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ABSTRACT

This study was conducted to analyze the situated meaning of Lincoln's speech on *Lincoln* movie. Situated meaning is the specific meaning a word or utterance takes on in specific context of use (Gee, 2011). The writer used qualitative method to conduct the research. The data were collected and transcribed from Lincoln movie. Later, the transcribed movie was analyzed by using Gee's seven building tasks to know what the 'things' tried to build through Lincoln's speech. Furthermore, the writer used Gee's situated meaning to know what the situated meaning of Lincoln's speech that the movie tried to enact. The results of the situated meaning conveyed by the movie were the characteristics of an ideal president, equality, and building nationalism. Moreover, Lincoln's speech conveyed all of Gee's seven building tasks sequenced from Significance to Sign Systems and Knowledge which explained how Lincoln's speech fitted that situated meaning. The writer found that the Significance building tool on the movie brought the idea of Lincoln's success to pass the 13th amendment to abolish slavery as the cure of the Civil War as an ideal president who performed the characteristics of an ideal president and build nationalism feeling to the people surround him. On Activities building tool, the movie showed that Lincoln's activity on telling stories was his attempt to spread out his ideology of equality to the people surround him. Later, Identities building tool portrayed Lincoln as an ideal president who could maintain different identities for different context. Next, Relationships building tool showed Lincoln as an ideal president who could sustain good relationship towards people surrounds him. Moreover, Politics building tool supported Lincoln on distributing the social goods of equality and building nationalism. Next, Connections building tool defined Lincoln as an ideal president for his ability on connecting two things and making them relevant. The last, Sign Systems and Knowledge building tool described Lincoln as an ideal president who masters the right choice of words. Based on the findings, the writer concludes that by the help of seven building tasks, the situated meaning of this movie could be easily interpreted.

Key words: Lincoln, movie, seven building tasks, situated meaning, speech.