

ABSTRACT

Adi Nugraha 10535571713. *IMPROVING THE STUDENTS' SPEAKING ABILITY THROUGH DIALOGUE* (A Pre Experimental Research Conducted at the tenth Year Students of SMKT Somba Opu Sungguminasa of the Academic Year 2017/2018). Under the thesis of English Education Departement the Faculty of Teachers Training and Education, University of Muhammadiyah Makassar (supervised by Arif Patturusi and Yasser Mallapiang).

The objectives of the research are to know the extent of the improvement of students' speaking ability through dialogue actives of the tenth year students of SMKT Somba Opu Sungguminasa of the academic year 2017/2018 and to identify the situation when dialogues are implement in the speaking class of the tenth year students of SMKT Somba Opu Sungguminasa of the academic year 2017/2018. The research was held in six meeting.

The method used in this research was pre experimental research. The research was conducted from March 19th to April 21st 2018 to the tenth year students of SMKT Somba Opu. The subject in the research was the students of X¹ consisted of 26 students 19 girls and 7 boys.

The result of the data analysis showed that there was significant difference between pretest and posttest. The research finding indicated that through dialogue was effective to improve the students speaking ability in terms fluency. It was proved by the students mean score of speaking fluency in pretest was 56.92 and posttest 69.23. it showed that the students speaking ability score was higher than pretest. The value of t-test from speaking fluency was 5.94 and it was greater than t-table 2.060 and the level of significant (p) = 0.05 and degree freedom (df) = $N-1$ ($26-1 = 25$). It was found that the result of t-test value was greater than t-table ($5.94 > 2.060$). It is said that null hypothesis (H_0) was rejected and the alternative hypothesis (H_1) was accepted. It was be concluded that there was significant difference between the students speaking ability before and after through dialogue in speaking process in improving the students speaking ability of SMKT Somba Opu Sungguminasa.

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