CHAPTER III

METHOD OF THE STUDY

This chapter presents the way how this study arranged. It classified the method of the research approach. Technique of data collection, and technique of data analysis.

3.1   Research Approach

This research used descriptive qualitative as a tool research methods. The purpose of this study is too understood and described the phenomenon that happens to the subject being analyzed in natural contexts. According to Dabbs (1998: p.221) qualitative refers to the meaning concept, definitions, characteristics, metaphors, symbols, and description of things. This study is done by describing the data that is found in this analysis, than combine with more general conclusion. The data are analyzed by transcribing the spoken into written data, so that it is easier to categorize the data into ten women's linguistic features based on Lakoff theory.

3.2   Data Sources

There are two sources of data in this study, first is the stand-up comedy do by Sarah Silverman and second is conversation between Precious with other character in Precious movie.

There is one episode of Sarah Silverman comedy under title 'comic relief standup' produce in 2006. Considering that program was showed for 7 minutes. The researcher only downloads one program of Sarah Silverman. Sarah Silverman

standup, uploading in YouTube since 2006 and has been watched by more than 500 hundred people.

Second data is from Precious movie by Lee Daniels, while the researcher focuses on Precious conversation with other characters. Precious movie release in November 6, 2009 this movie finds out the Academy Award as a best director.

3.3 Data Collection

In determining women linguistic features used by Sarah Silverman and Precious, the researcher needs to take four stapes to collect the data.

1. First step was determining the episodes of talk show that would be analyzed from a particular season.
2. Second, the researcher downloaded the video from YouTube
3. Third step was watched the video in laptop
4. Last step was transcribing the interview between the speaker and their audience, and between main character and other character in movie.

When transcribing, the researcher listened the video recording for several times to make sure that the transcription is correct. The transcription has many limitations that is caused by the limited ability of the researcher in interpreting English spoken language since English is her foreign language.

In obtaining the data of rising intonation on declaratives, the researcher used *Praat* software which can produce figure of sound wave from the recording. Praat software is a free scientific computer software package for the analysis of speech in phonetic.

1. First step taken is converting the format recording to mp3 using *Corel AudioVideo X6* software.

2. After converting the video, the researcher opened the mp3 file in the *Praat* software and observed the figure of sound wave which is obtained by getting the pitch contour of the utterances.

This one is the differences with previous study which did not use any software to find out the women pitch in conversation. It will be easier to identify and find out the rising intonation of each speaker.

3.4   Data Analysis

There are some steps to analyze women linguistic features used by Sarah Silverman in stand-up comedy speech and Precious in movie conversation. After reading the transcription, the researcher divided the transcription into several features of women's linguistic features. There are ten features of Women's Linguistic Features include *lexical hedges fillers, tag question, rising intonation on declaratives, 'empty' adjectives, precise colors terms, intensifier, hypercorrect grammar, super polite form, avoidance of strong swear words, and emphatic stress.* Next, the researcher interprets each sentence to know what does it means, and why she used those words. Last step is comparing two finding, so we know which one between natural and planned language that still used standard women language.