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ABSTRACT

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Keywords: vocabulary, vocabulary achievement, storytelling, young learners.

Vocabulary is the core component to learn language. In English, vocabulary is considered to be the most important thing that should be mastered. Without vocabulary, nothing can be conveyed. Since it is really important, it should be taught to the children since the very first grade of school.

Young age is the best age to give new knowledge and information. Children can memorize better than adult. However, teacher needs to be creative to teach young learners by giving various teaching technique. The purpose is to create fun atmosphere in the teaching an learning process in the classroom so that the students will enjoy the process. Moreover, giving young learners various techniques in teaching vocabulary can also improve their interest in learning language, consequently it will improve their achievements. One of the techniques that can be used is storytelling.

The purpose of this study is to find out whether is there any significant diffenrence between the vocabulary achievements of students grade four before and after they are taught vocabulary using storytelling. This is a pre-experimental study using pre-test and post-test. The subject were the students grade four in one of private elementary schools in Surabaya. The writer did the treatments four times with different storiesS on each meeting. After the treatments had been done, the writer analyzed and calculated the data using T-test.

The result showed that there is a significant differnce between the vocabulary achievements of the students before and after being taught vocabulary using storytelling. The mean of the gain score of the pre-test and post-test showed significant improvement, which were 54,46 and 86,87. For the to calculation, the finding of the calculation is 7,89. The finding is much higher than the t-table which is 2,048. The Ho is rejected and Ha is accepted. The result of the study is there is a significant difference between the vocabulary achievements of the students before and after they are taught vocabulary using storytelling.