

CHAPTER I

INTRODUCTION

1.1 Background of the Research

Language is a tool of people to communicate each other. People use language in different ways. In daily activities, people use language to express reactions, thoughts, and feelings. Some people tend to use language that contains certain words in certain circumstances. People use words that can describes what they feel. One of these word is swear word.

Swear words are rude words which people used to express their feeling. For example, when they have anger feeling, people often utter swear words that tend to be rude and cause the others feel insluted. They only know they use their language to express their feeling. Crystal (2003:173) stated that “swear word is an outburst, an explotion which gives relief to surgeos of emotional energy. It is a subtitute for an aggresive bodily response, and can be aimed either at people or object”. It means that people utter swear words to express their emotive feeling.

Therefore, swear words are used in certain circumstances, because it is related to the words that are not appropriate to utter in formal situations. It describes some words not worth to utter, such as f*ck, b*tch, motherf*cker, sh*t, etc. Swear words didn't only found in everyday life, but the phenomenon of using swear words is also found in a movie, such as Death Race movie.

Death Race is a famous American action movie released in 2008. The movie was directed by Paul W.S. Anderson. The researcher chooses Death Race movie

because the movie is about prisoners life which filled of violence both in words and behavior. One of the word that uttered by character is swear word. For example :

Pachenko : Let me go, man. I'll do anything

Jensen : You're going to die here.

Pachenko : **F*ck you!**

(Death Race movie... 01.03.37)



The utterances above happened when Pachenko was fighting with Jensen Ames in the garage. Pachenko told to Jensen Ames that he was person who killed his wife. He also told that it because Hennessey want it. It made Jensen very angry and smashing Pachenko till he can't move. Pachenko asked to Jensen Ames for let him go, but Jensen Ames refused it and still wants to kill him. Feeling pressure Pachenko uttered "fuck" to Jensen.

The word "fuck" spoken by Pachenko is a swear word. This word refers to abusively type. According to Pinker (2007) abusively type refer to words that directed utter toward someone else in a derogatory manner whether in an argument, heated debate or just plain rude behavior and is used for the abuse, intimidation or insulting of other. It means the word "f*ck" that uttered by Pachenko described an expression that insulting Jensen. The function of "fuck" is abusive function. Andersson and Hirsch (1985) stated abusive function used intentionally to hurt, insults, reviles, curses, threatens, or slanders other. Here, Pachenko utter "f*ck to curse Jensen Ames.

The research of swear words has been conducted by some previous researches. Kristiano and Ardi (2018) examined swear word in a movie entitled iho.ojhuBad Boys II based on semantic approach. They conducted theory proposed by Jay (2009). The result showed that nine semantic referents of swear words used in the movie. There was sexual references, profane or blasphemous, scatological and disgusting objects, animal names, ethnic-racial-gender slurs, psychological-physical-social deviations, ancestral allusions, substandard vulgar terms, and offensive slang.

Another previous research was conducted by Wiles (2019). She investigated translating swear and curse words from Indonesian literature into english entitled Bumi Manusia. She conducted theories proposed by Hervey S.G.J and I.Higgins (1992). The result found new strategies on the translation. It showed six strategies, they were: by using literal form, substitute the swear word from the target language and add exclamation mark to deliver emotive meaning, add a lexical

emphasis, use completely different form of swear word, using animal names, and swear word in a form of onomatopoeia.

From the description above, the topic of swear words is existing in the use of language in certain situations. In this research, the researcher focus on swear words by using different object. The researcher investigates swear words in Death Race movie, because swear word is not only found in people's conversation in daily life but also found in the dialogue of a movie that spoken by the character. Swear word has a large impact to other people, such as feel insulted and shocking effect. Thus, it becomes an important because not all people know what the types and functions are in the use of swear words in Death Race movie. Therefore, the reasearch on swear words in a movie needs to be done.

1.2 Identification of the Problem

From the background above, there are some problems of interest to be discussed in this study. The problems are:

1. The types of swear words in Death Race movie
2. The functions of using swear words in Death Race movie.
3. The reasons of used swear words in Death Race movie
4. The factor that influenced in used of swear words in Death Race movie

1.3 Limitation of the Problem

From the identification of the problem above, there are limitations of the problem :

1. The types of swear words in Death Race movie
2. The functions of using swear words in Death Race movie.

1.4 Formulation of the Problem

1. What are the types of swear words in Death Race movie?
2. What are the functions of using swear words in Death Race movie?

1.5 Objective of the Research

From the formulation of the problem, the research focuses as below :

1. To describe the types of swear words that used in Death Race movie
2. To describe the functions of using swear words that used in Death Race movie

1.6 Significance of the Research

The result of this study is expected to give benefits both theoretically and practically as follows :

1. Theoretically

The result of this research theoretically can be used as complementary references in the sociolinguistics study, especially about swear words. This research gives information for the reader what are types and functions of swear words. Especially, to increase knowledge about the types and functions of used swear words for the next researcher.

2. Practically

Hopefully, this research can help the readers to know more about swear words. This research increase knowledge the readers about the types and functions of used swear words that can be found in daily life, especially in a movie. It also can minimize the use of swear words in daily

conversation The result of this research can be applied to other researchers in the same field.

1.7 Definition of Key Terms

To avoid misunderstanding in this study, it is necessary to explain some terminologies related to this research.

Movie	a film shown in a cinema or on television and often telling a story (Dictionary, n.d.)
Sociolinguistics	a part of linguistics study which focuses on language which is dealing with social and cultural phenomenon in one society (Yule, 2010).
Swear words	is an outburst, an explosion which gives relief to surges of emotional energy (Crystal (2003)