

ABSTRACT

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This research aims to find out the types of formulaic expressions used by the students in classroom communication and the students' problems when using formulaic expressions in classroom communication. This research was descriptive qualitative research in a type of case study. The research participants were nine selected students from the sixth semester of English Education Department Universitas Muhammadiyah Makassar. The data were obtained by classroom observation and interview sections for students.

The research findings showed that the students used five types of formulaic expressions, they are collocations, lexical bundles, inserts, idioms, and binomial expressions. The most frequent types that students used are collocations and lexical bundles. However, there were several problems that were faced by the students when using formulaic expressions in the EFL classroom communication such as deviant construction, general underuse, grammatical disorder and inappropriate formulaic expressions. Moreover, there were many unnatural expressions in their communication therefore formulaic expressions have to get more attention for EFL students in the teaching and learning process.

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