

ABSTRACT

Sri Wahyuni, 2017. *“AnAnalyzing of the Students’ Writing Competence in Predicting Information by Describing Picture” (A Descriptive Study at the Eight Grade of SMP Negeri 26 Makassar).* Under the thesis of English Department the Faculty of Teacher Training and Education, Makassar Muhammadiyah University (Supervised by MuhArfin M Salim and RatuYuliantiNatsir).

The objective of this research was to analyze the students’ competence in describing picture in the eighth grade students of SMPN 26 Makassar.

This subject of this research was the Eighth Grade students of SMPN 26 Makassar academic year 2017/2018. This research was conducted in the class VIII.6, the writer observed 25 students consisted of twenty five students; there were eighteen females and seven male. In this research used quantitative method in the form of descriptive analysis that include observation, collecting the students test, analyzing. For the collecting the data the researcher used instrument, the researcher ask to the students’ to do focus in making a sentences. The test contains three picture and students must described all the pictures. Most of the students had problems to write especially in descriptive essay. They were difficult to write in organizing ideas even though their teacher had explain the material to them. Therefore, the researcher conducted this research to analyze the students’ competence in describing picture.

The result of the research showed that the students’ competence in describing picture was moderate. It was indicated by the fact that most of the students got good category for all the component. The students are unable to transfer their ideas into written form well in composing the text. The mean score indicates that the students writing competence in grammar is very poor (60.8), for vocabulary is low (50.4) and for students content is very low (45.6). The components of writing is needed to be improving especially students should have must vocabulary.