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(Carstairs & McCarthy 2002). Here, morpheme can be named as a word. There are two kinds of morpheme; free and bound morpheme. A morpheme that can stand alone is called a free morpheme, such as happy, table, help, etc. While a morpheme that cannot stand alone is called bound morpheme, and it must be bound to a free morpheme, such as in "-er" in the word "cheaper." The word-formation, such as cheap + -er, becomes "cheaper," which absolutely cannot be separated into morphology because morphology also engages the word-formation.

Word formation is the process of forming a word that is studied in morphology. This study focuses on creating such morphemes to construct new words. There are several kinds of word-formation processes for creating new words. Wisniewski (2007) stated that "word formation is referred to as all processes connected with changing the form of the words." There are several ways to form word variations, such as compounding, blending, coinage, borrowing, etc.

In this era, it is crucial to learn about morphology, including word-formation. Because in the development era, there are many new words formed that not everyone knows about the development of the word itself, especially in older people who do not follow the development of today's modern. In its development, more and more new words are created by some people as casual slang used daily to talk with their close friends or even for marketing purposes in the advertisement. Therefore, we can learn how to form a word in morphology to find out the meaning.

In this study, the researcher is interested in using advertisements as the data. Because in today's advertisements, there are many new word creations created by

digital marketers to promote the products. Based on the definition, Agustrijanto (2002) stated that an advertisement is a form of communication that encourages consumers to purchase their products and promote their new products. The advertisement is also one of the most effective ways of marketing communication for companies or business owners who want to achieve the goals in their markets and survive in fierce business competition and build more value in products.

Based on the types of advertisements, there are two kinds of advertisements to determine where their target market is. Those are outdoor and indoor advertisements. Nugroho (2011) stated that "outdoor advertisements which exist in the open space, can be seen in roads, malls, etc., while the indoor can be seen in newspapers, brochures, magazines, etc."

In this study, the data was taken from outdoor advertisements. Because in this type of advertisement, we can find more advertisements that are displayed in broader coverage that can be found on the roadside in the form of billboards, banners, and even on Videotron. In our daily lives, everywhere we go along the way, we indeed see various advertisements. The consumers will know and remember the product if the business owners use unique language or vocabulary to persuade them. Therefore, using language in advertisements is important to promote the product (Fauziah & Saun, 2018). To create a good advertisement, the owner should use unique and interesting words or even create a new word to attract consumers to have a willingness to buy the products because consumers are more likely to have an interest in advertising that is unique, contrast, and interesting.

There have been some previous studies conducted by other researchers about word formation, such as slang words (e.g., Fathonah, 2018; Novianti 2017; and Sheryllia 2019), advertisement boards (e.g., Anggraeni, 2011; Fauziyah & Sanun, 2018; Nurman, 2014; Rustamaji, 2015). The word-formation process also has been studied by researchers in different data. Among the examples are using social media such as on Facebook (Fathonah, 2018; Mustafa et.al., 2015), on Instagram (Sheryllia, 2019), and another researcher used Deadpool movie (Novianti, 2017), soccer terms in Jakarta Post (Hanif, 2015), Brand names in Indonesian product (Giyatmi et.al.,2014). The word-formation process of advertisement was also studied by the researchers in a different areas, such as advertisement boards in Semarang (Anggraeni, 2011), in Padang city (Fauziah & Saun, 2018), in Lamongan (Nurman, 2014), in Kendal Regency (Rustamaji, 2015).

Some researchers do not provide a clear analysis of the word-formation process on their data from the mentioned research above. They only show some of the data obtained containing elements of the word-formation process without clearly analyzing how the words are formed (Fauziyah & Sanun, 2018; Nurman, 2014). Whereas to know the process of word-formation with the explicit meaning of a word, it is essential to provide information to the reader about how the application of morphology in word-formation.

However, some researchers have researched advertisements in several cities in Indonesia (e.g., Anggraeni, 2011; Fauziyah & Sanun, 2018; Nurman, 2014; Rustamaji, 2015). But as far as I know, no one of the previous studies researched the word-

formation process in the outdoor advertisement in Surabaya city. The researcher used the data broader in advertisements such as billboards, banners, and Videotron in this study. The previous studies only take the data on the billboard advertisement. In this present research, the researcher limits the scope of the study only on the Surabaya roadside that can be passed by the car on East Surabaya, Central Surabaya, and West Surabaya. The researcher does not take data from narrow roads because there are so many narrow roads in Surabaya. The researcher chooses English words of outdoor advertisement in Surabaya as the data of this research because Surabaya is the biggest city in Java Island after Jakarta. There are so many restaurants and shops that use outdoor advertisements as the media to promote their product, especially in East, Central, and West Surabaya. The researcher does not search the North and South Surabaya data because North Surabaya is part of a densely populated area with many small alleys and lots of houses, so it is infrequent to find advertisements installed on the roadside. On the other hand, in South Surabaya, advertisements are rarely found too. If it is found, the established advertisements are the same as in Central, East, and West Surabaya.

In this global economic era, many business owners use advertisements to convey messages and information to consumers about their products. But the phenomenon that occurs in advertisements, many business owners make new words that are sometimes not understood by the target market (consumers). It causes the message or information to be conveyed by the business owners may be not delivered to consumers, which can be a disappointment on both sides. Sometimes, consumers

2.1.2.1 Blending

Blending is a word-formation process whereby a word is created from non-morphemic parts of two items (O'Grady et.al. 1997). Blending is also the combination of two parts of words but deleting the part of combined words. For instance, the word motel (motor + hotel), brunch (breakfast + lunch), and so on.

2.1.2.2 Borrowing

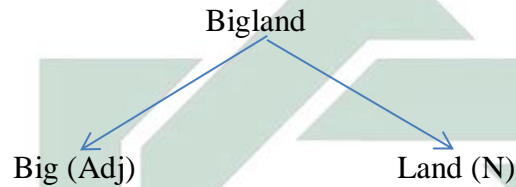
Borrowing is the process of adapted or borrowing the word from other languages. The English language was also taken the languages from another country into the dictionary. For example, yogurt derived from Turkish, piano derived from Italian, alcohol derived from Arabic, and many others. The borrowed words can also change the pronunciation, such as democracy derived from Greek (*democratos*), supermarket derived from Japanese (*suupaamaaketto*), etc.

2.1.2.3 Compounding

O'Grady and Guzman (1996, p.151) state that the mixture of lexical categories (noun, verb, adjective, or preposition) is compounding. Compounding is also known as the combination of two or more words. For example: (noun compound: windmill, postcard, greenhouse), (verb compound: overlook, spoon-feed), (Adjective compound: red-hot, nationwide)

form of a table on which there are toys, but these are board games for teenagers like Secret Hitler, Aquatico, Waroong Wars, and so on.

4.1.2.1.2 Bigland



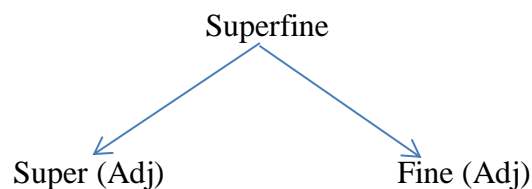
The data above is a compound word that the word “big” is combined with the word “land” to form a new term *Bigland*. *Bigland* is an advertisement of a mattress product brand from Las Vegas, the USA, that was found on Jalan Gemblongan, Central Surabaya. *Bigland* does not mean a large land or big island as happened in the word “Big Land.” The “land” of *Bigland* here is a compound word that can be interpreted as a large mattress. Some people call mattresses a kapok island, especially Indonesians, because kapok is used as a filling material for mattresses, pillows, and bolsters. But on modern mattresses like *Bigland* is a large mattress made of slightly kapok, sponges, and springs, making the mattress texture much softer.

The researcher also found other data from the same mattress product, the *Airland* brand. The word “land” of *Airland* is also a representation of a mattress that has a cycle in and out of the air in it due to the effect of the spring on the mattress, so it can create a comfortable feeling and a soft texture when on it.

The data above is a compound word that the word “home” is combined with the word “stay” to form a new term, *homestay*. The word *homestay* is in the advertisement of “International Homestay - Coffee and Lounge” that was found on Jalan Bangka, East Surabaya. Homestay means a local resident’s house that is rented out to foreign tourists for a long time to get to know and learn the language and culture of certain local people. This concept is different from hotels that have luxurious buildings with complete facilities. A homestay is just a house with a few rooms, which makes it a private place.

Currently, homestays are starting to experience changes in service quality, function, location, buildings, and facilities. Generally, homestays are owned by individuals, which do not even have business management. However, at this time, rented houses are not just ordinary local residents’ houses, but have become a form of lodging business at high prices, which are oriented towards making money, as happened in Indonesia, namely Oyo, Reddors, and others. Therefore tourists will not see the notion of homestay in the same way again.

4.1.2.1.5 Superfine

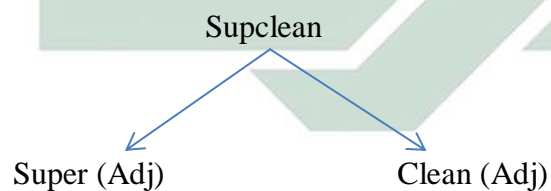


The data above is a compound word that the word “super” is combined with the word “fine” to form a new term *superfine*. The word “superfine” means so fine

speed of service. The word “Maxpress” is an advertisement from laundry service “Maxpress – Coin Laundry,” which was found on Jalan Raya Lontar, West Surabaya.

I argue that the word “Maxpress” here is used as a communication message to the customers, which informs that this laundry service can be done quickly and optimally. Especially in this laundry using many machines that customers can operate by inserting coins, then the device can operate quickly by itself. So the customers don’t feel queued because of the long service from employees or the very long way the washing machine works. At this point, the researcher thought that the weakness is the people will only pay attention to the word of maximum and express which this laundry provides fast service. Still, some people will be doubtful about the cleanliness of a given laundry.

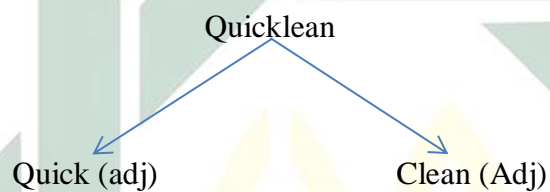
4.1.2.2.2 Supclean



The word “Supclean” consists of two different words, namely super and clean. The first word is “super,” which is cut to be “sup,” which means high quality, and the second word is “clean.” The word “Supclean” was found in an advertisement for the laundry service store “Supclean Laundry Service.” The researcher argued that the word “Supclean” here is used as a communication message to the customers, informing them that this laundry will provide clean service optimally. At this point,

the researcher thought about its weakness, which the people will only pay attention to the word super clean which this laundry provides clean service optimally, but some people may doubt the time given when washing, whether long or fast. It will be a separate comparison by the customer to choose a laundry service.

4.1.2.2.3 Quicklean



The word “Quicklean” consists of two different words, namely quick and clean. The first word is “quick,” and the second word is “clean.” Quicklean is an advertisement for laundry service store “Quicklean Laundry and Dry clean.” The words “quick” and “clean” both have the same suffix prefix and are combined into “quicklean.” Not without reason, this is the owner’s strategy to make people easily memorize the brand name and make it as information to people that this laundry claims that it will provide quick and clean service to customers. It makes a great attraction for customers to do laundry at Quicklean with the services that will be provided. Because if we compare it with Maxpress and Supclean, both only highlight one maximum service, that is fast (on Maxpress) and clean (on Supclean), but Quicklean can provide both.

4.1.2.8 Back Formation

Back Formation is a word reduction process in which the original words are usually nouns that are reduced to verbs. The researcher only found one data in the advertisement that is “edit.” The word “edit” is a verb that is formed by the back-formation of the noun “editor.”

4.1.2.9 Coinage

Coinage is a word-formation in English that is the creation of completely new words. The trade names of commercial products that become general words are the most common origins of coinage. The word of coinage is usually also derived from the name of people, place, or specific products. This word-formation type was found by the researcher in outdoor advertisements installed in Surabaya. Here the data and the analysis are as follows:

4.1.2.9.1 Turkish Carpet

The word “Turkish” was found on Jalan Kramat Hang, Central Surabaya, on the banner of the carpet shop “Turkish Carpet.” The word “Turkish” is the people of Turkey or relating to the state of Turkey. In this case, the word “Turkish” is used as the name of the carpet shop (Turkish Carpet), which Turkey is known to the world for its quality carpets that have a distinctive beauty of motifs. Therefore, this shop uses the word “Turkish” as the shop's name to attract the customers' attention. Most of these carpet shops have originally imported carpets from Turkey in the form of prayer rug carpets.

inflection. The researcher uses data from English words of outdoor advertisements installed in three areas of Surabaya, namely East, Central, and West Surabaya.

The researcher has answered the first question dealing with the types of English word-formation found in outdoor advertisements installed in the East, Central, and West Surabaya roadside. The data found contain all of the ten types of word formation based on O'Grady and Gusman (1996) theory, in the form of English word-formation of advertisements in billboards, banners, and Videotron. The data is mostly found in East Surabaya because many advertisements can be found there, and coincidentally it was the researcher's first destination to search the data. The researcher did not observe North and South Surabaya because little data was found there after being traced. The reason is that North Surabaya is part of a densely populated area with many small alleys and lots of houses, so it is rare to find advertisements installed there. On the other hand, in South Surabaya, advertisements are rarely found too. If it found, the installed advertisements are the same as in Central, East, and West Surabaya. Therefore, the data of this study is only on English advertisements located in the three areas in Surabaya.

The researcher also has answered the second question dealing with the word-formation processes and the messages or information conveyed from the data found. After analyzing the data, the researcher concludes the general description of the messages or information contained in English words of advertisements installed in East, Central, and West Surabaya roadside. In analyzing a word using word formation,

word-formation process that is most often found in the advertisement installed on East, Central, and West Surabaya roadside.

Based on the overall findings above related to present study with several previous research, this study strengthens previous studies from Anggraeni (2014) and Rustamaji (2015). Anggraeni (2014) analyzed word formation on billboards installed in Semarang. Meanwhile, Rustamaji (2015) analyzed the word formation process on advertisement boards in Kendal Regency. Both previous studies used data in the form of outdoor advertisements in the form of billboards installed in a city or district, while this study used the broader data such as billboards, banners and Videotron. The findings of both also prove that compounding is the type of word formation most often found in advertisements. This present research supports the findings that compounding is the most often found in advertisements. Moreover, this study also explains how the process of word formation is and what hidden information is found in the words in the advertisements, so people can find out the meaning of the new word.

This present study, to some extent, has contributed to the development of previous studies on the word-formation process in advertisements to provide knowledge to the public about how a word can be formed and how it is formed. It is inseparable from hidden information or hidden messages behind the meaning of a word. It may take several topics for further research, especially those related to word formation in advertisements and other objects such as slang words that continuously

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