

CHAPTER I

INTRODUCTION

1. Background

English is an international language. It is very important for people to learn and to understand English in order that they can communicate with others. Talking about language, according to Torres (2014) English is the world's second largest native language and it is the actual universal language. English is one of the most significant languages used for connecting every country through the world because many countries use it as ESL (English as Second Language). There are four skills of English, they are : speaking, listening, reading, and writing. Greenbaum (1996:18) explains that those skills will not be perfect in use if there is no grammar, because grammar is the rules in a language for changing the form of words and joining them into sentences. Quirk (1985:37-47) states that grammar is a complex system and parts of which cannot be properly explained in abstraction from the whole. According to Surayin (2004:68), English grammar is the body of rules describing the properties of the English language. This is concerned with (and restricted to) morphology. Bauer (2003) states that in linguistics, morphology is the identification, analysis and description of the structure of the morphemes and other units of meaning in a language like words, part of speech and intonation / stress, and suffixes.

Suffix is one part of grammar. Jackson (2002:12) reveals that suffixes are numerous and usually change the word class of the item they are added to. A suffix is letter or group of letters added to the end of a word or root (i.e., a base form), serving to form a new word or functioning as an inflectional ending Rozakis (2010:9).

McArthur (1992:546) states that suffixes display all kinds of relationships between form, meaning, and function.

There are many suffixes in English and suffix also can change form and meaning of word. For instance, word “*short*” is adjective that means measuring a small distance, it can be changed into noun by adding *-ness* which will be “*shortness*” that means brief condition. The word “*short*” is also able to be adverb by adding *-ly* which will be “*shortly*” that means in a short time and it also can be verb by adding *-en* which will be “*shorten*” that means making or becoming shorter. It is in line with Cotter (2013:1) there are many suffixes in English, some of which are quite common and some of which are used less frequently. In some cases, the same suffix may have more than one meaning, too. If you learn suffixes, your ability to comprehend new words will greatly improve.

The writer gets the data about suffix from Don't Go Jonggi written by Saut Poltak Tambunan. This novel is interesting to read and also it will give knowledge to people.

Based on the explanation above, the writer is interested in “THE STUDY OF SUFFIXES IN THE NOVEL OF SAUT POLTAK TAMBUNAN ENTITLED DON'T GO JONGGI” as the title of this final report.

2. Problem

The problem of this final report is “what suffixes are found in don’t go jonggi by saut poltak tambunan ?”

3. Purpose :

The purpose of this final report is to know what suffixes are found in Don’t Go Jonggi by Saut Poltak Tambunan

4. Benefit :

It gives knowledge the students of State Polytechnic of Sriwijaya, especially student of English Department about the suffix.