

## CHAPTER III

### METHOD OF THE STUDY

This chapter contains the research method used to find the answers to all problems stated in chapter one. The research approach, population, techniques of data collection and techniques of data analysis are presented here. All those steps are elaborated below.

#### 3.1. Research Approach

This study is mainly focused on the Arabic plural form used in grammatical Arabic books. The writer used qualitative descriptive method since she emphasized the process in analyzing and explaining the data. This study analyzes the Arabic plural form in Arabic Grammar book (*An-Nahwu Al-Wadhi*) by using nahwu and sharaf processes theories.

#### 3.2. Corpus

The data of this study was taken from Arabic Grammar books. There are *An-Nahwu Al-Wadhi*, and *Ringkasan Singkat Kaidah-Kaidah Bahasa Arab*.

The writer used *An-Nahwu Al-Wadhi* book because these books are one of the best explanation about the plural form include the examples of each plural form and also based on Modern Standard Arabic (MSA) so she can understand easily. In *Ringkasan Singkat Kaidah-Kaidah Bahasa Arab*, the writer used in

Indonesian version because of the limitation in understanding Arabic language that also talk about Arabic plural form.

### **3.3. Techniques of Data Collection**

The most important step is the technique of collecting the data. The library research is considered to be a reliable method since many of its sources are accomplished through elaborate studies such as the complications made by the lecturers both Arabic and Indonesian, and so forth.

In the process of collecting the data, the writer carried out several steps. First, she's looking for the book that related the study about Arabic pluralisation. After that, she read and observed the type of plural form. The identification of plural form was based on the definition of the plural form itself; plural refers to the multiple words or more than two things. The third steps the writer categorizing the type of plural form with the examples. For the last step, the writer translates the singular and the plural into English.

The procedures in collecting data are:

1. Searching the book that related the study
2. Read and observed the type of plural form
3. Categorizing the type of plural form with the examples
4. Translate the singular into English

### 3.4. Techniques of Data Analysis

After collecting the data, the next step is to analyze of what have been gathered. The data will be analyzed by comparing one reference with another.

In analyzing the data, the writer used deductive method- thinking processes that begin from global to local reaching the conclusion. First the writer describes the definition of each type of plural form. Second, she gives the example for each type of plural form and differentiates the singular form by gender. She used *Al-Munjid* dictionary as references to classify the word in singular that can be pluralized. After that, she combined the singular to plural form and gets the conclusion of the plural form.

The procedures of data analysis are as follows:

1. Describe the definition of each type of plural form
2. Gives the examples
3. Combined the singular into plural
4. Get the conclusion