ABSTRACT
Japanese mimesis and onomatopoeia (called *gitaigo* and *giongo*) are known with their vast number. *Gitaigo* is words which express in descriptive and symbolic terms the states or conditions of both animate and inanimate objects, and of change, phenomena, movement, growth etc. *Giongo* is words which imitate the sounds made by animate and inanimate object, such as a person’s laughter, an animal’s sound etc. *Gitaigo* and *giongo* are commonly use in manga (Japanese comic), newspapers, articles, informal register of speech and in daily conversations. For student who study Japanese, specifically Indonesian students, it become such a matter for them. Because Indonesian language has little number of mimesis and onomatopoeia. Moreover for manga lovers, it bring them to difficulty to understand the story. Therefore, the writer interested to write the meaning of *gitaigo* and *giongo* that express rapid actions and falling actions in the Inuyasha comic volume 1, with statement of problems as follow:

(1) what are kinds of *gitaigo* and *giongo* that express rapid actions and falling actions in the “Inuyasha volume 1”?
(2) what are the meaning of *gitaigo* and *giongo* that express rapid actions and falling actions in the “Inuyasha volume 1”?
(3) what are kinds of the phonestheme that most used in *gitaigo* and *giongo* that express rapid actions and falling actions in the “Inuyasha volume 1”?

This research used semantics (lexical meaning, cognitive meaning and phonestheme) as general background study and used descriptive qualitative as the method research. Data collecting process is done through classification based the types, and then data is analyzed with semantics theory. It can be concluded from the research that in the “Inuyasha comic volume 1” is 9 types of *gitaigo* and *giongo* that express rapid actions and 14 types of *gitaigo* and *giongo* that express falling actions. The meaning of *gitaigo* and *giongo* that express rapid actions are suddenly actions or movement, reflex actions, walk rapidly, sound of a strong wind, sound of a strong wind through small space, spin through the air at a high speed. The meaning that express falling actions are fall or drop, collapse, throw down, sound of light objects fall or drop, falling and scattering. In the “Inuyasha comic volume 1” the most phonestheme used is *kasane*’s category (repeatedly word).

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