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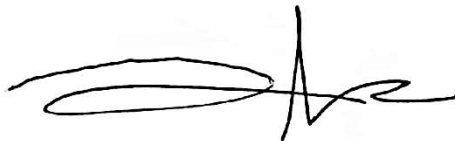
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## ABSTRAK

*Penelitian ini mengeksplorasi tindak tutur komisif dalam komunikasi antarpribadi menggunakan film *Free Guy* (2021) sebagai sumber data utama. Tindak tutur komisif, yang dikategorikan oleh Searle dan Vanderveken, mencakup berbagai komitmen dan janji yang dibuat dalam dialog. Fungsi dari tindak tutur komisif ini, sebagaimana didefinisikan oleh Leech, termasuk interaksi kolaboratif dan konvivial. Penelitian ini bertujuan untuk mengidentifikasi tindak-tindak tersebut dalam film dan menganalisis fungsi-fungsi mereka dalam interaksi karakter. Metode kualitatif, termasuk teknik observasional, digunakan untuk pengumpulan data, menangkap dialog di mana tindak tutur komisif terjadi. Data dianalisis menggunakan metode identitas pragmatis, memeriksa bagaimana tindak-tindak ini mencerminkan niat komunikatif dan dinamika sosial karakter. Hasil penelitian menunjukkan berbagai jenis tindak tutur komisif, dengan tiga belas dari tujuh belas jenis diidentifikasi, termasuk berjanji, menawarkan, menerima, berkomitmen, mengancam, bersumpah, menyetujui, menolak, meyakinkan, menjamin, mengontrak, dan menawar. Tindak menawarkan cukup sering terjadi, menggambarkan situasi di mana karakter memberikan bantuan, sumber daya, atau peluang kepada orang lain. Analisis fungsi mengungkapkan fokus utama pada interaksi kolaboratif, di mana karakter bekerja sama untuk mencapai tujuan bersama atau manfaat mutual. Fungsi kolaboratif ini sering memfasilitasi perkembangan plot dan pengembangan karakter, menekankan tema kerja tim dan kerjasama dalam narasi. Penelitian ini memberikan wawasan tentang bagaimana tindak tutur komisif berkontribusi pada dinamika karakter dan struktur naratif dalam dialog sinematik, menyoroti peran mereka dalam membentuk hubungan interpersonal dan perkembangan plot dalam film *Free Guy*.*

*Kata kunci: komisif, pragmatik, tuturan*

## ABSTRACT

This study explored commissive acts in interpersonal communication using the movie *Free Guy* (2021) as its primary data source. Commissive acts, categorized by Searle and Vanderveken, encompass various commitments and promises made in dialogue. The functions of these commissive acts, as defined by Leech, include collaborative, and convivial interactions. The research aimed to identify these types within the film and analyze their functions in character interactions. Qualitative methods, including observational techniques, were employed for data collection, capturing dialogues where commissive acts occurred. The data underwent analysis using the pragmatic identity method, examining how these acts reflected the characters' communicative intentions and social dynamics. Results indicated a diverse range of commissive acts, with thirteen of the seventeen types identified, including promising, offering, accepting, committing, threatening, vowing, swearing, consenting, refusing, assuring, guaranteeing, contracting, and bidding. Offering acts were notably frequent, illustrating instances where characters extended help, resources, or opportunities to others. The analysis of functions revealed a predominant focus on collaborative interactions, where characters worked together towards common goals or mutual benefits. This collaborative function often facilitated plot advancement and character development, emphasizing themes of teamwork and cooperation within the narrative. The study provided insights into how commissive acts contributed to character dynamics and narrative structure in cinematic dialogue, underscoring their role in shaping interpersonal relationships and plot development in the *Free Guy* movie.

Keywords: commissive, pragmatic, utterance

## **MOTTO AND DEDICATION**

### **MOTTO**

**“Call to me and I will answer you and show you great and mighty things,  
which you don’t know. But blessed is the one who trusts in the Lord, whose  
confidence is in Him.”**

**(Jeremiah 17:7 & 33:3)**

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