PHONOLOGICAL PROCESS IN A TWO YEAR OLD JAVANESE
INDONESIAN CHILD’S PHONOLOGICAL ACQUISITION

A THESIS

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ABSTRACT

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This study is about phonological acquisition, specifically on phonological process in the word production made by a two year old Javanese Indonesian child. It is intended to find out the types of phonological process that occur in Javanese Indonesian word production.

The writer took the data from the recording of speech delivered by a Javanese Indonesian child aged two years old. To analyze the data, the writer uses Ingram’s phonological process theory. This study uses case study because the writer focuses on one particular case and involves only one participant as the subject of this study. In taking the data, the writer took naturalistic observation, specifically participative observation. Since this study is dealing with phonology, the writer used recording method; both a note and an electronic device in collecting the data. The subject’s words then are transcribed into phonetic transcription and are compared with the adult’s one. Through that comparison, the writer could interpret and analyze the data more clearly.

Based on the data analysis and interpretation, the writer found that not all of Ingram’s phonological processes occur in the subject’s word production. There are ten from twelve processes that occur in the subject’s word production. In addition, the writer also find five other phonological processes which do not reflect Ingram’s theory. The writer also found that at the end of his research, there are still several sounds which have not yet acquired by the subject.

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