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## **ABSTRAK**

*Penelitian ini adalah fenomena bahasa yang terjadi dalam sosial media khususnya Instagram. Pengguna instagram sering melakukan tindakan mengunggah gambar dan video dengan menambahkan teks dibagian bawah dan dalam bahasa inggris disebut dengan ‘Caption’. Penggunaan caption tersebut mengisyaratkan gaya bahasa anak muda yang disingkat-singkat dan bersifat praktis. Gaya bahasa tersebut diteliti dan terdapat penggunaan slang. Tujuan penelitian ini adalah untuk mengetahui susunan dan arti bahasa slang serta alasan penggunaan bahasa slang yang terdapat pada caption yang digunakan oleh remaja atau orang dewasa di Amerika pada Instagram. Berkaitan dengan fenomena tersebut, maka peneliti tertarik untuk membahas tentang fenomena kata-kata slang yang disingkat yang ditemukan dalam caption pada media sosial Instagram. Lebih lanjut, penelitian ini merupakan penelitian yang menggunakan metode deskriptif kualitatif. Data tersebut diambil dari akun media social Instagram orang Amerika secara acak dalam kurun waktu tertentu. Data dikumpulkan oleh peneliti selama dua bulan sejak pertengahan Maret sampai pertengahan Mei. Data-data yang dikumpulkan adalah data yang bersifat kualitatif. Metode pengumpulan data yang digunakan dalam penelitian ini adalah Metode Simak dan Catat. Metode analisis data yang digunakan dalam penelitian ini adalah metode padan. Metode penyajian data yang digunakan dalam penelitian ini adalah metode informal. Merujuk pada ketiga metode tersebut, peneliti menggunakan teori Sudaryanto. Berdasarkan hasil penelitian, dapat disimpulkan bahwa data yang ditemukan tersebut mengandung penggunaan slang dan beserta susunannya didalam caption orang Amerika pada Instagram.*

**Kata Kunci:** Bahasa Slang, Singkatan, Caption.

## **ABSTRACT**

This research is a study of language phenomena that occurs in social media, especially Instagram. Instagram users often take action to upload images and videos by adding text at the bottom and in English called 'Caption'. The use of the caption implies a youth style that is abbreviated and practical. The language style is researched and there is the use of slang. The purpose of this study was to find out the composition and meaning of slang and the reason for using slang language found in the caption used by teenagers or adults in America on Instagram. Regarding this phenomenon, the researchers are interested in discussing the phenomenon of abbreviated slang words found in the caption on Instagram social media. Furthermore, this study is a study that uses qualitative descriptive methods. The data is taken from random Instagram social media accounts in a certain period of time. Data was collected by researchers for two months from mid-March to mid-May. The data collected is qualitative data. The data collection method used in this research is the Record and Record Method. The data analysis method used in this research is the 'Padan' method. The data presentation method used in this study is an informal method. Referring to the three methods, the researcher used the Sudaryanto theory. Based on the results of the study, it can be concluded that the data found contains the use of slang and its composition in the American caption on Instagram.

Keywords: Slang words, Abbreviation, Caption.

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