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First time, slang appeared in the middle of century used by writers. They used some dialect's pronunciations from different regions. In the 16 century, there was slang called *cant* that is used by criminals. This language came from Romanian language and had relation with France. Over time, people didn't think that slang is criminal language again.

As Holmes (1992) states that people in a society may speak some varieties of language in accordance to different social climates they meet. It is true that people should know whether they are in informal or formal situation. When people speak, they should understand well about situation around. It is important in choosing appropriate language that will be used, formal style or non formal one. The use of slang language can be effected by some social factors such as age, gender, status, etc. Slang is another area of vocabulary which reflect a person's age (Holmes, 2001: 167).

While according to Claire (1990:4) slang is term that is used by people in social situation where they feel comfortable with their friends. Slang is usually used in non formal situation. It can make a conversation becomes more intimate. Slang term is used in almost all oral language and usually used to express people's feelings and creativities. Kridalaksana in linguistic dictionary (2000:20) defines slang as non formal style that is used by young people or particular social class to communicate internally as an effort in order to make other people do not understand, both of by adding new vocabularies or changing existing words. According to Spolsky (1998:36) slang is a feature of the speech of the young and powerness.







4. There are five slang terms that are categorized into reduplication. Four terms are classified into full reduplication and one term classified into dwilingga reduplication of lexeme.

5. There are no slang terms in this thesis which can be classified into coinage, back formation, conversion and onomatopoeia process.

TrinugraheniKristyaniPutri (2006) her research is entitled **“Analisis proses pembentukan slang padalagu 50cent dalam album Get Rich or Die Trying”**. In her research she tried to classify and describe slang words appear in 50cent song in album of “Get Rich or Die Trying”. It is a kind of descriptive qualitative research. She used eight kinds of word formation process from Fromkin and Rodman (1998:82), Katamba (1993:47-54), Yule (1985:52-55), O’Grady and Guzman (1996:143-163), Quirck, Greenbaum, Leech and Syartvik (1985:1567-1583). After analyzing the data, she found that coinage is the mostly occurs in the data. Coinage as a process when a new word is needed but there are no appropriate borrowed word and native word to express it. Other processes that appear are compounding, clipping, conversion, blending, abbreviation and derivation. There are totally 96 slang terms appear in the data.

Verawati BR Sitio (2011) her research is entitled **“The word formation process and domain analysis of slang in Anak Kos DodolKumatLagi”**. Besides finding out kinds of word formation and explaining the word formation process of slang, the writer also describes the domain factors of slang. In classifying and explaining the word formation process the writer used theory from O’Grady and



Guzman, Hatch and Brown, and Kridalaksana. In describing the domain factors of slang, she used theory from Fishman (1970:20). In the result of this research the writer conclude that there are nine kinds of word formation occur in the data, they are borrowing, blending, compounding, clipping, abbreviation, backformation, coinage, onomatopoeia and derivation. From those kinds of word formation, borrowing becomes the most one found in this novel. In addition, in this research, by the domain analysis, the writer found two kinds of domain; they are friendship and family domain. In the analysis step, it also can be seen that three main factors namely participant, setting and topic take an important role of classifying the domain group.

Therefore, the researcher is interested in studying about the slang words used by teenager and the meaning of slang words by BlackBerry teenager user. Moreover, the researcher focuses on the word formation process and the meaning of slang words used by teenager in BlackBerry Messenger (BBM).