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**“Maka nikmat Tuhan manakah yang kamu dustakan?”
(QS: Ar Rahman: 22)**

**“The man who says he never has time is the laziest man”
(Lichtenberg)**

**"You can if you think you can."
(George Reeves)**

**If you have love you don't need to have anything else. If you
don't have it, it doesn't matter much what else you do
have.
(James M. Barrie)**

**“Keberhasilan adalah kemampuan untuk melewati dan
mengatasi dari satu kegagalan ke kegagalan berikutnya
tanpa kehilangan semangat.”**

(Winston Chuchill)

**“Senyum adalah lambang keharmonisan hidup”
(The Writer)**

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♥ TO MY INCREDIBLE MOTHER AND FATHER

WHO HAVE TAKEN CARE OF THE WRITER

♥ TO MY YOUNGER SISTER AND BROTHER

FOR THEIR SUPPORT

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ABSTRACT

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This research deals with prepositional phrase within noun phrase in the story *The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn* by Mark Twain. The aims of this research are to identify the function and to describe the structural ambiguities of prepositional phrase within noun phrase in the story.

The type of this research is descriptive qualitative. The data source of this research is the story by Mark Twain, *The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn*. The writer takes 279 data of prepositional phrase within noun phrase in sentences of *The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn* story. The method of collecting data is documentation and the steps are reading, selecting and collecting, and coding the data. The method of analyzing data is descriptive technique. The analysis of the data is by referring to the context of syntax by using x-bar theory then presenting phrase structure rules and phrase markers.

This study shows the functions and structural ambiguities of prepositional phrase within noun phrase in sentences used in the story. The functions of prepositional phrase within noun phrase are: (1) A, (2) C, (3) A+A, (4) C+C, (5) A+C, (6) C+A, (7) A+C+A, (8) C+C+A, (9) C+A+A, (10) A+A+C, (11) A+A+A, (12) C+A+A+A, (13) A+C+A+C. The structural ambiguities of the prepositional phrase are found within noun phrase constructions are: (1) A+A, (2) C+C, (3) A+C, (4) C+A, (5) A+C+A, (6) C+C+A, (7) C+A+A, (8) A+A+C, (9) A+A+A, (10) C+A+A+A, (11) A+C+A+C.

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ABBREVIATION

S	: Sentence
N ^{''}	: N-double-bar
N'	: N-bar
N	: Noun
P ^{''}	: P-double-bar
P'	: P-bar
P	: Preposition
PS	: Phrase Structure Rules
NP	: Noun Phrase
PP	: Prepositional Phrase
Adj	: Adjective
Adv	: Adverb
V	: Verb
Pn	: Pronoun
Gr	: Gerund
Det	: Determiner
D	: Data
C	: Complement
A	: Adjunct