



The researcher used Brown and Levinson (1987) theory to analyze the strategy of negative politeness which divided into ten strategies, they are be conventionally indirect, question and hedges, be pessimistic, minimize the imposition, give deference, apologize, impersonalize, state the FTA as a general rule, nominalize, and go on record as incurring in a debt. In Facebook and Instagram, the researcher found that there are seven strategies out ten strategies that appear by the Manchester United fans, while the dominant strategy is “Be Pessimistic” with 26 data out of 62 data. The result of this research found that negative politeness strategies applied by the Manchester United fan depends on the context and situation. Sometime the fans are used simple and complex form of negative politeness strategy, it is depend on the result and the performance of the team.

Every people have different purpose in expressing negative politeness. According Brown and Levinson (1987:71) there are two factors that might influence the choice of negative politeness strategies. It is discovered into two factors, namely by “Payoff” and “Relevant the Circumstance”. In the factor of the circumstance is divided into three kinds, they are social distance, relative power, and ranking. From 62 data, the payoff factor’s is the highest factor. There are 8 data out of 62 data, and for the second highest is social distance while it can be seen from the different between players and fans. For the last highest is relative power, it shows that there are 3 data out of 62 data.

In conclusion, most of the Manchester United fans used the negative politeness strategies when the team defeat. The Manchester United fans can uses

