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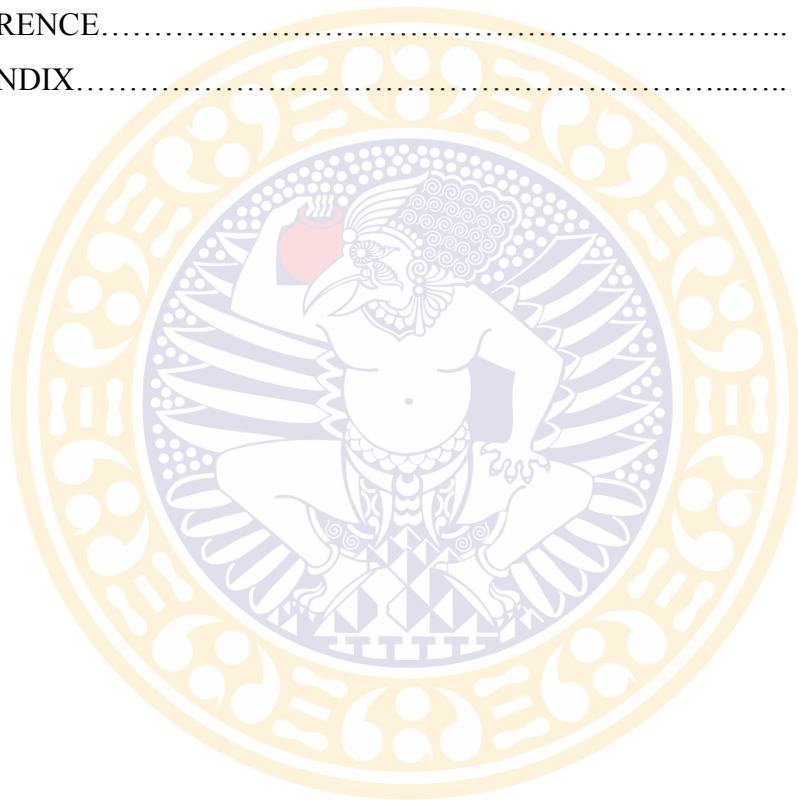
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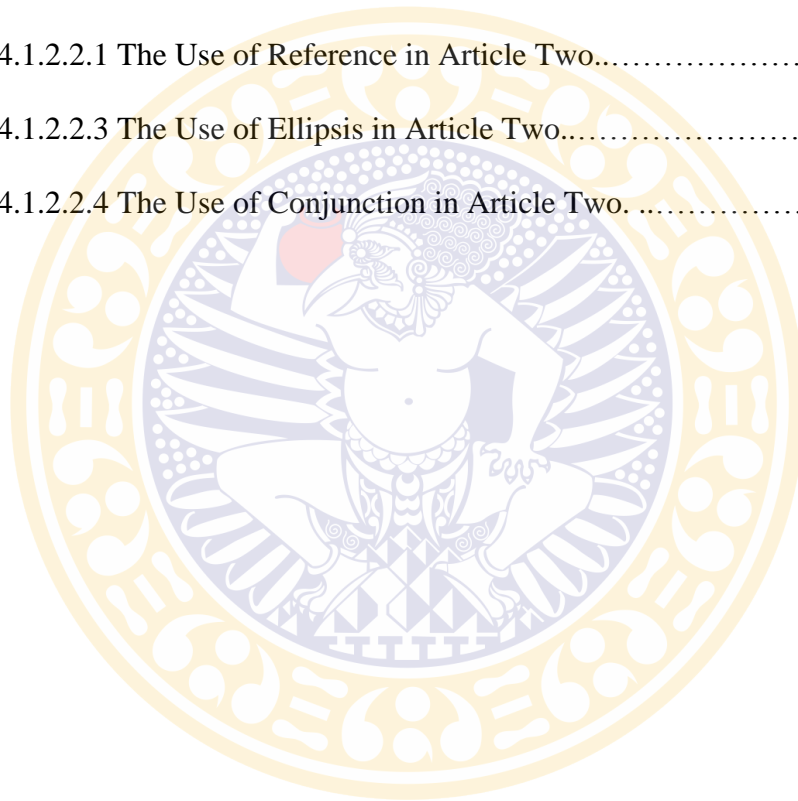
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**Grammatical Cohesion Devices Used in News Article About  
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**Abstract**

This is a study of discourse analysis of types of grammatical cohesion devices applied in online news article. Grammatical cohesion is the type of cohesive devices that focuses on the inter-relationship between text. The aim of this study is to discover the elements of grammatical cohesion devices found in the text and which elements of grammatical cohesion devices is frequently used in the online news article. This study also examines how media describe the object of the news by comparing two news article. The subject of this study is the news articles in *The Jakarta Post* online newspaper containing one positive news and one negative news about Joko Widodo. Grammatical cohesion is purposed by Halliday and Hassan (1976) which the main theoretical framework of this study. In conducting the study, the writer uses qualitative approach to gather the data. This study produces several main findings. First, all types of grammatical cohesion occur, which the order from the most to the reference. Second, personal reference used by news writer clearly refers to the object or main topic of the articles. Third, the news writer used demonstrative reference to make expressions and contextual information about the place of utterance. Fourth, comparative reverence used by the news writer to expresses the differences or the same thing. In both articles comparative reference almost used by news writer to cover when they write about negative news, then they give comparison with the positive news. It suggests the main topic may indicate the news writer want to describe that Joko Widodo as a good figure.

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