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• Jangan menunggu bahagia untuk tersenyum, tetapi tersenyumlah agar engkau bahagia.

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### **CHAPTER 1**

## **INTRODUCTION**

### A. Background of the Study

Communication is a fundamental aspect of dependence among human beings. In a family scope people communicate with the mother tongue. In national scope people communicate with the national language. And in an international scope, people use an international language. One of these international languages is English. It is the first foreign language in Indonesia that functions as an important means in developing science, technology, art, culture, and education.

One of the functions of English as an international language is that English has an important role in all sectors, especially in education. In education English language is learned by the students to increase higher level in learning English. Teaching English in Indonesia is focused on the ability of the student's communication. The learners should be capable of mastering the four language skills, namely: listening, speaking, reading, and writing. The learners should have the abilities in reading and listening to support their speaking and writing. Studying English is not easy for many Indonesian students.

Teaching methods are needed in teaching-learning process, especially in teaching writing. According to Fauziati (2005: 5) method is treated at the level of design in which the roles of teachers, learners, and instructional materials are specified. As an important skill, writing occupies in most English language course. To write well, people must have good capabilities in writing. Some efforts

should be made to enhance the student's success. The teaching of English in senior high school should be supported by qualified teachers, the readiness of the students, and suitable teaching equipment. In fact, not all teaching is always supported by qualified teachers, not all students are ready to learn the materials, and not all schools have complete equipment or not appropriate with the materials, for example: in learning English especially in listening skill, sometimes not all schools have audiovisual room. Nowadays, several senior high of school English teachers might have qualification in the field. However, they might be fail to get successful result if the language teaching aids, the teaching techniques, and the knowledge of classroom management do not support them.

Based on these phenomena the teacher should have a good condition to motivate students in learning English. The learners must give attention to the lesson. They should get motivation to learn and understand the lesson. And the higher motivation of the students can make the teaching-learning process become more effective. Therefore, the writer wants to conduct a research on "THE TEACHER'S EFFORT TO IMPROVE STUDENT'S ABILITY IN WRITING AT THE SECOND YEAR OF SMA NEGERI 1 COLOMADU".

#### B. Research Problem

Based on the background of study, the research problems are focused on the followings:

1. What are the teacher's efforts to improve student's ability in writing at the second year of SMA N 1 Colomadu?

2. What are the results of the teacher's effort to improve student's ability in writing at the second year of SMA N 1 Colomadu?

## C. Limitation of the Study

In this research, the writer limits the study on the process of developing paragraph in teaching writing.

## D. Objective of the Study

Based on the research problem the writer has some objectives as follows:

- 1. The research is aimed at describing the implementation of the teacher's effort to improve student's ability in writing at the second year of SMA N 1 Colomadu
- 2. The research is aimed at describing the result of the teacher's effort to improve student's ability in writing at the second year of SMA N 1 Colomadu

## E. Benefit of the Study

There are two kinds of benefits of the study, namely practical benefit and theoretical benefit.

#### 1. Practical Benefit

The result of this research will be helpful both for students and teacher to reduce the problem in teaching and learning English especially in teaching writing.

#### 2. Theoretical Benefit

The result of this research can be used as the reference for those who want to conduct a research in English teaching learning process.

## F. Research Paper Organization

The writer organizes this paper into five chapters. Chapter 1 is introduction. It consists of background of the study, research problem, limitation of the study, objective of the study, benefit of the study, and research paper outline.

Chapter II presents a review of related literature. It is the basic theory that is closely related to the topic. It consists of previous study, notion of writing, the process of writing, paragraph in writing, the student's ability in writing, method of teaching writing, and the roles of teacher in teaching writing.

Chapter III discusses the research method. It consists of type of the research, subject of the research, object of the study, data and data source, method of collecting data, and technique for analyzing data.

Chapter IV discusses the result of the research. It consists of research finding and discussion.

Chapter V is the last chapter. It consists of conclusion and suggestion.