

Directive Language Function in “Before I Fall” movie script”.

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Abstract

This research was aimed to analyze the types of directive language function in Before I Fall Movie Script and describe the meanings of directive language function in Before I Fall movie script. This research designed by using qualitative research with descriptive qualitative approach. The data was obtained from movie script of Before I Fall. The data was collected by downloading Before I Fall movie script, finding the words, phrases or sentences which consist of directive language function, the analyze it which found out. In analyzing the data, the researcher used theory of Miles, Huberman, & Saldaria (2014:31-33). To examine the credibility of this study the researcher used triangulation such as data triangulation, investigator triangulation and theory triangulation. Based on the result, the researcher found three of the types of directive languages function, they are 25 commands, 19 requests, 11 suggestion. It can be concluded that the dominant directive used in “Before I Fall” movie script is commands are 25. Based on the conclusions, the research would give contribution for the college students especially at English Department, that script of Before I Fall movie can be used as a material college students to broaden and develop their knowledge about directive language function and three of the types directive language function in Before I Fall movie script. And also for the readers or for the next researcher, the researcher suggested this research can be used as a conception and reference in conducting research related to directive language function.

Key words: *Directive languages function; movie; script*

Abstrak

Penelitian ini bertujuan untuk menganalisis jenis-jenis fungsi bahasa direktif dalam Before I Fall Movie Script dan mendeskripsikan makna fungsi bahasa direktif dalam naskah film Before I Fall. Penelitian ini dirancang dengan menggunakan penelitian kualitatif dengan pendekatan deskriptif kualitatif. Data tersebut diperoleh dari naskah film Sebelum Saya Jatuh. Data dikumpulkan dengan mengunduh naskah film Before I Fall, menemukan kata, frasa atau kalimat yang terdiri dari fungsi bahasa direktif, analisis yang ditemukan. Dalam menganalisis data, peneliti menggunakan teori Miles, Huberman, & Saldaria (2014:31-33). Untuk mengkaji kredibilitas penelitian ini peneliti menggunakan triangulasi seperti triangulasi data, triangulasi peneliti dan triangulasi teori. Berdasarkan hasil penelitian, peneliti menemukan tiga jenis fungsi bahasa direktif, yaitu 25 perintah, 19 permintaan, 11 sugesti. Dapat disimpulkan bahwa arahan dominan yang digunakan dalam film “Sebelum Saya Jatuh”.

Kata kunci: *Fungsi bahasa direktif; film; naskah*

A. Introduction

English language as an international language, makes this language is very important to master. In linguistics, the language is classified

in form of language, meaning of language, and language contextually. In this case, the researcher thinks that to understand an expression or utterances of language, having a knowledge about

the meaning of the word and its grammatical relationship is not enough, students are also to be able to recognizing its relation to the context of its use and recognizing what speakers mean by their utterances.

Directive function is an attempt to make someone do something or prevent him from doing that in the future by starting some utterances.

Based on the background, focus, and sub-focuses of the research, the formulation of the problem is formulated:

1. What are the types of directive function of language used in "Before I Fall" movie script?
2. What are the realizations of directive utterances used in "Before I Fall" movie script?

And there is the objective of this study :

1. To find out the types of directive function of language used in "Before I Fall" movie script.
2. To describe the realization of directive utterances used in "Before I Fall" movie script.

Based on Kreidler (1998:190-191), directive acts have three types that can be recognized; command, request, and suggestion.

a. Command

Command is only effective if the speaker has a level of control over the recipient's action. Command is used in imperative form. Imperative often start with verbs. The term command can be divided into the speaker who command or the recipient of command has the responsibility and/or obligation to carry out the command. Command also in the form of the order,

instruction, obligate or force, and forbid. For instance, 'open the door'. This is imperative form and start with verb 'open' in the beginning on the sentence.

b. Request

Request is an expression of what the speaker wants the other person to aim for or do. Request does not take control of the speaker over the intended person. Request can be used by all age speakers. A request sentence always start with the modal verbs; can, could, may, might, shall, should, will, and would. Furthermore, a request often from in yes/no question. For instance, 'can you open the door for me, please?' this is a yes/no question and start with modal 'can' in the beginning on the sentence.

c. Suggestion

Suggestion is an utterance that we make to someone to give or opinions as to what they should or should not. Suggestion is used to give someone suggestion for probability. Suggestion is the form of a spoken expression with the aim of conveying advice or input to others, with the hope that the person is willing to do the advice or input. Most of the expression that usually use for giving suggestion; I think..., what about..., what if...,etc. for instance, "I think the correct answer is A"

B. Research Method

This research was conducted by using qualitative research. As

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Qualitative research is practiced in many disciplines, so a range of data collection method has been devised to cater for the varied requirements of the different subjects, such as qualitative interviewing, focus groups, participant, discourse and conversation analysis and analysis of texts and documents (Waliman, 2011:131)

In addition, Vanderstoep and Jhonston (2009: 165) state that qualitative research focuses on the meanings of experiences by exploring how people define, describe, and metaphorically make sense of these experiences. The object of this research is the conversation text (transcript) of Before I Fall Movie.

In collecting the data for this research, the writer will do the following procedures:

1. Researcher download the movie from <https://moviesanywhere.com>
2. Researcher download the movie transcription/script of the text from <https://www.scripts.com>
3. Researcher print out all the transcription of "Before I Fall" movie from whole the conversation in that movie
4. Researcher watch and matched the transcription for several times and comprehend the transcription that was analyzed

5. Researcher take notes and highlight the part of the transcription that consist of the directive language function
6. Researcher arranges the directives language function which founded based on the classification or types of directive language function in the table form.

After all the directive utterances were collected, the writer was use the theory of Miles, Huberman, & Saldaria (2014:31-33) to analyzed the data. There are 3 activities in analyzing qualitative data:

1. Data Condensation

Data condensation refers to the process of selecting, focusing, simplifying abstracting, and/or transforming the data that appear in the full corpus (body) of written-up fields, interview transcripts, documents and other empirical material. By considering, we are making data stronger.

In the data condensation, the researcher selected the data needed. Next, the researcher focused on the data that have been selected whether it contain the figure of speech or not. Then, the researcher's make the data simpler or easier to do and understandable by classifying each types the data which contains figure of speech. Finally, the researcher converts the data in a good form or structure. The purpose of this stage is to help the research in organizing and classifying in the data.

2. Data Display

The second major flow of analysis activity is data display. Generally, a display is an organized compressed assembly of information

that allows conclusion drawing and action. Looking at the display helped us to understand what was happening and to do something, either analyze further and takes action based on the understanding. Display the data in conducting the research will do some activities based on the data condensation process applied in the movie "Before I Fall" movie script. After get the data needed, researcher presented data in a table form to easier in drawing conclusion.

3. Drawing and Verifying Conclusion

The third stream of analysis activity is conclusion drawing and verification. From the start of the data collection, the qualitative analysis interprets what things mean by noting patterns, explanations, casual flows, and proposition. The conclusion will be start after the data collected by making temporary conclusion. In others, it can be said that the conclusion is analyze continuously and verified the validity to get the perfect conclusion. After analyzing all the worthy data from data condensation and data display, conclusion from the field notes are drawing and some suggestion are given.

C. Research Finding and Discussion

In this chapter, the result of research is represented and explained completely. The data represented in this part was derived from the analysis of types of directive language function and the realization of directive utterance used in "Before I Fall" movie script.

The data in this research were taken from the conversation of the actor and actress in "Before I Fall" movie script which consisted of phrases, clauses, and sentences. In addition, the data were focused on the expression uttered and documented on the script. Furthermore, the film "Before I Fall" is one of favorite film which is released in 2017. This film is referred to the life style of American Teen. (see figure 4.1)

Figure 4.1.
The film poster of "Before I Fall"



This research used qualitative research to analyze the data completely. Similarly, As Kothari (2004:3) state that Qualitative research is especially important in the behavioral sciences where the aim to discover the underlying motives of human behavior.

However, the process of data collection can be comprehended by following steps: firstly, the movie downloaded from the internet link: (<https://moviesanywhere.com>). At the same time, the movie transcript/ script could be downloaded from <https://www.scripts.com>. After that, the data script (soft copy) was needed to be printed out. In order to be easier in highlighting the part of the conversation which is indicated as directive language function, researcher

was intended to watch for several times the film. As result, the data can be gathered and arranged based on the classification or types of directive language function in the table form.

Thus, the data were selected from the script of the film "Before I Fall." In addition, researcher analysed these data in the scope of directive function language by referring to the Kreidler.

In analysing the scripts of Before I Fall movie, there are 55 data which were included as the directive function and those data have divide in three main categories: Command, Request, and Suggestion.

D. Closing

In this chapter, the researcher showed the conclusion and suggestion based on the analysis of directive function language which have found in script of "Before I Fall" movie.

Based on the research finding and discussion, it can be concluded that directive function is one of essential aspect of language function that influence or attempt causing the hearer or interlocutor to do something in communication. The purpose or the target of communication can be facilitated through directive function. Thus, in a good communication speaker and hearer should be comprehended the meaning of directive function which has expressed.

After analyzing the data, researcher found that there are three main categories of directive function which have been found in the script of "Before I Fall" movie based on theory of Kreidler. These types are command, request, and suggestion. In addition,

researcher found that the most dominant type of directive function was command with the total 25 data, and the type of request as the second with the total 19 data, and the least amount of the data is suggestion which consist of 11 data.

Lastly, the researcher wants to give some suggestion related to the object of the research which proposed for readers/viewers, teachers in general and next researchers with the same topic, which are explained below.

For the readers suggested to understand more about directive function and use it in appropriate expression, in particular, it can be implemented well in social-behavior. In specific, for the teachers were suggested to comprehend well the directive function. It is aimed to imply in classroom for identifying the meaning of directive function which has found in daily communication or in learning material, and for the students were suggested to learn more about the directive function because it can help people to comprehend the meaning of the utterance in daily conversation.

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