#### **CHAPTER I**

#### INTRODUCTION

This chapter deals with background of the study, problems of the study, objectives of the study, significance of the study, scope and limitation of the study, and operational definition.

## 1.1 Background of the Study

A number of the authors have conducted studies on cohesive devices in text, for example (Ahmed; 2008; Hameed, 2008; Setyowati, 2008; Tsareva, 2010; Akindele, 2011; Gocić, 2012; Fakuade & Sharndama, 2012; Vujevic; Querol; Rahimi & Ebrahimi, 2012; Shahnaz & Imtiaz, 2014; Sunarto, 2014). Two of them (Setyowati, 2008; Sunarto, 2014) conduct cohesive device analysis in their undergraduate thesis. Their studies focus on cohesive devices in drama and the articles of a magazine. Most of them prefer journal articles as their data sources such as (Hameed, 2008; Akindele, 2011; Gocić, 2012; Shahnaz & Imtiaz, 2014). (Fakuade & Sharndama, 2012) make a comparative analysis of the cohesive devices used in professional and popularized legal texts by using Halliday and Hassan's 1976 model. Similar studies focus on part of cohesive devices are done by (Vujevic; Ahmed; 2008; Querol; Rahimi & Ebrahimi, 2012). Furthermore post-graduate dissertation is conducted by (Tsareva, 2010). Most of the research about cohesive device is done in area of research articles and academic publications. None of the researcher use movie script as their source of data. Whereas, we know that grammatical cohesion are also used in our daily

conversation. So, this present study tries to analyze grammatical cohesion existing in movie script of "The Miracle Worker" to make it easier to understand.

Conducting study on cohesive device is very interesting. This is proven by the number of international journals and undergraduate theses focus on cohesive device as their analysis. A variety of object and angle of studies makes the result of the studies different one from the other. The previous studies mostly compare or analyze the cohesive device in some articles. Therefore, I think I need to conduct the study about part of cohesive device which is grammatical cohesion on data have never been researched by other researchers.

Whereas, cohesive device is necessary for interpreting. It is evident that script writer use various cohesive devices to produce an authentic and high quality movie. They are demanded to compile the sentence correctly. So it is more than appropriate to investigate the cohesive devices used in the movie.

In this research, the researcher analyzes and tries to describe cohesive devices used in this movie. Specifically, it discusses the cohesive devices used in the movie. Cohesive devices that are analyzed divided into two types, that are; grammatical cohesion and lexical cohesion. However, the researcher focuses on grammatical cohesion as her study. Because the most previous studies prefer analyze cohesive device wholly or grammatical cohesion partly. It makes the researcher feels that this study is necessary to be conducted. Discovery of grammatical cohesion in "The Miracle Worker" movie completes the previous study that have never discussed about grammatical cohesion wholly.

# 1.2 Problem of the Study

Based on the background of study above, the problem of the study can be stated as follows:

- 1. What is the frequency of each type of grammatical cohesion in "The Miracle Worker" movie?
- 2. What are the functions of grammatical cohesion use in "The Miracle Worker" movie?

## 1.3 Objective of the Study

This study has objectives relating to the formulation of the problems above. They can be stated as follows:

- 1. To describe the frequency of each type of grammatical cohesion in "The Miracle Worker" movie.
- 2. To describe the functions of grammatical cohesion use in "The Miracle Worker" movie.

# 1.4 Significance of the Study

Understanding cohesive device within a text can be useful, for:

- For English language learners to improve their writing and reading skills
  by having basic understanding of cohesive devices. English learners will
  observe how to connect and present the text as a single unit which can
  help in writing skill. They can improve their reading speed by
  understanding how the content is linked.
- 2. For the English writers by giving them a guideline about practices of English cohesive devices.

#### 1.5 Scope and limitation

Actually, cohesive device is divided into two types: grammatical cohesion and lexicon cohesion. But, in this present study the writer makes limitation of discussion to assure the theme of thesis analysis. This research will discuss about grammatical cohesion in "The Miracle Worker" movie. From the topic that is chosen, the researcher focuses on the four main characters in this movie to clarify the problem above. In this present study, it may be found several weaknesses and need many revisions.

### 1.6 Operational Definition

#### 1. Cohesive device

Cohesive devices are the components of cohesion in creating a text unity of meaning within a text which can be formed of words or phrases, or utterances. It is divided into two types, namely grammatical and lexical cohesion devices.

## 2. Grammatical cohesion

The explanation of grammatical cohesion used in this study is that discovered by Halliday and Hasan (1967). Halliday and Hasan's (1967) theory divides grammatical cohesion into four types: reference, substitution, ellipsis and conjunction are including in grammatical cohesion's types.

#### 3. The Miracle Worker

The Miracle Worker is a movie produced by Fred Coe, published in United State (1979).

