

THE ANALYSIS OF RELATIVE CLAUSES FOUND ON THE CAPTIONS OF BBC NEWS INSTAGRAM ACCOUNT IN 2018 AND ITS APPLICATION IN TEACHING GRAMMAR

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Abstract

This study uses descriptive qualitative. The aims of this study are to identify the types of relative clauses found on the captions of BBC News instagram account and to describe the application of relative clauses found on the captions of BBC News instagram account for teaching grammar. The researchers use some steps to collect the data. Those are finding BBC News instagram account, reading the captions of BBC News instagram account, taking captures the captions of BBC News instagram account uploaded from 1st January 2018 to 31st March 2018, choosing the sentences that consist of relative clauses. While, in analyzing the data, the researcher uses some steps: identifying the data, classifying the data based on the types of relative clauses, calculating the data applying the findings in teaching grammar at the twelfth grade of Senior High School, and drawing conclusion and suggestion. The result of this study shows that there are 78 relative clauses found on the captions of BBC News instagram account uploaded from 1st January 2018 to 31st March 2018. The four types of relative clauses found are SS relative clauses, OS relative clauses, SO relative clauses, and OO relative clauses. OS relative clauses are the most dominant relative clauses found. There are 55 OS relative clauses (70, 5%), 19 SS relative clauses (24, 4%), 4 OO relative clauses (5, 1%), and no SO relative clauses (0 %). The relative clauses found in the analysis can be applied in teaching grammar at twelfth grade of Senior High School.

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INTRODUCTION

English is an international language which use to communicate all country all over the world. English is used in a meeting among countries, world organization such as OPEC, ASEAN, UN, and many others. Indonesia has taught EFL (English as foreign language) at every level of school from elementary until university. Indonesian students also have to learn components in English. Grammar is one of components that they have to learn. The largest unit of grammar is sentence. Sentence is combination words expressing a complete thought and ideas. Sentence can stand on its own. The most important unit in composing a sentence is clause. A clause may be an independent clause or dependent clause. In terms of dependent clause, the clause could be differentiated based on their grammatical as noun clause, adverbial clause, and relative clause.

Nowadays, social media become the part daily life. Many people use social media especially students in senior high school. The most popular social media in this era is instagram. Instagram is an application photos and video on smartphones that combine elements social to share photos and video. Instagram also consists of many features in it. One of features is caption. Caption is the description of the photos or videos in instagram.

The researcher attempts to analyze relative clauses in the captions of BBC News in 2018. The researcher chooses captions of BBC News instagram account in 2018 to analyze because of some reasons. Firstly, it is because the researcher finds that there are many relative clauses on those captions. Secondly, instagram is sharing application photos becomes the most popular social media in this era, most all of people have account of instagram especially students in Senior High School and BBC News is one of popular news account. Thirdly, the researcher finds that there is material about relative clause in the English syllabus

of Senior High School grade twelfth exactly in supplementary subjects. Fourthly, the researcher wants to learn and understand about relative clause not only the formula but also the application on teaching.

Relative Clauses

Cowan (2008:420) states that relative clauses are one kind of dependent clause. They are introduced by a special set of pronouns, the *relative pronouns* – *that, which, who, whom, and whose*. According to Epoge (2015:85-86), there are 4 types of relative clauses, they are subject-subject (SS) type relative clause, subject-object (SO) type relative clause, object-subject (OS) type relative clause, and object-object (OO) type relative clause.

Instagram

According to Hermann in *The Ultimate Beginner's Guide to Instagram*(2014), instagram is a photo and video sharing social media site. It was designed for mobile use with the intention that users would take photos on their mobile devices then upload the images instantly through the instagram app.

According to Hermann in *The Ultimate Beginner's Guide to Instagram* (2014), captions describes the purpose of the post or the key message to convey. Captions can be serious, humorous, inspirational, simple, long, or short. They should reflect you as much as the images. They are tied to the post image and no matter how many subsequent comments arise your original caption will remain in view.

Teaching Grammar

Teaching is a complex of activities, strategies, mechanisms, invitations, stimuli and rhetorical ploys designed to help students learn and to become better learners. (Chamber, 2006:40). Cowan (2008:34-35) states that there are three approaches in teaching grammar: Communicative Language Teaching (CLT), Grammar in Context, and Task-Based Language Teaching (TBLT).

METHOD

Creswell (2012:20) states that research designs are the specific procedures involved in the research process: data collection, data analysis, and report writing. The researcher uses qualitative research design. The data source is the captions of BBC News instagram account uploaded from 1st January 2018 to 31st March 2018. The unit of analysis of this research is sentences containing of relative clauses on the captions of BBC News instagram account uploaded from 1st January 2018 to 31st March 2018. The key instrument is the researcher itself. These following steps are used by the researcher to collect the data: finding BBC News instagram account, reading the captions of BBC news instagram account carefully and seriously, taking captures the captions of BBC News instagram account uploaded from 1st January 2018 to 31st March 2018, and choosing the sentences that consist of relative clauses. To analyze the data, the researcher uses these following steps: identifying the data, classifying the data based on the types of relative clauses, calculating the data, applying the findings in teaching grammar at the twelfth grade of Senior High School, drawing conclusion and suggestion.

RESULT AND DISCUSSION

Finding

The researcher finds that there are four types of relative clauses found on the captions of BBC News instagram account from 1st January 2018 to 31st March 2018. The four types of relative clauses found are SS relative clauses, OS relative clauses, SO relative clauses, and OO relative clauses. OS relative clauses are the most dominant relative clauses

found. There are 55 OS relative clauses (70.5%), 19 SS relative clauses (24.4%), 4 OO relative clauses (5.1%), and no SO relative clauses (0 %).

Discussion

1. SS relative clauses

Andrew Pollack- whose daughter Meadow died in Parkland - told the president he 'was pissed' about what had happened because he will never see her again.

On the caption above (line 4), there are four clauses: one independent clause and three dependent clauses. The independent clause or main clause of that sentence is *Andrew Pollack told the president he 'was pissed'*. While, the first dependent clause which is a relative clause is *whose daughter Meadow died in Parkland*. Then, the second dependent clause that is a noun clause is *what had happened*. It functions as the object of preposition *about* of the main clause. Finally, the third dependent clause which is an adverbial clause introduced by a subordinate conjunction *because* is *because he will never see her again*.

The relative pronoun *whose* introduces the relative clause to modify the antecedent. In that example, the antecedent of the relative clause is the NP *Andrew Pollack*. In the main clause, it is the subject of the verb *told*. Moreover, the relative pronoun *whose* which is the substitution of the NP *Andrew Pollack* is also the subject of the verb *died* of the relative clause. Therefore, the researcher may be state that this type of relative clause is SS relative clause.

2. Object- Subject (OS) Relative Clauses

The Japanese have a long-held tradition of enjoying the blossoms which are deeply symbolic.

There are two clauses on this caption (line 2): one independent clause and one dependent clause which is a relative clause. The main clause of the sentence is *The Japanese have a long-held tradition of enjoying the blossoms*. Then, the relative clause is *which are deeply symbolic*.

In this case, the relative pronoun *which* introduces the relative clause to modify the antecedent. On the example above, the antecedent of the relative clause is the NP *a long-held tradition of enjoying the blossoms*. It functions as the object of the verb *have* of the main clause. While in the relative clause, it is substituted by the relative pronoun *which* that functions as the subject of the verb *are*. Then, the researcher may state that this type is called OS relative clauses.

3. Object- Object (OO) Relative Clauses

She says insects inspire her because "they have the greatest colour combinations" and she gets to showcase something that most people find "really creepy".

Based on the caption above (line 3), there are four clauses. They are two independent clauses and two dependent clauses which are an adverbial clause and a relative clause. The first independent clause is *She says insects inspire her*. Then, the second independent clause which is the main clause of that sentence is *she gets to showcase something*. While, the relative clause of the sentence is *that most people find "really creepy"*.

In that example, the NP *something* is the antecedent of the relative clause. It functions as the object of the verb *gets to showcase* of the main clause. Furthermore, in the relative clause, it is substituted by the relative pronoun *that*. It is the object of the relative clause. Therefore, the researcher may state that this type of relative clause is called OO relative clauses.

CONCLUSION

The researchers would like to make conclusion in which the findings of the research is summarized according to the research problem clearly. Having conducted the analysis of

relative clauses found on the captions of BBC News instagram account uploaded from 1st January 2018 to 31st March 2018.

1. The researchers find that there are 78 relative clauses on the captions of BBC News instagram account uploaded from 1st January 2018 to 31st March 2018. There are 55 object-subject relative clauses (70.5%), 19 subject-subject relative clauses (24.4%), 4 object-object relative clauses (5.1%), and no subject-object relative clauses (0%).
2. The relative clauses found on the captions of BBC News instagram account uploaded from 1st January 2018 to 31st March 2018 can be applied in teaching grammar. Teachers can use the examples of relative clauses found on the captions. It is applicable for developing grammar for the twelfth grade students of Senior High School.

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