

ABSTRACT

TASRUM ALIMUS, 2017. Improving the Students Reading Comprehension through Bio Poem (Pre-Experimental Research at the Second Grade of SMA Negeri 8 Takalar in Academic year 2017/2018). A Thesis of English Department Faculty of Teacher Training and Education University of Muhammadiyah Makassar. Supervised by Ummi Khaerati Syam and Nunung Anugerawati.

This research aimed at finding out the effect of Bio Poem in Reading Comprehension at the second grade students' of SMA Negeri 8 Takalar that focused on main idea and specific information in reading Bio Poem.

The method of this research was a pre-experimental design that consisted of one group pre-test and post-test design class. The sample of this research was the second grade students' with total number of subject were 120 students'. The instrument of data collection for this research were pre-test and post-test.

The research findings indicated that second grade students' of SMA Negeri 8 Takalar were very low reading comprehension before the treatment, but after treatment, their reading comprehension improved significantly. It was proven by the result of mean score obtained by the students' through pre-test was 6.1 which was classified as fair category and the mean score of the students' in post-test was 7.4 which was classified as fairly good category. It was indicated that the Null Hypotesis (H0) was rejected and the Alternative Hypotesis (H1) was accepted. It could be concluded that implementation Bio Poem is effective to improve the students' reading comprehension.

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