

## CHAPTER I

### INTRODUCTION

#### 1.1. Background

English is the universal language, so the people who use it must know and understand how to arrange the words that will be said or written in a sentence. Coghill and Magendanz in Kusumayanti (2014: 1) say that the grammar of language is the set of rules that governs its structure. Grammar determines how words are arranged for meaningful units. Structure or grammar is one of language aspects which plays a very important role in learning language. It is the main component particularly used in building sentences.

Some rules in grammar are extremely complex, such as preposition. It is one of the materials learned in grammar. It is frequently used in daily activities especially in writing. Brown (2004) states that a preposition is a word used to express some relation of different things or thoughts to each other, and is generally placed before a noun or a pronoun. Furthermore, Greenbaum (1996) says that prepositions function as the first constituent of prepositional phrases and are typically followed by noun phrases as their complements. They may be simple (consisting of one word, e.g. of, to) or complex (e.g. according to, as well as). It is in line with Surayin (1999). She says that preposition is not really essential, yet it has its own function. The learners should give great attention in some important elements, such as the function of preposition itself. The following example will show the differences in using preposition:

- a. That beautiful poem is written by Chairil Anwar. It means that beautiful poem is written from Chairil anwar
- b. That beautiful poem is written to Chairil Anwar. It means that beautiful poem is written for Chairil Anwar

The prepositions used at the examples mean that the use of prepositions varies, so the meaning is different, too. A medium is needed to learn a preposition.. One of them is analysing a storybook.

As cited by English First course (2017), story book can be used as a supporting medium to learn English, because studying is not always rigid and boring. The benefit from using the story book itself is, there are kinds of English story book provided for all the age group and all the interest. The picture storybook is a ready-to-read storybook which is completed with a picture. Thus, picture storybooks has the characteristics of a storybook, which has elements of the story (figures, plots, grooves). The picture storybook is a story with pictures that are served as decorators and story supporters which can help the process of understanding to the contents of the book. The students are expected to easily receive information and description of the story to be conveyed through picture storybooks

The writer is interested in analysing preposition in Sugeng Hariyanto storybook as the object of the research. This story book consists of 28 short stories about the story of Nasreddin's experience which is packaged with pictures and humors. The usage of preposition also occurs frequently and is very important in this book. Therefore, the writer wants to know the prepositions used in Sugeng Hariyanto storybook. Based on the description above, the writer is interested in writing "The Analysis of Prepositions Found in Sugeng Hariyanto Storybook" as the title of final report.

### **1.2. Problem Identification**

The writer identifies the problem from the background stated above which concerns the prepositions found in Sugeng Hariyanto storybook

### **1.3. Problem Limitation**

Based on the problem identification above, the writer limits the data observed in this report is only a "Sugeng Hariyanto story book revised edition"

#### **1.4. Problem Formulation**

From the background above, the problem is formulated as follows:

What are the prepositions, kinds of prepositions and categories of preposition found in Sugeng Hariyanto storybook?

#### **1.5. Purpose**

The purposes of this research are to identify clearly the prepositions found in the Sugeng Hariyanto Storybook

#### **1.6. Benefit**

The benefit of this research is to give the knowledge and information to English Department students about the use of different kinds of prepositions found in the Sugeng Hariyanto Storybook