

## ABSTRACT

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In a language, the rapid development of creating new words, particularly slang words is taking an important part in informal communication. Many people, especially teenagers like using slang words in their informal talk because they find it more comfortable to speak in such a way. Moreover, all slang words go through the processes of word-formation, such as blending, clipping, coinage, derivation, multiple processes, etc. In *GADIS* teenage magazine articles, the writer notices that word-formation processes play a crucial role in forming slang words. Therefore, the writer is interested in investigating this magazine because it uses slang words that can be observed, particularly about the word-formation processes of slang words that occur in its articles. In her study, the writer wants to find out the slang words that are found in the articles of *GADIS* teenage magazine. She also wants to find out to what word-formation processes those slang words belong and which word formation process that occurs most frequently in the articles of *GADIS* teenage magazine. Here, the writer concluded that there are 60 slang words found in 29 articles of *GADIS* teenage magazine and 8 word-formation processes that form those slang words. In addition, the most frequent word-formation process that occurs in those articles is coinage with 23 slang words (38,3 %). Borrowing produces 3 slang words (5 %), blending forms 10 slang words (17 %), clipping creates 6 slang words (10 %), acronyms simply produce 2 slang word (3,3 %), derivation forms 6 slang words (10 %), semantic shift produces 4 slang words (6,7 %) and 6 slang words belong to the multiple processes (10 %).

Finally, the writer hopes that this thesis could be useful for the readers particularly the linguistics students in knowing about slang words and their word-formation processes.

**Key words:** slang, word-formation processes