

INTRODUCTION

1.1 Background of the Study

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M Blank in (J Aitchison, 2007:147) said that human develops language in order to cope with everyday needs. Dealing with Blank, Holmes (2001:2) states that human uses language to ask for and give people information. While, Wardhaugh in his book (2006:1) states that language is what the members of particular society speak. Through these theories, the writer took two points that language has two important functions from a social point of view. First, it has important role in conveying information about the speaker's means to another's. Second, it establishes social relationship. This is as what Trudgill (1976:13) said that language is not simply a means of communication, information about the weather or any other subject. It is also very important means of establishing and maintaining relationship with other people. Simply, it can be underlined that language is very important for human life and it covers human's relationship.

Holmes (2001:21) states, there are some factors that influence a person to use language choice, they are; to whom you are talking to, the social context of the talk, the function, and the last is the topic of the talk. In other sides, Sumarsono (2009:201) states, there are three kinds of language choice in sociolinguistic field; they are code switching, code mixing, and language variation. First, code switching is the speaker influenced by participants, topic, and situation. Second, code mixing is almost the same with code switching but it is usually appears in phrase and word. The last is variation within the same language, it is combining the same language between formal and informal form.

Here, the writer chooses the students of English Department at Faculty of Arts and Himanities State Islamic University Sunan Ampel Surabaya. At least there were two supporting reasons for choosing the students of English Department as the subject of this research. First, students of English Department are multilingual society, because they use three languages (Vernacular Language, National Language, and Foreign

Based on the data gotten from the Head of English Department, per 30th March 2016 there are 590 people from different region which still listed as the students of English Department State Islamic University Sunan Ampel Surabaya. However, the students from Java and Madura were more dominant than another, this can be seen in the daily activities of them, that Javanese and Madurese languages were used in often, besides of Indonesia and English. Dealing with this condition, in order get the maximum data, the researcher limited the subject of this study just from Madurese and Javanese students only.

Based on the explanation stated in introduction or background of the study above, the researcher formulates the statement of the problems as follow:

1.2.1 What are the patterns of language choice used by students of English Department at Faculty of Arts and Humanities State Islamic University Sunan Ampel Surabaya?

1.3 Objectives of The Study

1.3.1 To identify the patterns of language choice used by students of English Department at Faculty of Arts and Humanities State Islamic University Sunan Ampel Surabaya

1.3.2 To reveal the reasons for the use of language choices used by students of English Department at Faculty of Arts and Humanities State Islamic University Sunan Ampel Surabaya

Mahtsun stated in his book (2005:229) that the significance of conducting the research itself is to solve the problems that become the research focus. By doing this analysis, the researcher hopes he can reveal and show to the readers especially to researcher him self about the using of language choice used by students of English Department at Faculty of

1.4.1 Theoretically

1.4.2 Practically

1.5 Scope and Limitation

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1.6 Operational Definitions

To avoid any misunderstanding and misinterpretation about the basic concepts of the study, here the researcher explained the definition and key terms are stated below:

1.6.1 Language choice: the use of one language in one situation and another language in another situation depending on the prevailing social context. In addition Holmes (2013:22) states language choice is choosing a language that usually appears in many speech communities.

1.6.2 English Department students: Students of Faculty of Arts and Humanities at State Islamic University Sunan Ampel Surabaya who Take English Department

1.6.3 Multilingual: A condition when people use more than two languages to interact with other people by turns (Chaer and Agustine, 2004:85).

1.6.4 Sociolinguistics: The study about language which take relation to social condition (Sumarsono, 2009).