

CHAPTER I

INTRODUCTION

A. Background of the study

Language is a communication tool because language is a manifestation of the human mind using words, signs, or other expressions that can be communicated through writing, mouth, and body. Humans use language to build relationships with each other. Fromklin et al (2012; Crystal (1992) says language is the systematic and conventional use of sounds, signs, and written symbols to communicate and self-expression. Howles (2011:10) states that the scientific study of language is called linguistics. According to Gleason (1961), the internal structure of language consists of Phonology (*part of linguistics that studies the sounds of language*), Morphology (*the science of word forms*), Syntax (*the science of the principles and rules for constructing sentences in language*), and semantics (*a branch of linguistics that studies the meaning contained in a language, code, or other type of representation.*).

Conjunction is the term for a linguistic form whose primary function is to connect words or other constructions. Conventionally, connective items are classified into coordinating conjunctions (e.g., and, or, but) and subordinating conjunctions (because, when, unless) (Crystal 2008:101). Aarts and Aarts (1982) divide these conjunctions based on formal and function. Formally conjunctions can be divided into simple and complex conjunctions. Simple conjunctions are: *and, if,*

because, since, before, that, but and while. Complex conjunctions are: *as if, in case, as long as, in so far as, as soon as, now that, as though, and so that.*

Conjunctions are one of the important aspects in making a sentence. Conjunctions function to connect words or sentences so that a good and understandable sentence is formed. Conjunctions are found in many readings such as newspapers, magazines, novels, textbooks and many more. But there are still many people who don't know well what conjunctions are and what is included in conjunctions. There are several types of conjunctions that people don't know that they are types of conjunctions due to their lack of awareness in encountering these conjunctions.

Lack of awareness about the proper use of conjunctions can lead to making mistakes in constructing sentences or failing to convey a message clearly. Mistakes in using conjunctions can change the meaning of the sentence as a whole. To overcome this problem, it can be done through proper educational approaches, communication training, and dissemination of information through various media, one of which uses song media. This is rarely realized by many people, because songs are usually only used for entertainment. We can find some types of conjunctions in songs and use them as learning materials to increase our knowledge about conjunctions.

Conjunctions contain many words. This makes conjunctions seem difficult to learn. Many people do not understand conjunctions, especially the types of conjunctions and many people do not realize that conjunctions

also exist in song lyrics. Therefore, the researcher is interested in analyzing some commonly used conjunctions. By using song lyrics from Avenged Sevenfold's "Nightmare" album, researcher will analyze and find conjunctions.

In previous studies often take conjunctions used in literary works in this case novels, while in this study it is used in song lyrics. related to the genre in previous studies that took objects that fellow songs took the pop genre while in this study took the heavy metal genre.

The lyrics from the Nightmare album were chosen for analysis, because the songs contained in the album are very popular, especially among teenagers and adults. Avenged Sevenfold is one of the most popular Heavy Metal bands in the world. Researchers can use several connectors in the lyrics contained in this Nightmare album. Therefore, the researcher hopes that this study can be useful for readers and provide references to this problem and increase knowledge for those who have Based on the above problems, the researcher took the title of the thesis: " An Analysis Of Conjunctions Found In The Lyrics Of Avenged Sevenfold Songs Of The Album Nightmare".

Avenged Sevenfold is a Heavy Metal band formed in Huntington Beach, California in 1999. The band's current lineup consists of lead vocalist M. Shadows, rhythm guitarist and backing vocalist Zacky Vengeance, lead guitarist and backing vocalist Synyster Gates, bassist and backing vocalist

Johnny Christ, and drummer Brooks Wackerman. The band was known for their musical genre and produced a phenomenal number of songs at that time.

Specifically, this study was directed to elaborate the extent of the meaning of conjunctions used by this band group in their song lyrics.

B. Formulation of research problem

The writer formulated the main problems to be answered as stated in following research question:

1. What types of conjunctions are found in Avenged Sevenfold song lyrics of the album "Nightmare"?
2. How the use of conjunctions to explain the purpose of Avenged Sevenfold song lyrics in "Nightmare" Album?

C. Objectives of The Research

Referring to the formulation of research question above, the objectives of the study are:

1. To find out the types of conjunctions found in Avenged Sevenfold song lyrics on the album "Nightmare"
2. To explain about the use of conjunctions to explain the purpose of Avenged Sevenfold song lyrics in "Nightmare" Album?

D. Scope and Limitation

Based on the previous explanation, this research is directed to describe the conjunctions used in Avenged Sevenfold song lyrics covering the

Types of conjunctions found in Avenged Sevenfold song lyrics on the album "Nightmare", and

The use of conjunctions to explain the purpose of Avenged Sevenfold song lyrics in "Nightmare" Album

The limitation of this research is that it only examines one album, maybe it would be better if this research examines cross-albums in order to know more about the different expressions of the songs heard because the songs represent the feelings and atmosphere of the singer

E. The Significances of Study

The findings of this research are expected to be useful theoretically and practically.

1. Theoretically

Theoretically, the results of this study can increase knowledge about conjunction theory because there are still many people who do not know about conjunctions, increase knowledge that in a song there are also conjunctions that we can use to learn about conjunctions and add research on conjunction analysis or types of conjunctions. The results of this study are expected to provide information, understanding, and new insights for readers about conjunctions as well.

2. Practically

- a. For readers, it is important to understand and enrich conjunction skills especially for those who are interested and

want to learn about grammar.

- b. For teachers, to deepen their knowledge of grammar, especially in conjunctions.
- c. For students, the main way to expand their grammar knowledge is by learning conjunctions.

F. Definition of Key Term

1. Song : Song is an artistic composition of tones or sounds in order, combination, and temporal relationships (usually accompanied by musical instruments) to produce musical compositions that have unity and continuity (containing rhythm). And a variety of tones or sounds that are rhythmic
2. Lyrics of song: Lyrics are a series of words that make up a song usually consisting of several stanzas, Lyrics are defined as the arrangement of words in a song and can also be called poetry.
3. Conjunctions : Conjunctions are words or expressions that connect two equal language units: word to word, phrase to phrase, clause to clause, and sentence to sentence. Examples: and, or, and