

CHAPTER I

INTRODUCTION

1.1 Background of the Research

Al-Qur'an was revealed by Allah gradually through to Gabriel be used as a living guide for Moslems. Aiming that human success in becoming caliph on the earth according to the will of God as their Creator. This is one manifestation of Allah's love for humans.

In addition to being used as a guide for the life of humans, Allah calls Himself The Creator and The Omnipotent in the Qur'an, so that people do not worship other than Him. How humans can believe that Allah is omnipotent with sentences in the verses of the Qur'an, while the pronouns of Allah are different from each other which make may people confused. This is the various of Allah's pronouns in the Qur'an which have a certain meaning.

According to Nurhapituddin (2016:95), pronouns are words that can replace a noun or a word for a language. Pronouns serve to avoid repeating the use of the same noun or noun phrases mentioned earlier. Pronouns are important things in grammar which mean "hidden, closed, secret, and feeling". The mention of the name of Allah in the Qur'an is certainly found because it has a role to play in every letter and even verse. The Qur'an is the word of Allah, because many verses which certain pronoun of Allah.

In terms of words, Aarts (1982: 22) divide words into two word classes, namely open word class (major) and closed word class (minor). Pronouns such as I, you, she are part of the closed word class which will be the object of this research. Clark (1973: 14) says that pronouns are words that replace nouns, meaning the use of pronouns is to avoid repeating words in a sentence, person pronouns are words used to replace the

first, second, third person both singular and plural. People's pronouns can function as subjects and objects in sentences.

Some common people consider the Qur'an as the creation of the Prophet Muhammad, so with the many commands contained in the verses of the Qur'an, the people of the past (common people) and not the companions of the Prophet, considered that the Prophet Muhammad was his God with Qur'an was created. Especially with the various of Allah's pronoun in the Qur'an.

This false assumption was continuously rectified by the Prophet Muhammad through his preaching to the ummah. It is not easy for the Messenger of Allah to explain the meaning behind the Qur'an verses to his ummah. He must sort out the words used to explain everything to his ummah at that time so that it can be understood.

After that, the belief of Muslims that the Qur'an is the word of God which is absolutely true and still exists throughout the ages. The Qur'an speaks of various things which are the main points of God's teachings and are directly related to the lives of many people. The researcher used semantics theory to analyze the problem in this research. Semantics is the study of the meaning of words, phrases and sentences (Yule 1996: 114).

However, as the influence of Islam grows and spreads to the modern world, it is recognized that translation is an important element in introducing and explaining Islam to a wider audience (Ali : 2001). Responding to the above problems, it takes serious efforts from experts to provide an explanation of the problem as a first step to facilitate the people in understanding the teachings of the Qur'an. Moreover, when viewed from the linguistic aspect and the beauty of the strands of the verses it will be felt more difficult to understand. When the beauty of the strands is are viewed the verses it will be felt more difficult understand.

M. Quraish Shihab writes that it is not easy to explain the beauty of the language of the Qur'an for those who do not have a sense of language and knowledge of the grammar of the Qur'an that the main source of Islamic religious knowledge and a guide to life. The language of the Qur'an has been designed in such a way by Allah SWT that it can be accepted by human reason. However, a lot of studies need to be done so that there is no misunderstanding of the meaning, because the purpose of semantics is to propose exact meanings of words and phrases, and remove confusion, which might lead the readers to believe a word has many possible meanings (Aminuddin : 2016).

The researcher understands the verses in the Qur'an with through the Qur'an interpretation from Yusuf Ali. As he translated and interpreted the verses of the Quran directly into English without intermediaries from language translations other than Arabic. Where's he was a British-Indian barrister and scholar who wrote a number of books about Islam and his translation of the Qur'an into English is one of the most widely known and used in the English-speaking world.

The Holy Qur'an Text, Translation, and commentary by Abdullah Yusuf Ali is the book as we know like an interpretation of the meaning in the Qur'an. Therefore, this research explain are about "An Analysis Contextual Meaning of Various Allah's Pronoun in Surah Ya-Sin" with the object focus on verses of Surah Ya-Sin because it is surah which has been named The Heart of Qur'an.

1.2 Formulation of Problem

Based on the background above, some common people consider the Qur'an to be the creation of the Prophet Muhammad, so with the many commands contained in the verses of the Qur'an, the people of the past (common people) and beyond of except the companions of the Prophet, considered the Prophet Muhammad is the God who created the Qur'an. Especially with the various of Allah's pronoun in the verses of

Surah Ya-Sin. The problem of research is to know various pronoun of Allah. The research questions of this analysis are:

1. What are the contexts used in the various pronoun of Allah in verses of Surah Ya-Sin?
2. What the contextual meaning are found in the pronoun of Allah in verses of Surah Ya-Sin?

1.3 Purpose of the Research

Based on formulation of problem above, the purposes underlying this research are:

- a. To describe the contexts used in various pronoun of Allah in verses of Surah Ya-Sin
- b. To describe the contextual meaning are found in the contexts various pronoun of Allah in verses of Surah Ya-sin

1.4 Significance of Research

The result of the research are expected to give contribution to the theoretical and practical uses of language. This research would also be a review on the Pronoun of Allah in Verses of Surah Ya-Sin, and the other of significance from this research proposal as follows:

- a. Theoretically, the results of the study are expected to enrich pronoun and semantic understanding and learning.
- b. Practically, the results of the study will be useful for The Lecturer of English Literature, student of English Literature, the Moslem, other reading, and other researcher.

Thus, the significance of this research is intended to make the function various Pronoun of Allah in verses of Surah Ya-Sin, and the researcher wants to know the contextual meaning in the Allah's pronoun.

1.5 Conceptual Framework

In this research, the researcher will examine the various pronoun of Allah in Surah Ya-Sin. The researcher uses Yusuf Ali's work because he wrote his work directly using English to make it easier for the author to research this research. Yusuf Ali's *The Holy Qur'an Text, Translation, and Commentary* is a book of translation and of a Qur'an exegeses written by Abdullah Yusuf Ali. This book becomes popular since it not only uses international language (English), but also possesses its own characteristics which make it different from other books of exegeses. The Holy Qur'an is so dominant in its sufistical commentary that it employs esoteric hermeneutics over the symbols existing in the Qur'an. In addition, this book employs lexical, grammatical, contextual, and social-cultural meanings that convey message that the interpretation depends on the standard language of the Qur'an. Abdullah Yusuf Ali obey does not the literal meanings of the verses, but he puts stronger emphases on its spiritual meanings.

Pronoun is part of part of speech. Pronouns are used as noun pronouns (people and objects). Noun can only be replaced by using Pronoun. The use of this pronoun is to avoid repeating the name or object, so that using a pronoun will be shorter. Pronouns function as subject, object, subject preposition, and complement.

The types of pronouns are divided into seven according to Nurhapituddin in his book including personal pronoun, demonstrative pronoun, interrogative pronoun, indefinite pronoun, and relative pronoun. Since in this study the author examines various Allah's pronouns in the Qur'an, the pronoun used is a personal pronoun.

1.6 Research problem

In this research, the researcher will focus to the various pronoun of Allah in Surah Ya-Sin. The first question is required the researcher to search a list various pronoun of Allah on the verses Surah Ya-Sin. Pronoun is word that can replace a noun or a word for a language. Pronouns serve to avoid repeating the use of the same noun or noun phrases mentioned earlier (Nurhapituddin : 95). Pronouns are important things in grammar which mean "hidden, closed, secret, and feeling".

Pronouns are divided to seven kinds, there are personal pronoun, possessive pronoun, reflexive pronoun, demonstrative pronoun, interrogative pronoun, indefinite pronoun, and relative pronoun. In the verses of Surah Ya-Sin, various pronoun of Allah are I, Me, We, Us, He, His and Him.

The second questions is to explain the contextual meaning of Allah's pronoun in verses of Surah Ya-Sin. To find out the meaning of various Pronoun of Allah with use the semantic theory approach. The explanation uses contextual meaning with reference to Yusuf Ali's translation and commentary the Holy Qur'an and the other.

In semantics analysis, there is always an attempt to focus on what the words conventionally mean, rather than on what a speaker might want the words to mean on a particular occasion. This technical approach to meaning emphasizes the objective and the general. It avoids the subjective and the local. Linguistic semantics deals with the conventional meaning conveyed by the use of words and sentences of a language (Yule 1996: 114).

The purpose of semantics is to propose exact meanings of words and phrases, and remove confusion, which might lead the readers to believe a word has many possible meanings. It makes a relationship between a word and the sentence through their meanings. Besides, semantics enable the readers to explore a sense of the meaning because, if we remove or change the place of a single word from the sentence, it will

change the entire meaning, or else the sentence will become anomalous. Hence, the sense relation inside a sentence is very important, as a single word does not carry any sense or meaning. (Aminuddin : 2016).

Therefore, in some verses of the Qur'an, Allah calls himself with the pronoun "We". The pronoun "We" show that Allah created everything sometimes through intermediated. For example, Allah uses pronouns "We" in the verse descending from the Qur'an, the pronoun "We" means Allah and The Angel Gabriel. Allah conveyed his revelation to The Prophet Muhammad through the angel Gabriel. In accordance with semantic theory, pronouns "We" mean in each verse have different meanings, then with contextual meaning, researchers will uncover the hidden meaning behind the various Pronoun of Allah.

1.7 Previews Studies

There are some previous research to this topic. The first, the research is titled *Penggunaan Lafadz Nahnu sebagai Kata Ganti Allah dalam Al-Qur'an* by Zulkarnaen 14530041 from the State Islamic University of Sunan Kalijaga Yogyakarta. Explain that The mention of the name Allah in the Qur'an is certainly found because it has a role to play in every letter and even verse. The Qur'an, which is the Kalam of Allah, is reasonable if there are many verses that discuss it. For example, there are verses about the power of God, also verses that discuss about creation, power, supremacy and so forth. The people of Islam generally have the view that God is the Almighty and single God, this is in accordance with the word of God in the Qur'an Al-Ikhlâs verse one:

قل هو الله احد means Say: He is God, the Almighty

Because there are many references to the name of Allah in the Qur'an and to shorten its use, the Qur'an uses pronouns in these verses. The pronoun is in the form of Me, Us, and other pronouns".

The second, the research is titled Analisis Linguistik dalam Al-Qur'an (Study Semantik Terhadap Q.S Al-Alaq) by Baiq Radotussolihah 80400214002 from State Islamic University Alaudin Makassar. She explain that The Qur'an is the main source of Islamic religious knowledge and is a guide to life. The Qur'an language has been designed in such a way by Allah can be accepted by human reason. But still need a lot conducted an assessment so that there is no misunderstanding on the meaning, wrong one path used is to use a linguistic approach. Wrong one branch of linguistics to understand the meanings contained in The Qur'an is semantic. According Mahmud Ayoub's opinion, "that the basis of the uniqueness of Qur'an is the most widely accepted is its linguistic and aesthetic character; fluency and rhetorical beauty, accuracy, efficiency and smoothness".

The third, the research is "The person pronouns in Sidney Seldon's" The Start Shine Down "novel. In his research he used Frank's theory and he found the form of pronouns such as singular first pronoun I and plural We, singular plural singular you, said people the third is singular she, he, it and its function as subject and object.

The fourth, the research is Analysis of Pronoun Reference in Edgar Allan Poe's Short Stories by Dindin Wahyudin (99101135) from State Islamic University Sunan Gunung Djati Bandung. He explain that The type of pronoun reference can be categorized globally into three types: personal pronoun, demonstrative pronoun, and adjective pronoun. The three types of pronoun simultaneously from literary discourse embodied in Edgar Allan Poe's short stories. The personal pronoun in detail, is divided into three case, nominative case, objective case, and possessive case. All of those are applied to the literary work-short stories textually in pursuance of Edgar Allah Poe's authority. The demonstrative pronoun portrays the most significant role of constructing narrative text of the short stories. The adjective pronoun is also found in the text of short stories, even though its quantity is very little. But, the relative pronoun may not be separated from all that, because it takes crucial part of the narrative text; and such

type is detected more in it. As the text of short stories has many complex sentences, the role of relative pronoun should not be neglected in understanding its significance in terms of the story offered by Poe to analyze.

