ABSTRACT

Getris Purnama. 2017. The Comparison between Male and Female's Reading Comprehension at The Second Grade SMPN 41 Bulukumba (A Descriptive Research). Thesis in faculty teacher training and education Makassar Muhammadiyah University The supervisor by Ummi Khaerati Syam and Nunung Anugrawati.

This research aimed to find out whether there is or not comparison between male and female's reading comprehension students of the second grade of SMPN 41 Bulukumba. The researcher focused on is there any significant difference of reading comprehension between female and male students. This research was descriptive quantitative and employed comparative method. This compares male students and female students' reading comprehension ability. This study has one variable that is the ability of female and male students in reading comprehension. The population of this research consisted of second grade of students of SMPN 41 Bulukumba It used random sampling technique where the researcher took 30 students consisted 15 male students and 15 female students from 4 classes. The researcher used reading test as the instrument of the research. The researcher gave the reading test the numbers of tests are 30 items there are 20 items for multiple choices and 10 essay text.

The result of the data analysis indicated that there was significance difference between male and female students in reading comprehension where female students' score was higher than male students' score. The mean score of female students (eight point one) was greater than the mean score of male students (seven point four). Based on the findings and discussions of the research, the researcher concluded that there was a significant difference of reading comprehension between male and female students of the second grade of SMPN 41 Bulukumba and female students' reading comprehension ability was better than male students.

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