## **ABSTRACT**

Nurfajhri Indah Sari. 2018. Increasing Students' Speaking Skills by Intensifying English Language at Eight Grade of SMPN 24 Makassar (A Pre-Experimental research the Academic Year 2018/2019). Thesis of English Department. The Faculty of Teacher Training and Education, Muhammadiyah University of Makassar. Supervised by Nur Qalbi and Awaliah Azis.

This study aimed to determine the improvement of students' speaking skills by intensifying English in the classroom. Researcher applied pre-experimental method by used one group pre test and post-test design and speaking test to collected the data. The sample of this study was the VIII.1 class at SMPN 24 Makassar consisted of 36 students. Sampled was taken by using the comparative technique in order to analyze and compare the student's score before and after teach speaking. The result of the study showed that the students' speaking skills improved, in the average score of students was 42.55%. This mean that students have a positive response with a intensifying English in speaking skills. It was be concluded that the grade eight of SMPN 24 Makassar was improved.

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