## **ABSTRACT**

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In a conversation, turn taking automatically occur because the participants take and manage their role in order to get the message. Stenström (1994) divides turn taking strategies into taking the turn strategy, holding the turn strategy, and yielding the turn strategy. The aim of this study are to show the readers about the types of turn taking strategies, the function of turn taking strategies and the process of turn taking when the participants take their turn. Therefore, the researcher chooses talk show as her object because it is very enjoyable and natural conversation. For the talk show, the researcher chooses "The Ellen DeGeneres Show" because this talk show is one of the best and popular talk show in America. The researcher also uses descriptive qualitative method because the data in the form of words descriptively, not in the form of percentage or numeral. Moreover, the researcher also as the main instrument because she is the one who identifies, observes and analyzes the data. The source of this research is the video of the Ellen DeGeneres show that include of the host and the guests utterance. After analyzing the data, the researcher found out that the participants do not use all the turn taking strategies, it is caused of the duration, the topic and the personality of the participants influence the conversation in the talk show. Moreover, the participants do not only use utterances but also gesture when they take their turn.