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The study aims to investigate the translation techniques used in translating hedges from the original novel entitled *Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone* into its Indonesian version entitled *Harry Potter dan Batu Bertuah* and examine the translation's equivalence. Hedges play a crucial role in language by expressing uncertainty, politeness, or probability, making their accurate translation crucial in preserving the author's intended meaning. This study seeks to identify the translation techniques applied and determine whether the resulting translation achieves formal or dynamic equivalence.

This study employed a qualitative descriptive approach to examine hedges in the source text (ST) and target text (TT). A textual analysis method was used to analyze the sentences containing hedges in the original English version and its Indonesian translation. The data were collected by identifying hedges based on Lakoff's theory (1973). The analysis is based on the translation techniques proposed by Molina and Albir (2002). The analysis also applies the concept of equivalence from Nida and Taber (1969) to assess the equivalence achieved in translating the source text into the target text.

This study reveals that three main translation techniques—established equivalent, modulation, and reduction—are applied in translating hedges. The established equivalent technique tends to achieve formal equivalence by preserving the linguistic structure and meaning of the original text. Meanwhile, modulation and reduction often result in dynamic equivalence, allowing the translation to sound more natural and align with Indonesian linguistic norms. This study highlights the translator's strategic choices in balancing accuracy and readability. While formal equivalence retains the original text's structure, dynamic equivalence enhances fluency and comprehension for the target text reader.

**Keywords:** hedges, translation techniques, equivalence, Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone, *Harry Potter dan Batu Bertuah*

## ABSTRAK

Putri, A.S.D.S. 2025. *Teknik Penerjemahan Hedges dalam Novel Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone* karya J.K. Rowling. Program Studi Sastra Inggris, Fakultas Adab dan Humaniora, UIN Sunan Ampel Surabaya. Pembimbing: (I) Tristy Kartika Fi'aunillah, M.A., (II) Prof. Dr. A. Dzo'ul Milal, M.Pd.

Penelitian ini bertujuan untuk menyelidiki teknik penerjemahan yang digunakan dalam menerjemahkan *hedges* dari *Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone* ke dalam versi bahasa Indonesia berjudul *Harry Potter dan Batu Bertuah* dan mengkaji kesepadan terjemahan tersebut. *Hedges* memainkan peran penting dalam bahasa dengan mengekspresikan ketidakpastian, kesopanan, atau probabilitas, sehingga terjemahan yang akurat menjadi penting dalam mempertahankan makna yang dimaksudkan penulis. Penelitian ini berupaya mengidentifikasi teknik penerjemahan yang diterapkan dan menentukan apakah terjemahan yang dihasilkan mencapai kesepadan formal atau dinamis.

Penelitian ini menggunakan pendekatan deskriptif kualitatif untuk mengkaji *hedges* dalam teks sumber (Tsu) dan teks sasaran (Tsa). Metode analisis tekstual digunakan untuk menganalisis kalimat yang mengandung *hedges* dalam versi asli bahasa Inggris dan terjemahannya dalam bahasa Indonesia. Data dikumpulkan dengan mengidentifikasi *hedges* berdasarkan teori Lakoff (1973). Analisis ini didasarkan pada teknik penerjemahan yang diusulkan oleh Molina dan Albir (2002). Analisis ini juga menerapkan konsep kesepadan dari Nida dan Taber (1969) untuk menilai kesepadan yang dicapai dalam menerjemahkan teks sumber ke dalam teks sasaran.

Hasil studi ini mengungkap bahwa tiga teknik penerjemahan utama—padanan lazim, modulasi, dan reduksi—diterapkan dalam menerjemahkan *hedges*. Teknik padanan lazim cenderung mencapai padanan formal dengan mempertahankan struktur linguistik dan makna teks sumber. Sementara itu, modulasi dan reduksi sering kali menghasilkan padanan dinamis, yang memungkinkan terjemahan terdengar lebih alami dan selaras dengan norma linguistik Indonesia. Studi ini menyoroti pilihan strategis penerjemah dalam menyeimbangkan akurasi dan keterbacaan. Sementara padanan formal mempertahankan struktur teks sumber, padanan dinamis meningkatkan kelancaran dan pemahaman bagi pembaca teks target.

**Kata Kunci:** *hedges*, teknik penerjemahan, kesepadan, *Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone*, Harry Potter dan Batu Bertuah

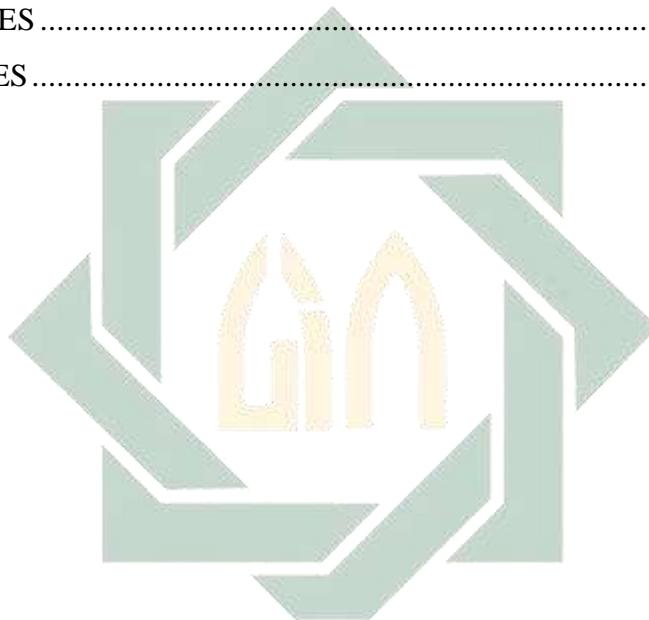
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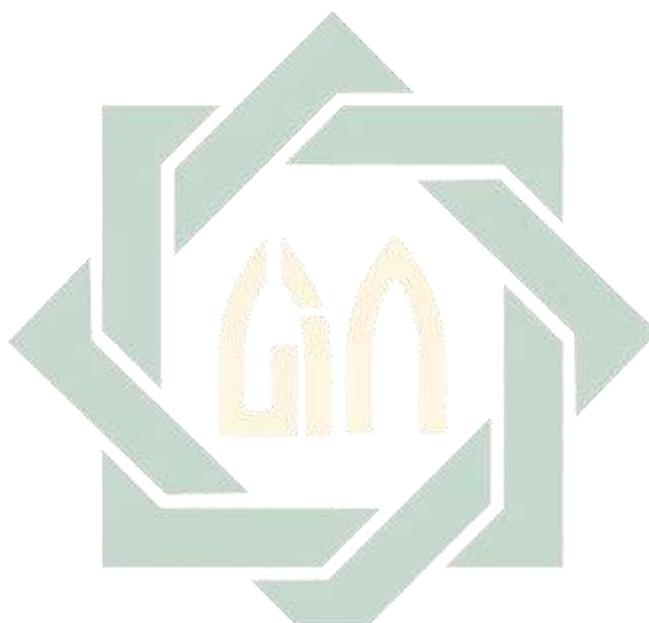
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