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ABSTRACT

Expression of Refusal is the opposite response from the recipient. This is a condition when the listener does not make the expected response, people generally use the word "no" for the speaker's statement. This study discusses the types of refusal and the function of refusal expressed by characters in the Never Have I Ever series. This study aims to identify the types and analyze the function of refusal. This research uses a descriptive qualitative approach. The data for this study were taken from the refusal utterances made by characters in the Never Have I Ever series. The data source for this research is transcripts from the series. Data collection using documentation techniques. Meanwhile, this data was analyzed using Beebe et al (1990) theory to analyze the type of refusal and Turnbull & Saxton (1997) theory to analyze the function of refusal. The results of the study show that the series characters use various types of refusal, namely the refusal of the request, refusal of offer, refusal of invitation, and refusal of suggestion, and found six refusal functions, namely to negate requests, to negate abilities, to negate statements, to indicate unwillingness, and to identify impeding events.

Keywords: Speech Act, Types of Refusal, Function of Refusal

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