CHAPTER 1

INTRODUCTION

In this chapter the researcher presents some points related to this research. Those include (1) background of study, (2) statement of the research problem, (3) objective of the study, (4) significance of the study, (5) scope and limitation of the study, and (6) definition of key terms.

A. Background of the Study.

Language is very important in our life. In daily activity, we need language to communication. People speak language to convey and express their ideas through communication process with others. According to (Trudgill, 1980) language is not only communicating information but it also very important to establishing and maintaining relationship with other people. Without language, people cannot communicate. Language cannot be separated from the society because they are related each other. Every region has different language. The language variation and language difference were caused by several factors such as age, social class, social networking and gender (Meyerhoff, 2006).

There are many kinds of languages in the world. In English there are two kinds of languages such as Standard English and Non-Standard English. Standard English is variety of English which is usually used in print and it normally taught in school and to non-active speakers in language of learning (Wardhaugh, 2006). It usually spoken by educated people and it used in news broadcasts and other similar situations. Beside that Non- Standard English is used in particular situation and it cannot be used in formal situation. According to (Spolsky, 1998) there are many kinds of non-standard English, one of it is slang.

Slang is a very informal kind of vocabulary used by people who know each other intimately (Swan, 1995). Slang is frequently used among younger speakers and other groups with special interests (Yule, 2014). They are also an alternative way of saying something (Spears, 2000). According to (Hill's, 2007)in his book, the term slang has been used among criminals, drug users, students, street people, hip-hoppers, video game players, surfboarders, body-builders, gamblers, journalists, aviators, food service workers, medical workers, military personnel, and many others.

Slang can be found in some conversation in our life. It always be a part of our everyday language. Slang also used in different types of media and situations. According to (Pedersen, 2007) slang can be found in computer medicated communication such as ''lol'' instead of ''laughing out loud'' or ''C U'' instead of ''see you''. However, slang occurs in oral communication all over the world. Every country has their own slang term in their language. For example in Indonesia, many teenagers use slang in their conversation for example the words ''baper'', ''lebay''. The teenagers usually use it to give some jokes to the other people. Slang is part of language changing over time.

In music, slang is very important for many artists to show which genre. For example hip hop, rock, jazz (Pedersen, 2007). Slang word often used by musician in their song. It aims to make the song looks more interesting and not formal. When listening song, someone often find the lyrics that mean the words that used in the song and the lyrics have something meaningful. But some people who use English as a second language usually confused what the meaning in that lyric. Because some part of lyrics use slang word that not found in vocabulary (McCrindle & Wolfinger, 2011). It makes them feel difficulties to understand the meaning of song's lyric. So, it is important for listeners understand the meaning of song by read implicitly. There are reason why song is selected by the researcher for analyzing slang. Song is a crucial element of everyday life (Rentfrow, 2012). By song listeners can easier to convey the meaning of slang word. Ariana Grande is one of singer who used

many kind of slang which has contrast meaning from real life in her song. She is famous American singer and song writer. Ariana Grande had number-one, number-two, and number-three songs in America (Haskell, 2019) She also won some award like Grammy Awards, MTV Video Music Awards, Billboard and many others. Until now he has 7 albums. There are Yours Truly, My Everything, Dangerous Woman, The Best, Sweetener, Thank U, Next, K Bye for Now.

This research was limited to identify the type of slang words that used in Ariana Grandes' song. This research uses ''Dangerous Woman'' album as the object of research. The researcher chose that album because that album is one of Ariana Grande's most popular albums. This album get number two on the US Billboard 200 position, with 175.000 album-equivalent units in first week (Woman, 2016). This album also became the first number album in UK. So the researcher interested to conduct research on it. The researcher wants to know dominant slang word that used by Ariana Grande in her song. It uses transcript of this song as his main sources, the sources of data are transcript of the lyrics of the song by Ariana Grande in ''Dangerous Woman'' album.

This research is directed to analyze slang used by in his lyrics of song. One song to another lyric of has different meaning each other, and the song lyrics can be validity interpreted in different ways by different reader. The data of this study are words, phrases or sentences from Ariana Grande's song which has been observed by researcher to identify the type of slang words that used. She uses transcript of this song as her main sources, the sources of data are transcript of the lyrics of the song by Ariana Grande in ''Dangerous Woman'' album. There are 15 songs in that album. There are moonlight, dangerous woman, be alright, into you, side to side, let me love you, greedy, leave me lonely, everyday, sometimes, I don't care, bad decisions, touch it, knew better/forever boy, and thinking bout you. The researcher classify the slang word based on Allan and Burridge's theory and find the meaning in the

Oxford Learner's Pocket Dictionary, NTC's Dictionary of American Slang Colloquial Expression and Urban Dictionary on the internet.

There are previous studies about slang word. The first research conducted (Seprina & Anwar, An Analysis on the Use of Slang Language in Nicki Minaj's Song Lyrics, 2018) entitled ''An Analysis on The Use of Slang Language in Nicki Minaj's Song Lyrics''. In her research, she analyzed the types and the meanings slang word in Nicki Minaj's songs. The result stated that there are 8 types of slangs. Another previous study is from (Lestari, 2016) entitled ''A study of Slang Words in Song Lyrics Used by Bruno Mars''. The result stated that it is important to understand song when someone reads lyrics of song. In 15 songs that she analyzed, she found 5 types of slang word. The other previous study is by (Silalahi & Handayani, 2019) entitled ''Slang Words in Rihanna's Song Lyrics: Sociolinguistic Approach''. The result of the research is there are 5 types of word formation contain in the lyrics of Rihana's songs.

There is 1 thesis that used old theories. The previous study is by (Seprina & Anwar, 2018) entitled ''An Analysis on The Use of Slang Language in Nicki Minaj's Song Lyrics''. They used Eric and Patridge theory that published at 1954. But, in this research, the researcher used Allan & Burridge theory that published at 2006. The new theory expected can make more relevant because slang is develop every time. Therefore, this research is identifying the type of slang words in song. The researcher uses 15 Ariana Grande's songs in ''Dangerous Woman'' album as the data. The sources of data are transcript of the lyrics of the song by Ariana Grande in ''Dangerous Woman'' album. From the description above the researcher tries to make this study entitled **''SLANG WORDS USED BY ARIANA GRANDE IN DANGEROUS WOMAN ALBUM''.**

B. Statement of the Research Problem

Based on the background of the study, the problems of this study are:

1. What are the types of slang word used by Ariana Grande's in Dangerous Woman album?

2. What are the meanings of slang word used by Ariana Grande's in Dangerous Woman album?

C. Objectives of the Study

Based on the research problem, the objectives of the study are:

1. To find out the types of slang words used by Ariana Grande's in Dangerous Woman album.

2. To find out the meanings of slang word used by Ariana Grande's in Dangerous Woman album.

D. Significance of the Study

By conducting this study, the writer hopes that the result of this research will be useful to enrich slang languages' knowledge. This research hopefully can increase the writer's knowledge about slang language. Besides that, this research hopefully can increase English Education Department students' knowledge about slang language. By learning slang language, the writer can understand and know the use of slang language in daily conversation or in informal situation.

E. Scope and Limitation of the Study

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F. Definition of the key terms

1. Slang word

   Slang is a non-formal or casual spoken language that is created and used by people in particular group.

2. Song

   a piece of music that consists of words and people can sing it anyway, anytime and it can be part of expression of feeling which can help stimulate memory and learning.