the world with cameras or by creating images using animation technique or special effects Sulis (2008:3). Further, movies are cultural artifacts created by specific cultures. Movies reflect those cultures and in turn affect them. Movie makers are member of society. Every movie has unique style. It can show from the dialog of the character in the movie. Every character has the different of style when they speak, especially of the antagonist or protagonist.

This research focuses on the language style used by Romeo in “Romeo and Juliet”. Language style that is used by Romeo is influenced by some social factors. It also has a different status such as gender, age and social distance. This difference status has an important role in determining the type of style that used for communicating. Romeo uses his language style in order to differentiate to whom he want to speak which is appropriate with situation, function and of norm of social context. Romeo as one of the main characters uses many styles in the movie. Language style used by Romeo in the movie is produced in different styles reflecting some social contexts. The social contexts can be formal, casual, consultative, frozen, and intimate. The language style used by Romeo in “Romeo and Juliet” is phenomena social.
The movie in this program in this case is “Romeo and Juliet” can adjust her style to the topic and situation.

Based on the explanation above, the writer is interested in analyzing the language style. It is entitled: LANGUAGE STYLE USED BY ROMEO THE MAIN CHARACTER IN “ROMEO AND JULIET” MOVIE.

1.2 Statement of the Problems

1. What are types of language styles used by Romeo the main character in “Romeo and Juliet” Movie?

2. What are the social factors influence Romeo used language style in “Romeo and Juliet” Movie?

1.3 Objectives of the Study

1. To find out the type language styles are used by Romeo the main character in “Romeo and Juliet” Movie.

2. To identify the social factors that influence Romeo used language style “Romeo and Juliet” Movie.

1.4 The significance of the Study

The writer hopes that the research gives useful information about how the use of language style in the community. Furthermore, the writer hopes this study will be useful to the students who study linguistic especially at English department and make them understand the right application of each language style in the movie “Romeo and Juliet” as the research. In addition,
the writer hopes that this study gives some enlightenment to common reader and those who want to conduct research in the same field.

1.5 Scope and Limitations

The study focuses on language style. The study analyzes language style which is used in the movie “Romeo and Juliet”. The limitation is the study in language style used by Romeo in the movie “Romeo and Juliet”.

1.6 Definition of key Term

1. Style

Style refers to the way in which language is used in given context, by given person, for given purpose (Leech, 1981:10).

2. Language style

Language style is the choice among the other alternatives in using language (Ducrot and Todorov, 1993:44).

3. Speech act

Speech act is a central concept to pragmatics is that of the speech act (Saval. L, 1994:460).

4. Sociolinguistics

Sociolinguistics is concerned with the relationship between language and the context in which it is use Holmes (1992:2).

5. Romeo and Juliet Movie

This takes place in the city of Verona, Italy. There are two families who become enemies each other. They are Montague family and Capulet
family. Romeo is a man from Montague family who falls in love with Juliet from Capulet family. Rome and Juliet fall in love. However, they do not get any support from their family. In the end, they commit suicide. Romeo and Juliet tell about two households, both alike in dignity. Romeo and Juliet die because of dispute by their parents. No one can stop him to meet his love. Romeo knows about his wife’s death. With broken heart, Romeo goes to see Juliet for the last time. Beside Juliet’s body, he takes the toxin the he dies. However, Juliet is with an empty hope. She sees his husband’s dead body. She loses her reason to live then she takes a gun and shoots herself with it. Their deaths ate tragic as the consequence of love and the dispute can not be stopped by their true love.