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ADDRESS SYSTEM OF GAYONESE LUT AND DERET IN BENER MERIAH

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ABSTRACT

This study deals with Address System in one ethnic namely Gayonese Lut and Deret in Bener Meriah. The objective of this study is to describe the functions of address system Gayonese Lut and Deret in Bener Meriah. This study applied qualitative descriptive method. The techniques for collecting data were through giving the questionnaire sheets to the twelve subjects and record the conversation of interview with subjects and also the informants by taking the video directly. The result of this study found that Gayonese Lut has five functions address system namely Attract people attention (5.71), Show intimacy (28.58), Show politeness (7.14), Show power differential (20.00), and Reflect identity (38.57). Gayonese Deret also has five functions of address system namely Attract people attention (10.00), Show intimacy (20.00), Show politeness (32.00), Show power differential (14.00), and Reflect identity (24.00). In Gayonese Lut, Reflect identity is the most function of address system while in Gayonese Deret is Show politeness.

Keywords: Address System, Gayonese, Lut, Deret.

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INTRODUCTION

Using a language in communication is related to the sociolinguistics where it discusses the language and its own in society; the interaction between linguistics and social variable. Nancy (2010) state that sociolinguistics is a developing subfield of linguistics which takes speech variation as its focus, viewing variation or it social context. Sociolinguistics is

concerned with the correlation between such social factors and linguistics variation. According to Nababan (1993) Sociolinguistics is a branch of language which studies or discusses the social aspects of language.

Every society has their own way in communicating and each language shows the social character of the speaker or address. It shows how close their relationship between one and others. Addresser should know the rule and pattern of one culture of the addresses before they begin to communicate each other. Kridalaksana (2008) explaines address term is a morpheme, word or phrase to refer to someone in social relations implying situational contexts based on the relation between speaker and the addressee.

According to Wardhaugh (2006) address system is the way of people to call or address other people. He argues there are various ways on how people address others such as by using title, first name, last name, etc. Based on Wardhaugh (2006) and Esma'li theory (2011), there are five functions in using address system namely Attract people attention (APA), Show Intimacy (SI), Show Politness (SP), Show Power Differential (SPD), and Reflect Identity (RI).

Many people have forgotten the values of their culture especially young generation in this era, it is because their culture have mixed with other cultures and make them difficult in using their original address system even though address system is really important used. Before someone do the communication with different culture, at least she/he know the rule and pattern such as in using address system, it is for politeness and respect its cultures or ethnics. In Gayo, there are fourth types or part of Gayo namely Gayo Lut, Gayo Deret or Gayo Lues, Gayo Alas, and Gayo Serbajadi and each of them has different address system. Most of people assume that all Gayonese use the same address system, in fact they have different address system.

METHODOLOGY

This research used descriptive qualitative research. The data of this research were the words and phrases consist of address system of Gayonese Lut and Gayo Deret. The words and phrases of address system obtained from questionnaire and interview directly and it had been transcribed in the written form. The sources of data were the 20 subjects of native speakers of Gayonese where 10 native speakers are Gayonese Lut and 10 more were Gayonese Deret. Theory of Gay, Mills, and Airasian used by researcher to take 10% subjects in this research then the subjects were taken from one sub regency in Bener Meriah namely Uring. In choosing the subjects, she used theory of Oblinger (2005) where the subjects are the

first generation, they were born in 1947-1980, they are from different occupation. For the addition, the researcher had done the interview with the two informants from Gayonese Lut and Deret who work in MAG (Majelis Adat Gayo) Bener Meriah. The techniques of collecting data for this study were; through giving the questionnaire and interview. Analyzing data for this research used using theory of Miles, Huberman, and Saldana (2014) namely Data condensation, Data display, and drawing/verifying conclusion.

FINDINGS AND DISCUSSIONS

After analyze the using types of address system in Gayonese Lut and Deret, in this section discuss about function of address system in Gayonese Lut and Deret. Wardhaugh and Esmae'li state that there are five functions of using address system, namely Attract People Attention (APA), Show Intimacy (SI), Show Politeness (SP), Show Power Differential (SPD), and Reflect Identity (RI). The functions of using Address system in Gayonese and Lut Deret can be seen in the table below.

Table 1. The Functions of Address System in Gayonese Lut and Deret

No.	Function of Address System	Gayonese Lut	Gayonese Deret
		Percentages (%)	
1	Reflect Identity (RI)	38.57	24.00
2	Show Intimacy (SI)	28.58	20.00
3	Show Power Differential (SPD)	20.00	14.00
4	Show Politeness (SP)	7.14	32.00
5	Attract People Attention (APA)	5.71	10.00
	Total	100	100

In Gayonese Lut, There were found five functions of address system and the most dominant function as Reflect Identity (38.57%) and the least is Attract People Attention (5.71%) while in Gayonese Deret, it also found five functions of address system, the most dominant function is Show Politeness (32%) and the least is Attract People Attention (10.00%).

Reflect Identity is the most dominant function of address system in Gayonese *Lut* because all type of address system used for someone identity, someone who has two syllable of name like Andi Ariga, Ariga as last name is used for address system, someone who has three syllable of name like Ratih Sipinte Miyen, Ratih as the first name is used as address system. Thus, they have their own identity based on address system that they use. While in Gayonese *Deret*, people really respect someone else especially he is older than addresser. Addresser cannot call the addressee who is older than him by name because it is impolite in Gayonese *Deret*, only using Title without followed their name.

As the following of Gayonese subject answer in questionnaire sheet number one related to the function of address system, as the subject

MN: "Apakah fungsi penggunaan dari tutur sapaan nama depan bagi masyarakat Gayo Lut?" (What is the function of using first name for Gayonese Lut?) She chose answer C "Sebagai identitas seseorang" (As Reflect Identity).

From the description above, reflect identity is the function that found more in Gayonese *Lut*. There is a statement from Gayonese informant subject that showing the function of address system as show politeness. The statement is below;

FZ: "Oya ne sebagai bentuk penghormatan kepada orang yang kita tuakan, kemudian orang yang dibawah kite, karena artie Tue kite hormati, si kucak kite sayangi" (That as respect for old member, then for younger because the philosophy is the older we respect, the younger we love).

Statement above is related to the showing politeness in using address syste, of kinship (K). It means that to respect the old family members and cherish the young where it is kind of politeness by repsect them.

CONCLUSIONS AND SUGGESTION

Based on the findings of data, there is a conclusion namely there are six functions of address systems both in Gayonese Lut and Deret, they are; Attract people attention, Show intimacy, Show politeness, Show power differential, Reflect identity. In Gayonese Lut, Reflect Identity is the most dominant reason because when all type of address system show their identity, they get their own identity by using address system while in Gayonese Deret, Show politeness is the most dominant function because there are some rules of using

common address system that cannot be used in Gayonese Deret because it is strange or impolite for them.

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