

CHAPTER I

INTRODUCTION

A. Background of Study

There are many definitions of morphology. Morphology is the subdiscipline of linguistics that deals with such patterns (Booij, 2007:3). According to Lieber (2009: 1), morphology is the study of word formation, including the ways new words are coined in the languages of the world, and the way forms of words are varied depending on how they're used in sentences. Wardhaugh in Srijono (2010: 47) defined morphology as the study of morphemes and their combination in words. Lehmann in Srijono (2010: 47) stated that morphology is the study of morphemes, their variation, and their combination in words. Crystal in Srijono (2010: 47) proposed that morphology is the branch of grammar which studies the structure of words.

Compound word consists of addition of stems in which a word is formed by the combination of two independent words. The parts of compound can be free morpheme, derivative word, or another compound (Nida in Arifin, 2009: 1). Compounding is a process of combining of lexical categories (N, V, Adj, or Prep.) to create a larger word and the resultant meaning is new / different from its element (Srijono, 2010: 53). The examples as the following below:

1. Adj + N = *Blackboard*
2. N + N = *Watermelon*

Introduction to Psycholinguistics is a handbook for Psycholinguistics teaching learning activity in English Department. Automatically, this book uses English language. In English language, we recognize combination of two independent words that what we known as compound word. By reading this book, we can find a lot of compound words. For instance the word *warehouse*. The word *warehouse* is formed from the word *ware* (N) and the word *house* (N). The meaning of *warehouse* is large building for storing goods.

There are two reasons why the researcher is interested to study this handbook. First, *Introduction to Psycholinguistics* uses English language. This book facilitates us to find compound words. Second, there are many compound words found in this book. For examples, *bathroom*, *textbook*, *warehouse*, *etc.*

Based on the statements above the researcher is interested to analyze compound words in *Handbook of Psycholinguistics* Subject at 7th semester at Muhammadiyah University of Surakarta. By so doing, the researcher gives a title **A MORPHOLOGICAL STUDY ON ENGLISH COMPOUND WORDS FOUND IN HANDBOOK OF PSYCHOLINGUISTICS SUBJECT AT 7th SEMESTER AT MUHAMMADIYAH UNIVERSITY OF SURAKARTA.**

B. Previous Study

There are two previous studies that researcher uses to support this research. First, the study of compound words conducted by Ilham Nashrudin (UMS, 2012) entitled *A Morphological Study on English Compound Words Found in Sport News of The Jakarta Post*. The objectives of his research are as follows: describing how the English compound words form in sport news of the Jakarta Post newspaper are formed and identifying the kinds of compound words found in sport news of the Jakarta Post newspaper. He used documentation method to collect the data. He analyzed the data by using techniques as follows: describing the forms of English compound word by using the theory of word formation and identifying the kind of English compound word by using dictionary.

The second study of compound words was conducted by Kusuma Aprilia (UMS, 2011) entitled *A Study on The Compound Word in National Column in The Jakarta Post Newspaper Published December 2010*. The objectives of her research are as follows: to describe the forms of compound word in National column in the Jakarta Post newspaper and to describe the meaning of compound words in National column in the Jakarta Post newspaper. She used documentation method to collect the data. She analyzed the data used techniques as follows: classifying the data according to the forms of compound word and classifying the forms of compound word, the writer employs tree diagram of the compound word refers to the theory O'Grady and the meaning of compound words refers to the theory Palmer.

C. Problem Statement

There are two problem statements based on the background and previous study above:

1. What are the forms of compound words found in *Handbook of Psycholinguistics* Subject at 7th semester at Muhammadiyah University of Surakarta?
2. What are the meaning of compound words found in *Handbook of Psycholinguistics* Subject at 7th semester at Muhammadiyah University of Surakarta?

D. Objective of the Study

Based on the problem statements above, the writer has two objectives of this study :

1. To explain the forms of compound words found in *Handbook of Psycholinguistics* Subject at 7th semester at Muhammadiyah University of Surakarta.
2. To explain the meaning of compound words found in *Handbook of Psycholinguistics* Subject at 7th semester at Muhammadiyah University of Surakarta.

E. Limitation of The Study

The researcher focuses this study in analyzing English compound words found in *Handbook of Psycholinguistics* subject at 7th semester at Muhammadiyah University of Surakarta.

F. Benefit of the Study

The researcher hopes the result of the research of English compound words found in *Handbook of Psycholinguistics* Subject at 7th semester at Muhammadiyah University of Surakarta gives some benefits. The benefits are:

1. Theoretical

The result of this research can be useful for additional knowledge on the form and the meaning of compound words.

2. Practical

- a. For students, the writer wishes the result of this study can give more knowledges about the form and meaning of compound words.
- b. For lecturers, the writer expects the result of this research can be a reference in transferring knowledge to their students specifically about form and meaning of compound words.
- c. For other researchers, the writer hopes the result of this study can be meaningful for them especially whose topic is similar with this study.

G. Organization of the Research Paper

Chapter I is Introduction, which consists of background of the study, review and previous study, problem statement, objective of the study, limitation of the study, benefits of the study, organization of the research paper.

Chapter II deals with the underlying theory which presents the notion of morphology, morphemes, word, morphological processes, compound word and some element related to it.

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

Chapter IV deals with data analysis and discussion which data analysis consists of data of the research that found in *Handbook of Psycholinguistics* Subject at 7th Semester at Muhammadiyah University of Surakarta to be analyzed. Discussion consists of analysis of data of compound words that found in *Handbook of Psycholinguistics* Subject at 7th Semester at Muhammadiyah University of Surakarta.

Chapter V presents conclusion and suggestion.