ABSTRACT

HASNI HAMZAH, 2019. *Improving Students' Reading Comprehension Using Newspaper* (An-Experimental Study at The First Grade Students of MA Muhammadiyah palleko, Takalar Regency), under the thesis of English Education Department, the Faculty of Teacher Training and Education, Muhammadiyah University of Makassar (Guided by Bahrun and Ilmiah)

The objective of the research was intended to find out the students' reading comprehension improvement through the using of English Newspaper in teaching Reading Comprehension at First Grade years students of MA Muhammadiyah Palleko, Takalar Recency

The researcher used experimental design. That consisted pre-test and post-test to students of MA Muhammadiyah Palleko, Takalar, the subject in this research was of in 2017-2018 Academic year with 20 students in X class consisted of 10 female and 10 male as sample. The researcher was reading test consisted of 20 items of multiple choice tests.

The research findings indicated that the using of English newspaper in teaching reading comprehension at the first Grade Students of MA Muhammadiyah Palleko, Takalar Regency was proved. The means score of students of pre-test 53.0 classified as poor and score of post-test 81.0 that classified as good. The improvement of reading comprehension was 52.83%. The researcher found that the value of t-test (4.43) was greater than t-table (2093). Based on the fact, the researcher concluded that the use of newspaper can improve students' reading comprehension at the first grade students of MA Muhammadiyah Palleko.

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