

## ABSTRACT

Sri Rahmadhani Askari 2021. *The Competence of Students Critical Reading Comprehension (A Descriptive Quantitative Study at SMAN 1 Jeneponto)*. Thesis of English Department the Faculty of Teacher Training and Education, Muhammadiyah University of Makassar. Thesis guided by Radiah Hamid and Andi Asri Jumiati.

This research aims to find out the students' competence in critical reading comprehension at Eleventh Grade of SMAN 1 Jeneponto in Academic Year 2021/2022.

The sample of this research used one class consist of 30 students and the sample was taking by using Sample random Sampling technique. The method of this study is Descriptive Quantitative. The instrument that use to collect the data was reading test about Indonesia Folklore.

Based on the findings, the researcher conclude that the students from Eleventh Grade of SMAN 1 Jeneponto had "very good" in their critical reading comprehension. The result can be proven by the students test result that showed magnificent score, they were got 89% from their average score in four critical reading competences. The Students got 84% at their identifying ability, 92,5% at their analyzing ability, 86,7% at their detecting, and their comparing ability 92,5%. Therefore, the conclusion of the research is the level of the students' competence on critical reading competence are very good in term of analyzing and comparing abilities.

*Key Words* : Students Competence, Critical Reading, Reading Comprehension.