

ABSTRACT

Nadia Fitri Sumirat (1209503121): Swearwords in *Ted* Movie: Their Classifications and Reasons.

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Language is one of tools to show expression, such as anger, happiness, or surprised. Some people consider that swearwords is an appropriate language to show those expressions. It can be said that swearwords has been accepted by society. Thereby, there are some questions in this research, they are: 1) What classifications of swearwords are found in *Ted* movie? 2) What reasons do the characters provide in using swearword in *Ted* movie?

The researcher used Hughes's theory about classifications in supporting the findings relating to swearwords found in *Ted* movie. Besides that, to support the findings about reasons for swearing, the researcher used Hughes's and Jay's theories focusing on reasoning for anger, shock, and happy reason.

To answer the research questions, the researcher used qualitative method. This method used by identifying the classifications of swearword and describe the reasons for swearing. The data of this research are taken from *Ted* movie written by Seth Macfarlane. The researcher then collected, analyzed, and discussed the data.

The results showed that 39 swearwords are found in *Ted* movie which are classified into 7 classifications. They are religion (11 words), genitalia (7 words), anatomy (3 words), excretion (2 words), stupidity (7 words), animal (1 word), and general swearword (8 words). The researcher also found the reasons for swearing used by characters, they are: swearing for anger reason (fuck, what the hell), swearing for shock reason (jesus, holy shit), swearing for happy reason (shit), swearing for doing something (ass, rape), and swearing for something or somebody (bang, bitch).

Based on the findings above, the researcher concluded that religion term is the most dominant classification with 11 words or 28.2% and the least one is animal term (1 word or 2.6%). Meanwhile swearing in *Ted* movie happened not only for angry or shock but for happy reason as well.

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