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#### **ABSTRAK**

Kemahiran berbicara di depan umum sangat penting bagi siswa di pendidikan tinggi untuk mencapai kesuksesan di bidangnya masing-masing setelah lulus. Namun, banyak permasalahan yang muncul saat mereka berbicara di depan umum, terutama ketika mereka menyampaikan pidato dalam bahasa Inggris. Salah satu permasalahannya adalah siswa sering mengalami kecemasan ketika berbicara di depan umum. Tujuan dari penelitian ini adalah untuk memberikan gambaran komprehensif tentang pengalaman mahasiswa dalam menghadapi kecemasan berbicara di depan umum, mengidentifikasi faktor-faktor mendasar yang berkontribusi terhadap terjadinya kecemasan dalam berbicara di depan umum, dan menyajikan strategi efektif untuk mengatasi kecemasan tersebut, khususnya bagi mahasiswa semester satu hari Sabtu. Pertemuan Bahasa Inggris (SEGA). Analisis penelitian ini dilakukan dengan menggunakan pendekatan deskriptif kualitatif. Dan melibatkan sampel sebanyak 80 siswa yang mengikuti Saturday English Gathering (SEGA). Metode pengumpulan data yang digunakan meliputi observasi, angket, dan wawancara. Hasil penelitian ini menunjukkan bahwa banyak siswa yang mengalami kecemasan berbicara di depan umum karena berbagai faktor antara lain kurangnya kosa kata, topik yang asing, khawatir akan kelancaran, memiliki sedikit waktu untuk berpikir, kurang percaya diri, merasa cemas dalam memberikan informasi penting, merasakan kemampuan peserta lain dalam berbicara di depan umum lebih baik, takut diuji oleh tutor, khawatir diremehkan, dan merasa takut siswa lain akan menertawakannya. Selain itu, ada beberapa strategi dalam penelitian ini antara lain persiapan, latihan dan relaksasi. Penelitian ini diharapkan mampu memberikan kontribusi dalam pembelajaran public speaking sehingga lebih mampu menghilangkan rasa cemas.

Kata kunci: Public Speaking, Anxiety, Students' Strategy

#### **ABSTRACT**

Proficiency in public speaking is crucial and should be acquired by students in higher education to achieve success in their respective fields after graduation. However, when they speak in public, many problems arise, especially when they deliver speeches in English. One of the problems is that students often experience anxiety when speaking in public. This research aims to provide a comprehensive picture of students' experiences in dealing with public speaking anxiety, identify the underlying factors that contribute to this anxiety, and present effective strategies for overcoming this anxiety, particularly for first-semester students attending the Saturday English Meeting (SEGA). This research analysis was carried out using a qualitative descriptive approach. A sample of 80 students took part in the Saturday English Gathering (SEGA). Data collection methods used include observation, questionnaires and interviews. The study's results indicate that a significant number of students suffer from public speaking anxiety, which can be attributed to a variety of factors such as a lack of vocabulary, unfamiliar topics, concerns about fluency, limited time for thought, a lack of confidence, anxiety about presenting important information, perceptions of others' superior public speaking abilities, fear of tutor tests, concerns about being underestimated, and fear of ridicule from their peers. Apart from that, there are several strategies in this research, including preparation, practice and relaxation. It is hoped that this research will contribute to public speaking learning so that it is better able to eliminate anxiety.

Key words: Public Speaking, Anxiety, Students' Strategy

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