

# CHAPTER I

## INTRODUCTION

### Background of the Study

Newspaper is one of written media. It gives us the information in our daily life. By reading newspaper, we as the readers can know the events which happen in our daily life. *The Jakarta Post* is one of newspaper which uses English language. As the students especially in English Department, reading *The Jakarta Post* is very important for us. By reading it, we can increase our vocabulary of English. We can also know more about the structure and grammar used in *The Jakarta Post* newspaper. There are some new words which can be found in *The Jakarta Post* newspaper. For example we can find the word “chairman”. That word is formed from “chair” and “man”. It is called compound word. The word “chair” means a movable seat with a back and sometimes with arms, for one person to sit on. The word “man” means an adult male human being. Then, those words, chair and man will create a new meaning if they are joined. The word chairman means a person in charge of a meeting. It includes to compound noun. Compound word is a lexeme that consists of more than stem. Compounding or composition is the word formation that creates compound lexemes (the other word formation process being derivation). In linguistics, a compound is a lexeme (less precisely, a word) that consists of more than one stem. Compounding or composition is the word formation that creates compound

lexemes (the other word-formation process being derivation). Compounding or Word-compounding refers to the faculty and device of language to form new words by combining or putting together old words. In other words, compound, compounding or word-compounding occurs when a person attaches two or more words together to make them one word. The meanings of the words interrelate in such a way that a new meaning comes out which is very different from the meanings of the words in isolation. Colloquial or everyday examples of compounds are *fireman* and *hardware*. Words are put together to form an adjectival compound. New word formations are continually being created (Kortman, Bernd: *English Linguistics: Essentials*, Cornelsen, Berlin 2005). We can not know the correct meaning if we do not understand before about the compound word and how it is formed. From that problem, the writer wants to analyze the forms of compound word used in *The Jakarta post* newspaper. The purpose of her study is to develop the knowledge about compound word. The writer chooses *The Jakarta Post* Newspaper because it has some compound words which can be found.

### **Review of Previous Study**

The study of morphology has ever been conducted by Trimastuti (UMS, 2004) in *Morphological Analysis on the Word in the Windows Program*. The problem statements of her research were as follows: what the type of compounding in the windows XP program and what the meaning of word in windows XP program. She used documentation method in

analyzing. She analyzed the type of compounding in the windows XP program based on the theory of morphology, and the meaning of word in windows XP program.

The other researcher was Kurniawan (UMS, 2003) in *An Analysis of Compound Word used in Informatika Technology Facilities: Semantic Approach*. The problem statements in his research were as follows: what forms of compound words in the hand phone of Nokia and Microsoft XP and what the meaning of compound word in the hand phone of Nokia and Microsoft XP. He used documentation method in analyzing. He analyzed the compound word in the hand phone manual of Nokia and Microsoft XP. The objectives of the study were to describe the form of compound word used in the manual book of Microsoft XP and hand phone of Nokia and to explain the meaning of the compound word used in manual book of Microsoft XP and hand phone of Nokia.

Based on the previous study above the writer wants to analyze compound word in *The Jakarta Post* newspaper especially in national column. The objectives of her study are to analyze the form and meaning of compound word found in national column of *The Jakarta Post* newspaper in order to increase the knowledge about compound word. So, the writer chooses a title “A STUDY ON THE COMPOUND WORD IN NATIONAL COLUMN IN *THE JAKARTA POST* NEWSPAPER PUBLISHED DECEMBER 2010”.

### **Problem Statements**

Based on the background of the study above, the writer formulates the problems of the study as follows:

What are the forms of compound word in *National* column of *The Jakarta Post* Newspaper?

What are the meaning the compound word in *National* column in *The Jakarta Post* Newspaper?

### **Objectives of the Study**

Based on the problem statements mentioned above, the writer has the following objectives:

To describe the forms of compound word in *National* column of *The Jakarta Post* Newspaper.

To describe the meaning of the compound words in *National* column in *The Jakarta Post* Newspaper.

### **Limitation of the Study**

This research deals only with compound word that can be found in *National* column of *The Jakarta Post* Newspaper.

### **Benefits of the Study**

The writer hopes that the research of compound word used in National column in *The Jakarta Post* Newspaper is beneficial for the writer herself and the readers in general. The benefits of the study are:

#### Theoretical Benefits

The result of the research paper can be used to overcome on compound word theory especially the form and meaning of compound word.

#### Practical Benefits

To give information to the readers about the form of compound word.

To give information to the readers about the meaning of compound word.

## **Organization of the Research Paper**

The writer uses several steps of this research to make it easier to be understood. Those steps are:

Chapter I is introduction. It consists of background of the study, review and previous study, problem statements, objectives of the study, limitation of the study, benefits of the study, and organization of the research paper.

Chapter II elaborates of notion of word and compound word. It includes the definition of compound word and another element related to compound word.

Chapter III presents of type of research, the object of the research, type of data and data source, method of data collection, and technique of data analysis.

Chapter IV discusses of data analysis and discussion. Data analysis includes the data which are found in national column on *The Jakarta Post* Newspaper to be analyzed. Discussion includes the analysis of the data which have been collected from national column of *The Jakarta Post* Newspaper.

Chapter V draws of conclusion and suggestion. Conclusion is the result of analyzing the data, while suggestion is the writer's hope in the future about the research and researchers.