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Clustering technique is the technique of diagramming or mapping it can be said that the way in developing the idea became sub topic and linked with lines and circles. The aimed of this study was to know the students' writing descriptive text ability improve by using the clustering technique. This study was conducted in SMA PAB 4 Sampali because the condition of students' ability. This research used the CAR (Classroom Action Research) method which is this method requires the author to apply it directly to students in the class in order to achieve what is the purpose of this research that is in improving students' writing ability at descriptive text. The subject of this research is the students of senior high school tenth grade.

The results of the research showed that there is the improvement to the students' after applying the clustering technique. The data collected from the test and interview to the teacher. The writer also provided the observation list as the reflection during the teaching and learning activities. From the data collected from the first pre-test, students did not give the satisfying results. After students given the treatment, students got the improvement from the pre-test until the cycle 2 (post-test 2). 97% of percentages passing score was the last test conducted and reached the goal of this research.



Keywords: Clustering Technique, Descriptive Text, and Writing Ability.

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