CHAPTER IV
RESEARCH FINDING

This chapter presents data presentation and research finding of this research based on the result of observation and interview. It cover students strategies and contributive strategies to improve their speaking proficiency.

A. Data Presentation

In data presentation, the researcher present the data collected from the result doing observation and interview.

1. The strategies used by the students to improve their speaking proficiency at Islamic Boarding School of Mamba’us Sholihin 2 Blitar

In this session the researcher presented data found in the field related to the strategies employed by the students to improve their speaking proficiency at Islamic boarding school of Mamba’us Sholihin 2 Blitar. Based on the observation and interview that had done within four times by researcher. The researcher found data as follows.

There were nine subjects (S1, S2, S3, S4, S5, S6, S7, S8 and S9) who had been observed and interviewed. The researcher observed them when they were conducting speaking activity in Islamic boarding school. In conducting speaking ability every subjects had various strategies used to improve their speaking ability. In practice boarding the school also helped them in learning speaking because the boarding school required
that every students must speak English or Arabic depend on the set schedule the schedule of practice in speaking was usually done differently. Another roles taken by the school to support the students was asking the students to memorize five vocabularies after praying. The memorized vocabularies must be used in real context. Furthermore on Tuesday morning before they went to school, the boarding school also requires them to do conversation based the topic provided by their mentor. In was intended to practice their speaking and also up self confident when they were conducting speaking practice.

To be successful in mastering the materials provided and to improve their speaking the students needed to employ learning strategies. Furthermore to improve their speaking the students increased their vocabularies by finding the meaning of words, watching movie and listening to the music, making small notes, memorizing, and applying new vocabularies. S1 said:

“I am just looking in dictionary for some new words that I have not known yet then I wrote it in small note and memorize it. It means that he could understand to express his mind and feeling”

Moreover. S3 and S6 also tried to increase vocabulary by making notes and memorizing the words before going to sleep, and they kept on practicing and built their selfconfident.

Different with another subjects, S4 and S5 thought that speaking for communicate only. They were not afraid if they made mistake. They
enjoyed speaking English, eventhough, they did not have any special strategies to improve their speaking. S4 and S5 said:

“Basically, I am not afraid, and I enjoy speaking English. If I will do conversation with my friend, the most important thing is the meaning can be delivered. So my friend are able to understand about what I have spoken to them”.

Furthermore, concerning to this case, different strategies were used by S2, in improving their vocabulary and pronunciation for speaking, S7 and S8 used audio and media by listening music and watching movie. S8 said:

“I usually make note when I watching movie or listening music while I get every new vocabulary, then memorize it and imitating the pronunciation then bring it out in speaking. Those way help me to remember it”.

To apply new vocabularies which the subject have already known in daily activity was a good practice. He could understand when it was used. The subject believed that it was important to apply the new language without any worrying about how it must be used. By the time of learning speaking he would know when certain word or expressing should be used appropriately.

Related to strategy used in learning and memorizing vocabulary, all of the subjects memorized vocabularies before they went to sleep. This way was meaningful to help them to remember it. Another activity to keep memorizing of the vocabularies was all the subjects made small notes of vocabulary. They could open and use it any time. Different from other students, S9 prefered learning phrase than learning word individually. The next following days, the subjects added new vocabulary. It was done continuosly.
Related to this case, S9 said: “I learn vocabularies by using phrase not word, it means I tried to connected every word that I would memorize in one series”.

By learning step by step, they could increase their vocabularies as much as they could.

The subjects was explained about their strategy of learning grammar to improve their speaking. They had grammar books in from the formal school and grammar handbook to be learn and shared with other friends or mentor in the boarding school. They stated that by learning grammar, they were able to construct good sentences.

Related to the subjects effort to improve their grammar, concerning S4 said: “I have some handbooks of grammar, so I can share with the teacher or friends”. Meanwhile, another subjects said:

“We learn tenses from English book that we have from the formal school only and we tried to learn again about the grammar lesson that had been explained by the teacher in formal school in order to remember the use of tenses.”

The strategies used by all subjects practically helped them to be better in speaking.

2. The contributions of students’ strategies to improve their speaking proficiency at Islamic Boarding school of Mamba’us Sholihin 2 Blitar

Learning language in education is expected to help students express ideas and feelings. In learning speaking, the students are directed be able to improve their speaking as proficient in order to be successful in language learners. Therefore the students needed to employ some learning strategies
related to improve their speaking proficiency. In its practice every students
had various strategies in learning speaking, because they had different
characteristics. They used various strategies that were suitable and effective
for them. It was expected to give contribution in their speaking proficiency.

The data related to the contribution of the students’ strategies for
improving their speaking proficiency were taken from conducting
observation in the field and interview with the subjects. All of the subjects
stated that their learning strategies could give many advantages for them. For
example their strategy help them memorize the vocabulary more easier.
Another contribution of the employed strategies was it was more helpful in
learning grammar, and practicing pronunciation. It could be done by
providing some new vocabularies in a chunk not words individually, the
students found new words from dictionary then memorizing them before
going to sleep, and applying new vocabulary into their daily activity.

Another contribution was the students could find a lot of vocabularies
that they never heared before and it made them to not easily forget the
vocabularies because they directly applied them in their daily life. Therefore,
the student could practice well in improving their speaking. As stated by S6:

“By having grammar handbooks of grammar and grammar books from
the formal school, we could learn grammar on helpfull ways enough.
such as write one by one of tenses in small notes. then sharing with
other friends or mentor. Then, commonly learning strategy used to train
pronunciation when watching the movie and listening music to
pronounce words correctly and speaking fluently”.

The employed strategy also contributive in controlling of emotion to
build self confidence. and keeping on to practice to speak. From the
explanation above, the researcher got the point that all of the students learning strategies such as: finding the meaning of new vocabulary by looking up dictionary, making small notes for new vocabulary, memorizing the words before going to sleep, providing some of new vocabularies by phrase not word, applying new vocabulary to daily activity, having grammar books and grammar handbooks write one by one of tenses in a paper then sharing with other friends or teacher about grammar, practiced pronunciation includes imitating the pronunciation of words from watching movie and listening music understanding of the theme in speaking conversation activity, controlling of emotion include builded self confidence, keeping on to practice to speak were very useful for them. Those strategies could increase their vocabulary, grammar, and pronunciation.

B. Data Finding

Based on the result of observation and interview to the subjects of the research, the researcher presents the finding of the research.

1. Finding on the strategies used by the students in improving their speaking proficiency at Islamic Boarding School of Mamba’us Sholihin 2 Blitar.

This part presents the researcher findings of the kinds of strategies used by the students to improve their speaking proficiency at Islamic Boarding School of Mamba’us Sholihin 2 Blitar. In order to became successful language learners especially in learning speaking, every students had various strategies in improving his speaking proficiency.
The subjects state that all the of their own strategies help them to memorizing vocabulary, enjoyable learning grammar, and imitate practicing pronoun. Those strategies were looking up dictionary, making small notes, providing word by phrase, memorizing word before going to sleep, applying new vocabulary into their daily activity, having grammar handbooks and grammar books from formal school then sharing with other friends or mentor about grammar, understanding the theme in boarding school conversation activity, controlling of emotion to build self confidence and keeping on to practice wherever they are.

In other words those strategies were the most frequently used by students. It could be concluded that those strategies were strategies appropriate to improve their speaking proficiency. The finding on the students strategies in improving their speaking proficiency were summarized in the Table 4.1 bellow:

**Table 4.1 The Summary of Students’ Strategy in Improving Their Speaking Proficiency**

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<td>Practicing to imitate pronunciation from watching movie and listening music</td>
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<td>Keeping on to practice wherever they are</td>
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**2. Finding on the contribution of students’ strategies employed in improving their speaking proficiency at Islamic Boarding School of Mamba’us Sholihin 2 Blitar**

This part deals with the contribution of students’ strategies employed to improve their speaking proficiency. After the researcher interviewed the subject, the researcher obtained some data about the contribution of the employed strategies.
Based on strategies used by the students eventually the researcher could get the point that all of their strategies had contributions for their learning speaking in boarding school. Since the students had to take serious efforts to improve the speaking. They had to speak English as it was insisted by the school. The students stated that their own strategies gave a lot of contribution, for them such as more easier in memorizing vocabularies, helpful in learning grammar, enjoyable in practicing pronunciation, and could increase their self confident. From those explanations the researcher identified that their strategies gave big impacts in improving their speaking proficiency. The finding on the contributions of students’ strategies employed to improve their speaking proficiency were summarized in the Table 4.2 bellow:

**Table 4.2 The Summary of the contributive Students’ Strategy in Improving Their Speaking Proficiency**

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<th>No</th>
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<td>They were helpful in memorizing vocabulary easier</td>
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<td>2</td>
<td>They were helpful in learning grammar</td>
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<td>They were helpful in practicing pronunciation</td>
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<td>They were helpful in increasing their self confident</td>
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