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This research aimed to find out the effect of using Read, Ask, and Paraphrase strategy on students’ reading comprehension. This study was conducted by using experimental research. The population of this research was the students of the eighth grade of MTs. Al-Washliyah Tembung. The sample was 80 students of two classes chosen by using cluster random sampling. They were divided into two groups, 40 students in experimental group and 40 students in control group. The experimental group was taught by using RAP strategy while the control group was taught by using conventional method. The instrument for collecting data was 20 items of multiple choice tests. It was given in pre-test and post-test. After collecting the data, then the researcher analyzed the data by using t-test formula. The finding shown that the t-observe was 4.099 and t-table 1.990 at the level of significance (α = 0.05) and the degree of freedom (df) 78. It means that t-observe is higher than t-table (4.099 > 1.990; α = 0.05). Therefore, the null hypothesis (H₀) is rejected and the alternative hypothesis (Hₐ) is accepted. It proven that there was a significant effect of using RAP strategy on students’ reading comprehension of narrative text.
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CHAPTER I
INTRODUCTION

A. The Background of the Study

English is a very important language and it is used as an international
language. In Indonesia, English is taught as a foreign language and as an
important subject. Mastering the language is compulsorily to the students. The
students are expected to have the language and master them.

In learning English, students are expected to be able to master all language
skills of English; listening, speaking, reading, and writing. Reading as the one of
the language skills that becomes a more important and it is very necessary in
teaching learning process. Reading habits can increase the students’ achievement.
The students need reading skill to get information from books, magazines, novels,
theses, and internet. Therefore, the need for reading and retrieving the information
from the various texts above seems very important.

Reading is the ability to draw meaning from the printed page and interpret
this information appropriately.\(^1\) It means that in reading the text, comprehension is
needed to know the meaning of the text. The message of the text to be imposed in
the written form is the most important element that the students must recognize,
because the primary purpose of reading is to know the thoughts expressed in the
printed material.

Reading for meaning is also called reading comprehension. Therefore,
reading with comprehension is only a way for the students to arrive at what they

\(^1\) W. Grabe and Stoller F.L, (2002), *Teaching and Researching Reading*, England:
want to know from the reading material. Comprehension is a really important in reading skill. The ability of someone to comprehend is closely related to one’s background knowledge.

Since the reading comprehension is very important, the teacher attempts to help the students to be able to read and comprehend the text. The students have to be able to discover the meaning which is the purpose of the text. The students need to construct the meaning of the text by analyzing, learning, and organizing the information that is logic to the students.

In teaching reading skill, the teachers have to be able to help the students to read and comprehend the text. The teacher needs to lead the students to know the idea of the text, the purpose of the text, and how the sentences are connected each other in order to comprehend the content of the text.

In reality, most teachers taught reading skill with conventional method, they just asked the students to read the text and answer the questions from the text. This teaching method makes the condition of the class boring. So, the teacher needs to make the students to be more active in comprehending the text. Many students had difficulties to understand the text well. So many students are hard to get the idea or meaning of the text. They were unable to understand the idea and purpose of the text because they were unable to comprehend the text and had less vocabulary to support them in comprehending the text. As the result, the students were unable to answer the questions at the end of the chapter. Therefore, they had low score in reading.

Most teachers in doing the conventional method itself the teachers gave the basic knowledge, asked the students to read the text, answered the questions
from the text or the teacher, and then corrected the answers. This situation did not give a good mood in teaching learning activity. The students were bored and the teacher could not give some motivations to the students. This poor reading strategy makes the students poor understanding of reading comprehension.

The strategy of teaching English is needed in order to improve the students’ skills especially in reading skill. So, the teacher of English should select the suitable strategy in teaching learning process. Therefore, to make the teaching learning process interesting and to reach the purpose of the teaching learning process, the teacher needs a special strategy. The purpose of using a special strategy are to make the students easy to learn, understand the lesson, and also make the teaching learning process more effective and make the students more active.

There are many strategies to interact and improve the achievement of student’s reading comprehension. One of them is Read, Ask, and Paraphrase (RAP) strategy. This strategy can improve the reading comprehension of students with and without disabilities and is extremely flexible.²

In comprehending the text using RAP strategy, the students not only know to comprehend but also help the students to be more active and critics in comprehending the text. This strategy has some procedures when it is applied in the classroom. Firstly, the students will ask to read the text. The next step involves the students asking him/herself what the main idea of the paragraph is. The

students should also identify details supporting the main idea. Finally, the information is then paraphrased into the student’s own words.

To support the paraphrasing of the text through the RAP strategy, students are also taught to use synonyms for words. Paraphrasing gave students the opportunity to learn to link the new concepts, often in unfamiliar relationships and to talk about the new ideas.

The usage of RAP strategy is not general in Indonesia. So, that is one of the reasons why the writer wants to conduct this study. The implementation of RAP strategy will be perceived to see if it increases the students’ comprehension. However, in the context of teaching reading comprehension the effectiveness of the evidence above need to be found. To gain the evidence, the research needs to be conducted.

Based on the description above, the writer is interested to conduct a simple research under the title, “The Effect of Read, Ask, Paraphrase (RAP) Strategy on Students’ Comprehension in Reading Narrative Text at the Eighth Grade of MTs Alwashliyah Tembung.

B. The Identification of the Study

1. The teacher teaches a reading skill to the students with conventional method, but the students still have difficulties to understand the text.
2. The teacher teaches a reading skill to the students with conventional method, but the students still have less vocabulary to support them in comprehending the text.
3. The teacher teaches a reading skill with conventional method, but the strategy does not effective in teaching reading process.

C. The Limitation of the Study

To clarify the problem of study, the problem of this research is focused mainly on using Read, Ask, Paraphrase (RAP) Strategy on Students’ Comprehension in Reading Narrative Text At the Eighth Grade of MTs. Alwashliyah Tembung.

D. The Formulation of the Study

Dealing with the background of the study, the writer formulated the problem as follow: “Does Read, Ask, and Paraphrase (RAP) strategy significantly effect the students’ comprehension in reading narrative text?”

E. The Aim of the Study

Considering to the formulation of the study previously stated, so the objective of the study is to know the significant effect of using RAP strategy on the students’ comprehension in reading narrative text.

F. The Significance of the Study

The results of the study are expected to have significant contribution for the following individuals and institutions:

1. The English teachers, to increase the teaching ability to be more creative in teaching reading comprehension.
2. The students, to give the information of reading comprehension strategy which can increase their ability in comprehending the text.

3. The other researchers, to enlarge the understanding of improving reading skill and provide reference for further study research, especially in reading comprehension.
CHAPTER II
THEORITICAL REVIEW

A. Theoretical Framework

1. Definition of Reading

Reading is the ability to draw meaning from the printed page and interpret this information appropriately.\textsuperscript{3} It means that without comprehending and interpreting the meaning of the text, the reading itself is useless.

Reading is a skill which must be develop, and can only be developed, by means of extensive and continual practice.\textsuperscript{4}

Deborah states Reading is an active process that depends on both author’s ability to convey meaning using words and your ability to create meaning from them. To read successfully, you need to constantly connect what you already know about the information to the words the author has written.\textsuperscript{5}

Discussing about reading, it also appropriate to what Allah says in holy Qur’an at Al-Alaq verse 1-5 as follows:

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\caption{Verse 1-5 of Al-Alaq in the Holy Qur’an.}
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\textsuperscript{4} Sukirah Kustaryo, (1988), \textit{Reading Techniques for College Students}, Jakarta: Departemen Pendidikan dan Kebudayaan, p.13
Meaning: 1. Read! In the Name of your Lord, Who has created (all that exists), 2. Has created man from a clot (a piece of thick coagulated blood). 3. Read! And your Lord is the Most Generous, 4. Who has taught (the writing) by the pen [the first person to write was Prophet Idrees (Enoch)], 5. Has taught man that which he knew not.

From the verse above explained that, First, this Surah addresses the holy Prophet (S) and commands him to read or proclaim (the message). Then, it refers to the creation of Man out of a mere clot. Further, it refers to development of Man, who is taught from the bounty and by the Grace of Allah; the soul in him reaching out to knowledge sublime, and instrument of it, the sanctified Pen. Thereafter, it speaks about ungrateful Man, and that despite all the blessings and graciousness that Allah bestows on him, he rebels. Following this, it points to the painful chastisement of those who cause a hindrance on the road to guidance and righteous deeds. Then, the Surah ends with a command to prostation, and of drawing closer to Allah. Based on this explanation can concluded that this verse explain about the correlation history of Islam with reading, writing, and accounting.

2. Definition of Reading Comprehension

Reading comprehension as the process of simultaneously extracting and constructing meaning through interaction and involvement with written language. Otto states that reading comprehension is a multiplication affected

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6 http://www.noblequran.com/translation/
7 Catherine Snow, (2002), Reading for Understanding: Toward a R & D Program in Reading Comprehension, Pittsburgh: RAN, p.11
by various skills based on the statement. In comprehending text, reader has to find the main ideas that will determine the quality of their reading comprehension.⁸

Allan states that reading comprehension consists of the processes of constructing conceptual knowledge from a text through cognitive interaction and motivational involvement with the text.⁹

Comprehension entails three elements:

- The reader who is doing the comprehending
- The text that is to be comprehended
- The activity in which comprehension is apart.¹⁰

2.1 Process of Reading Comprehension

The comprehension process involves an understanding of words and how to those words are used to create meaning. It involves contextualizing, analyzing, synthesizing, and evaluating words, phrase, sentences, and longer passages during reading. It involves integrating prior experiences and knowledge of the word to construct meaning. The process also involves the ability to remember (short-term or long-term) what was read, for purposes of discussion or taking a test.¹¹

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⁸ Wayne Otto, Addison-Wesley, (1997), How to Teach Reading, Philippines, p.241
⁹ Allan Wigfield, (2004), Motivating Reading Comprehension: Concept-Oriented Reading Instruction, New York: Routledge, p.227
¹⁰ Ibid, Cathrine, p. 11
¹¹ Jeanne Shay Schumm, (2006), Reading Assessment and Instruction for All Learners, New York: The Guilford Press, p. 223
To achieve the goals, teacher should divide the reading activities into their interrelated stages, those are: pre-reading, while-reading, and post-reading activities.

1) Pre-reading activities

This phase of reading is intended to make learners be aware to the reason why they have to read the text. They need to see their background knowledge to encounter the text more easily.

2) While reading activities

The aim of this activity is to help the learners to develop their reading strategies or skill so that they can be effective and independent readers. By implicating this activity, learner should be flexible in their ways of reading which are appropriate to the text given. Students interact to the text by the help of their relevant background knowledge such as interaction will help the students to understand the writer’s purpose, to understand the text structure and to classify the content.

3) Post-reading activities

In this phase, learners are able to make a conclusion what the writer’s meant, to measure how far the learners understand about the reading text in the whilst reading, to investigate and measure how far the students extend their prior knowledge. In this case, teacher will probably organize some kind of follow up students’ task related to the text given.
2.2 Levels of Reading Comprehension

According to Shepherd a reader needs to know the four levels of comprehension skill namely: literal level, interpretive level, critical level, and creative level.

1) The Literal Level

Shepherd defines this level is the simplest level. It means that what the reader needs to do is to reproduce the facts as they are related by the author. The skills needed for this level understanding are noting factual data, sequence, chronology, and enumeration. To answer the question of this level, the students can state in a parrot-like manner what the author has written with little or no understanding.12

2) The Interpretive Level

This level requires the reader to go beyond the information given by the author. The reader is now required to see the significance of the data, to note various relationships such as cause and effect and relation of the part to the whole, to make comparisons, to draw conclusions and inferences and to make generalization. At this level, class discussion is vital for development of competence the comment and ideas of the students help development of competence. The comment and ideas of the students help develop each other’s interpretation.13

12 Ibid, Sukirah, p.188
13 Ibid, p.118
3) The Critical Level

At this level the student learns to evaluate and judge the information and the author’s presentation of it. Skills at this level are aimed toward evaluating the author’s bias, his qualification, his point of view, intent and truthfulness. Class discussion is valuable since the students need help in making evaluations and judgments. This standard may come from factual evidence, or from societies and from their own scale of values.\textsuperscript{14}

4) The Creative Level

This level requires the student’s involvement with the information presented as the reader used it to formulate or to rethink ideas of his own. Obviously, the reader is able to think creatively about the information which the reader has read. When the reader knows what the author has written. She or he has made interpretation to her/his purpose, and she/he has evaluated the pertinence of the information. Questioning at this level might consist of open-ended queries the student to include his own knowledge, views and values.\textsuperscript{15}

Relate to this study, the levels of reading comprehension are literal and interpretative level. The students are asked to understand the idea of the text oral directly and indirectly stated on the printed page.

\textsuperscript{14} Ibid, p.118-119

\textsuperscript{15} Ibid, p.119
3. **Strategy**

   In education, the strategy is defined as a plan, method, or series of activities designed to achieve a particular educational goal. According to Kemp (1995) explains that the learning strategy is a learning activity that must be done so that the teacher and student learning objectives can be achieved effectively and efficiently. In line with the above opinion Dick and Carey (1985) also mentions that learning strategies it is a substance and procedures of learning materials that are used together to inflict on student learning outcomes.

   There are two things we should look from the above understanding, first, learning strategy is a plan of action (set of activities) including the user of methods and utilization of various resources. This means that the preparation of a new strategy to the process of preparing the work plan has not come to act. Second, the strategy designed to achieve certain goals. That is, the direction of all decisions preparation of the strategy is the achievement of objectives. Thus, the preparation of the study, the use of various facilities and learning resources are all directed towards the achievement of objectives. Therefore, before determining the strategy needs to be formulated clear objectives that can be measured its success, since the purpose is the spirit in the implementation of a strategy.\(^\text{16}\)

Allah said in the Holy Qur’an in surah An-Nahl verse 125. It says:

 Meaning: “Invite (all) to the way of thy lord with wisdom and preaching; and argue with them in ways that are best and most gracious, for thy knowledge best, who have strayed from his path, and who receive guidance.”\(^{17}\) (Q.S. An-Nahl: 125)

From the verse above, Allah asked the human to give the lesson by wisdom, wisdom means the way by the right strategy. It can help the teacher to make teaching learning process run well.

4. The RAP Strategy

4.1 Definition of The RAP Strategy

RAP is a simple strategy that is easily incorporated into existing curriculum without taking time away from critical content instruction. This three-step strategy (read, ask, paraphrase) can improve the reading comprehension of students with and without disabilities and is extremely flexible. It can be used for elementary, middle, and high school students across many different content areas.

The strategy requires students to engage in reading materials through questioning and paraphrasing to increase their comprehension of

\(^{17}\) http://Alquran/english-Trans
the material. From the questioning and paraphrasing, students process information for better understanding of what they read. Studies using the RAP strategy (Schumaker et al., 1984) have shown it to be effective.\textsuperscript{18}

Students can wrap (RAP) the text ideas together by chunking and then putting what has been read into their own words.\textsuperscript{19}

William states that RAP is strategy for paraphrasing reading material that was presented in teaching.\textsuperscript{20}

4.2 The Procedure of RAP Strategy

The three-step strategy involves reading, asking questions, and paraphrasing.

a. Read

One paragraph of the text is read at a time. Reading may be done by the facilitator, but it is more effective if the student completes the reading. The student may read silently or aloud.

b. Ask Oneself What the Main Idea Is

The next step involves the reader asking him/herself what the main idea of the paragraph is. He/she should also identify details supporting the main idea.

c. Paraphrase

\textsuperscript{18} Jessica L. Hagaman, (2010), \textit{The “RAP” on Reading Comprehension}, Retrieved from \url{http://Theparaphrasingstrategy325Twebsite}, Accessed on December 12\textsuperscript{th} 2016.

\textsuperscript{19} Kathy Paterson, (2009), \textit{Text Me a Strategy}, U.S : Pembroke Publishers, p. 71

\textsuperscript{20} William N. Bender, (2008), \textit{Differentiating Instruction for students With Learning Disabilities: Best Teaching Practice for General and Special Educators}, USA : CORwin Press, p. 99
The information is then paraphrased into the reader’s own words and recorded on paper or audio tape. Written material from several paragraphs should be organized using outlines, word maps, matrixes, or other organizational tools.

To support the paraphrasing of the text through the RAP strategy, students are also taught to use synonyms for words. Paraphrasing gave students the opportunity to learn to link the new concepts, often in unfamiliar relationships and to talk about the new ideas. It taught them ways of talking about the ideas in the topic area and helped them retain the related ideas in short term memory. By the time paraphrasing was introduced through the RAP strategy, the student’s knowledge of synonym was increasing their vocabulary bank.

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<td>Obtain a commitment to learn and use the strategy.</td>
<td>Model the strategy Model the use of the RAP strategy using a think-aloud, demonstrating the &quot;hows&quot; and &quot;whys&quot; for each step.</td>
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<td>Model the strategy</td>
<td>Student memorizes the strategy steps. Automaticity and fluency of strategy steps frees attention for understanding of text.</td>
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*Note. SRSD = self-regulated strategy development model (Harris & Graham, 1996); RAP = Read-Ask-Paraphrase reading strategy (Schumaker, Dentón, & Deshler, 1984).*
5. Narrative Text

5.1 Definition of Narrative Text

A narrative text is a text amuse, entertain and deal with actual or vicarious experience in different ways. Narrative deal with problematic events which lead to a crisis or turning point of some kind, which in turn finds a resolution.\textsuperscript{21}

5.2 Function of Narrative Text

a. To tell about personal experiences, about other people’s lives and experiences, and about factual or historical events.\textsuperscript{22}

b. To entertain the reader and also to convey a moral message.\textsuperscript{23}

Narrative text divided into two terms, they are:

1) Fiction

Fiction is writing that describes invented people and events, not real ones.\textsuperscript{24} Fiction may include folktale, fable, myths, mysteries, science legends, historical narratives and short stories.

2) Non-Fiction

Narrative is called nonfiction if the story or event is true and actually occurred. Non-fiction is often found in biography, history,
newspaper writing and human experiences. As additionally, every narrative has six basic elements. They are:

a. Where and when: the writer sets the scene of the action, event, or conflict that will take place.

b. Who: a narrative usually revolves around people, although an animal may take the central role. The writer discloses significant characteristics and qualities of the participants, either explicitly or implicitly, often showing rather than telling.

c. What: whether one event or a series occur, action, conflict and change are essential to the story.

d. How: the how of a narrative often involves cause and effect.

e. Why: the reasoning or motivation, usually of the central character, that propels the actions.

It can concluded that narrative is a type of text which any kinds of stories, past events either fiction or non-fiction and the purpose is to entertain readers and listeners.

5.3 Characteristic of Narrative Text

There are many characteristic in Narrative text. They are:

a. Participants are often specific and individualized.

b. Many action verbs (material processes), and there is also the one of verbal and mental processes.

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c. Past tense usually use

d. Many use linking words related to time.

e. Often include dialogue, and tense will probably change.

f. Descriptive language used for creating images in the minds of the readers.

g. Can be written in the first person (1), or third (he, she, they)

h. Using specific nouns as a personal pronoun, certain animals and objects in the story. For example: the king, the queen, and so on

i. Using adjective which form the noun phrase. For example: long black hair, two red pens, etc.

j. Using time and conjunction connectives to sequence events. For example: then, before, after, soon, etc.

k. Using Adverbs and adverbial phrase to indicate the location of the incident or event. For example: here, in the mountain, happily ever after, and so on.

5.4 The Generic Structure of Narrative Text

According to Sanggam Siahaan and Kisno Shinoda, the generic structure of narrative text is as follow:27

a. Orientation: sets the scene and introduces the participants.

b. Evaluation: a stepping back evaluating the plight.


d. Resolution: the crisis is resolved, for better or for worse.

e. Re-orientation: Optional

In the other hand, there also the generic structure of narrative text is as follow:28

a. Orientation: It is about opening paragraph where the characters of the story are introduced. (Provides an introduction to the characters, place and time of the story)

b. Complication: Where the problems developed in the story. (Problems arise/start going and growing)

c. Resolution: Where the problems in the story is solved. The problem is finished, well—“happy ending” or worse—“bad ending”.

B. Related Study

Dwi Yunitasari (2015) has done a research on the title “Improving Reading Comprehension of the Eighth Grade Students at SMPN 15 Yogyakarta Through Rap Strategy in the Academic Year of 2014/2015.” The subjects of this research were 36 students of the eighth E class of SMP N 15 Yogyakarta. The researcher was helped by the English teacher as a collaborator. The data were collected through classroom observation, interviews and tests. The types of the data were quantitative and qualitative data. The quantitative data were obtained from tests and they were in the form of students’ scores. The qualitative data were collected through classroom observation and interviews. The data were in the

form of field notes and interview transcripts. There were five validity criteria in this research. They were democratic, outcome, process, catalytic and dialogic validity. This research was conducted systematically in two cycles following the four phases of action research namely: planning, acting, observing and reflecting. With regard to the application of the two cycles, the results of the research reveal that the use of RAP strategy successfully improves the students’ reading comprehension skills. This strategy helps the students improve their enthusiasm and attention in the process of teaching and learning English, especially reading comprehension. Their vocabulary and understanding of new words also improve. In relation to their comprehension of narrative texts, the students are able to identify main ideas and supporting details of paragraphs correctly. Their interaction and involvement in the reading class also improve. In addition, the students become more active and enjoy the process of teaching and learning reading. The improvements were supported by the results of classroom observation, interviews and students’ test scores. Their post-test scores were higher than their pre-test scores. The mean of pre-test scores was 61.11, while the mean of post-test scores was 85.57. The gain score is 24.46. It shows that students’ reading comprehension skills are improved.

C. Conceptual Framework

Reading as one of the language skills is important should be mastered by the students. The students in Indonesia face so many difficulties in learning English as a foreign language. Most students have no problem in reading but they have problem to comprehend about what they are reading. Comprehension is the
main point in reading activity. The students have many difficulties in knowing the meaning because they less of vocabulary, experience, and prior knowledge.

In teaching English especially in reading skill that faces many difficulties, the teacher needs to apply a strategy. A strategy is needed to make the teaching process more effective. The teacher has no choose an appropriate strategy in teaching reading.

RAP strategy is one of the strategies that can help the teacher to solve the students’ problem in comprehending the reading material. The procedure of RAP strategy described in three steeps namely: read, ask and paraphrase.

This strategy has some procedures when it is applied in the classroom. Firstly, the students will ask to read the text. The next step involves the students asking him/herself what the main idea of the paragraph is. The students should also identify details supporting the main idea. Finally, the information is then paraphrased into the student’s own words.

RAP strategy is more effective to be used to improve reading skill of the students, because this strategy has many advantages for the students. By applying RAP strategy, it can increases the ability of the students to comprehend the text and this strategy also makes the students easy to grasp the information from the text. That is why RAP strategy is suitable in learning reading skill. So that the writer is going to apply this strategy to investigate whether RAP strategy significantly affects the students or not.
D. Hypothesis

Based on the explanation of both theoretical and conceptual framework above, the writer formulated the hypothesis as the following:

$\text{Ha}$ : There is a significant effect of using RAP strategy on the students’ achievement in reading comprehension.

$\text{Ho}$ : There is no a significant effect of using RAP strategy on the students’ achievement in reading comprehension.
CHAPTER III
RESEARCH METHOD

A. Location of the Research

This research is conducted at Madrasah Tsanawiyah Swasta (MTs) Al Washliyah Tembung. There are some considerations why the researcher chooses as the location of the research, such as:

1. The school is easy to reach for the purpose of the data collection.
2. The school welcome that aimed to improve the teaching learning quality.
3. Collaboration with the teacher of the school is easier for the researcher.

B. Research Design

This study will apply experimental research. The writer applies an experimental research which use two groups of sample such as control and experimental group to investigate the effect of RAP strategy on students’ reading comprehension. The experimental group which receive the treatment using RAP strategy, meanwhile the control group is the group which receive the treatment using conventional method. In conducting the research, the writer expect the RAP strategy give a good effect in reading comprehension.
The design of this study is illustrate as follows:

### Table 3.1 Research Design

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C. **Population and Sample**

1. **Population**

   Population are the objects will be researched. The population of this study is the students in the grade VIII MTs Al-Washliyah Tembung. The population of this research is the second year students of MTs Al-Washliyah Medan. There are 10 classes of the second year students in academic 2016/2017.

2. **Sample**

   Sample is small proportion of a population selected for observation and analysis. In selecting sample, the writer said “Cluster Random Sampling” by choosing two classes. Cluster random sampling is used when the population is not consists from individuals, but groups or cluster.

   The sample of this research are VIII-1 and VIII-5. Those classes consisted of 40 students in each class.

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29 Syahrum and Salim, (2011), *Metodologi Penelitian Kualitatif*, Bandung: Cita Pustaka Media, p.113


D. The Instrument for Collecting Data

This study uses multiple choice tests as the instrument to collect the data. There are 20 items for that test. The material of the test take from the subject matter which was taught to the students. In collecting the data, the researcher conducted pre-test and post-test for both: experimental and control group. The students will be asked to read 3 different texts. Then the students answer 20 questions those are related to the text in order to measure the students’ reading comprehension.

E. Scoring the Test

In scoring the test, the researcher ranged the score from 0-100 by counting the correct answer with the following formula:

\[ S = \frac{R}{N} \times 100\% \]

Where:

- \( S \) = Score of the test
- \( R \) = Number of the correct answers
- \( N \) = Number of the test items

F. The Technique for Collecting Data

The technique of collecting data are administrate by means which there are two sources of data collected: (1) data of pre-test that administrated before the class treatment of control and experimental groups, and (2) data post-test that administrated after the class treatment of control and experimental groups.
G. The Procedure of Research

There are some procedures that were used in collecting the data for this research, they are: pre-test, treatment, and post-test. Each of the procedures is described as follows:

1. Pre-test

The pre-test administrated before the treatment. Both experimental and control group were given the same pre-test. This test used to find the students’ reading comprehension of both groups. The result of the test were administered and compared between two groups if they were in the same level of the reading comprehension.

2. Treatment

The treatment conducted after administering the pre-test. The experimental group was taught by using the RAP strategy while the control group with the conventional strategy. Both experimental and control groups were taught with the same material. The teaching procedure of both groups could be seen as followed:

Table 3.2 Teaching Procedure

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<td>d. The teacher explains about narrative text.</td>
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<td>e.</td>
<td>The teacher explains about narrative text.</td>
<td>e. After that, the teacher gives the students the first text.</td>
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<td>f.</td>
<td>The teacher trains the students to read a narrative text.</td>
<td>f. The teacher gives some questions.</td>
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<td>g.</td>
<td>The teacher asks the students to write some difficult words, find the meaning and its synonym. Then, teacher asks the students to make 5 questions based on the text. The students work in pairs.</td>
<td>g. Then, the teacher asks them to answer the questions.</td>
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<td>h.</td>
<td>The teacher chooses one group to read their questions. The chosen group will choose another group to answer their questions by using their own words.</td>
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<td>The teacher asks the students to read another text at home.</td>
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| **3 & 4** | a. The teacher checks the students’ attendance list.  
   b. The teacher asks the students to submit homework.  
   c. The teacher gives motivation to the students.  
   d. The teacher gives another text to the students  
   e. The students will be given time about 10 minutes to read.  
   f. The teacher asks the students to write some difficult words, find the meaning, and it synonym.  
   g. The students will choose some students to retelling the text by using their own words.  
   h. The teacher asks the | a. The teacher checks the students’ attendance list.  
   b. The teacher gives the students another text.  
   c. The teacher asks the students to read the text one by one.  
   d. The teacher asks the students to find the difficult vocabularies and translate it.  
   e. The teacher asks the students to answer the questions.  
   f. The teacher ends the class. |
students to evaluate their own learning way in using the RAP strategy; asks them the difficulties they faced, their weakness and the benefit they get.

i. The teacher concludes the result of the discussion.

3. Post-test

After the treatment completed, both experimental and control group was given a post test. Post test was conducted to see the effectiveness of the treatment based on the score. The post-test used the same multiple choice test and the same difficulties with the pre-test.

II. The Validity and Reliability of the Test

In conducting a research, the validity and reliability of the test is very important. It purposes to know both the accuracy of measurement and the consistency of the text. Before administrating the test, firstly the instrument should be tried out to the other students. It is better to know whether the test is reliable and valid or not to the sample.

1. The Validity of the Test

The test is valid if it measures what is supposed to be measured. The study concerns with how well the test measures the subject matter and
learning outcomes covered during the treatment. There are some various types of validity, namely content validity, construct validity, criterion related validity. The validity that was used in this study is content validity. Content validity is the degree to which the sample represents the content that the test is designed to measure. Thus, by applying content validity, the writer will know whether the test items are valid or not to the behavioral objectives.

2. The Reliability of the Test

Reliability is often defined as the consistency and stability of data or findings. So, the reliability of the test is one characteristic of a good test. Reliability refers to the consistency of measurement. It means that a test give the same result when it given to different people to measure the same thing.

To obtain the reliability of the test, the researcher uses Kuder Richardson 21 formula (KR$_{21}$) as the following:

$$R = \frac{K}{K-1} \left( 1 - \frac{M(K-M)}{KS^2} \right)$$

Where:

K = the number of test items
M = mean of the score
S = standard deviation of the score

The reliability of the test can be categorized as follows:

0.00 – 0.20 : Negligible
0.21 – 0.40 : Low
0.41 – 0.60 : Moderate

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I. The Technique for Analyzing Data

To analyze the data in order to find out the difference means of scores of both experimental and control group, the researcher uses the t-test:

\[ t = \frac{M_a - M_b}{\sqrt{\left(\frac{d_a^2 + d_b^2}{N_a + N_b - 2}\right) \left(\frac{1}{N_a} + \frac{1}{N_b}\right)}} \]

Where:
- \( t \) = the effect
- \( M_a \) = the mean of experimental group
- \( M_b \) = the mean of control group
- \( d_a \) = the standard deviation of experimental group
- \( d_b \) = the standard deviation of control group
- \( N_a \) = the total sample of experimental group
- \( N_b \) = the total sample of control group

J. Statistical Hypothesis

Statistical hypothesis should be applied in order to know the result of observation about the sample. It could be constructed as follows:

\( H_0 : \mu_x = \mu_y \)

\( H_a : \mu_x > \mu_y \)

Where:
- \( H_0 \) : Null hypothesis
- \( H_a \) : Alternative hypothesis
$\mu_x :$ The mean score of students’ teach by using RAP strategy

$\mu_y :$ The mean score of students’ teach by using conventional method
A. Data Description

The data of this research to be analyzed was obtained by giving the multiple choice test to the students in order to know their ability in reading comprehension. The scores of the test for both experimental and control group were calculated by using the formula that had been stated in chapter III. The analysis was intended to get the significant differences between the group taught with RAP strategy and the group taught with conventional strategy in achieving reading comprehension. The population of this study was the eighth grade of MTs Al-Washliyah Tembung. The experimental group was the class of VIII-1 and the control group was the class VIII-5. The pre-test was administered to measure the student’s ability before giving the treatment. The treatment was given to both groups after administering the pre-test. After administering the treatment, the post-test then done to both groups to measure the students’ comprehension in reading narrative text.

After conducting the research, the researcher got the data of students’ scores in test. Comparing both of groups during the teaching process, students in experimental group had better comprehension than in control group.

Before the researcher analyzed the data, the researcher had calculated the score into statistic calculation. The researcher make the calculation tables to get the Mean, Variant and Standard Deviation of two variables, the table as follows:
Table 4.1

Worktable for Finding Mean, Variant and Standard Deviation from Pre-Test of Experimental and Control Group

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The researcher calculated the data based on the steps of the test. The formulation as follow:

1. The statistic calculation of the data pre-test of variable X

   a. Mean

   $$M_x = \frac{\sum X}{n} = \frac{2510}{40} = 62.75$$

   b. Variant

   $$S^2 = \frac{\sum (X - \bar{X})^2}{n-1} = \frac{5873.94}{39} = 150.61$$

   c. Standard Deviation

   $$SD_x = \sqrt{150.61} = 12.27$$

2. The statistic calculation of the data pre-test of variable Y
a. \( M_y = \frac{\sum y}{n} = \frac{2090}{40} = 52.25 \)

b. Variant

\[ S^2 = \frac{\sum(Y - \overline{X})^2}{n-1} = \frac{5997.5}{39} = 153.78 \]

c. Standard Deviation

\[ SD_y = \sqrt{153.78} = 12.40 \]

Table 4.2

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1. The statistic calculation of the data post-test of variable X

   a. Mean
   \[ M_X = \frac{\Sigma X}{n} = \frac{3385}{40} = 85 \]

   b. Variant
   \[ S^2 = \frac{\Sigma (X - \overline{X})^2}{n-1} = \frac{2400}{40-1} = \frac{2400}{39} = 61.53 \]

   c. Standard Deviation
   \[ SD_X = \sqrt{61.53} = 7.84 \]

2. The statistic calculation of the data post-test of variable Y

   a. \( M_Y = \frac{\Sigma Y}{n} = \frac{2580}{40} = 64.5 \)

   b. Variant
   \[ S^2 = \frac{\Sigma (Y - \overline{Y})^2}{n-1} = \frac{5340}{40-1} = \frac{5340}{39} = 136.92 \]

   c. Standard Deviation
   \[ SD_Y = \sqrt{136.92} = 11.70 \]

B. Data Analysis

1. Testing Reliability of the Test

To obtain the reliability of the test items, the researcher used Kuder-Richardson 21 (KR-21) and the table of score reliability of the test as follows:
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The Calculation of the Reliability of the Test

In order to obtain the reliability of the test, the researcher used Kuder-Richardson formula 21 (KR-21) as following:

\[ K = 20 \]

\[ M = \frac{\sum X}{n} = \frac{576}{40} = 13.6 \]

\[ S^2 = \frac{\sum (X - \bar{X})^2}{n-1} \]

\[ = \frac{529.6}{40-1} \]

\[ = \frac{529.6}{39} \]

\[ = 13.6 \]
S = √13.6
= 3.68

KR-21 = \frac{K}{K - 1} \left( 1 - \frac{M(K-M)}{Ks^2} \right)
= \frac{20}{20 - 1} \left( 1 - \frac{13.6(20-13.6)}{20 \cdot (3.68)^2} \right)
= \frac{20}{19} \left( 1 - \frac{87.04}{270.8} \right)
= \frac{20}{19} \left( 1 - 0.32 \right)
= 1.05 \ (0.68)
= 0.71

The calculation shows that coefficient reliability of the test is R = 0.71.

The reliability of the test can be categorized as follows:

0.00 – 0.20 : Negligible
0.21 – 0.40 : Low
0.41 – 0.60 : Moderate
0.61 – 0.80 : Substantial
0.81 – 1.00 : High to very high

It means that the reliability of the test is substantial and test is reliable.

2. Data Analysis by using t-test Formula

The data to be analyzed was obtained by giving the multiple choice tests to the students in order to know their ability in reading narrative text. The analysis was intended to get the significant differences between the students in experimental group and control group.
From the score of the test, a calculation was made to find out whether the using Read, Ask and Paraphrase (RAP) strategy has a significant effect on reading narrative text.

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$$Db^2 = \sum d^2 - \frac{(\sum d)^2}{N}$$

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From the data above, it is obtained that:

$$Ma = 21.875$$

$$Mb = 12.25$$

$$Da^2 = 2134.375$$

$$Db^2 = 1722.5$$
Na = 40

Nb = 40

Therefore, the calculation of \( t \)-observed is:

\[
 t = \frac{Ma - Mb}{\sqrt{\frac{d a^2 + d b^2}{Na + Nb - 2} \left( \frac{1}{Na} + \frac{1}{Nb} \right)}}
\]

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 = \frac{21.875 - 12.25}{\sqrt{\left( \frac{2134.375 + 1722.5}{40 + 40 - 2} \right) \left( \frac{1}{40} + \frac{1}{40} \right)}}
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In this research, the researcher found that the value of \( t \)-observed (4.099) is higher than the value of \( t \)-table (1.990) at level of significance \( \alpha = 0.05 \) and at the numerator degree of freedom (df) 78 (obtained from, \( na + nb - 2 = 40 + 40 - 2 = 78 \)), so Hypothesis Alternative (Ha) is accepted.

C. Testing Hypothesis

The formula of t-test and the table of t-distribution were applied in testing the hypothesis. The testing of hypothesis was conducted to find out whether the hypothesis is accepted or rejected. Ha (alternative hypothesis) is accepted if t-
observe \( t \)-table which at once reject \( H_0 \). Based on the result of the data analysis, the researcher found that value of \( t \)-observe (4.099) was higher than the value of \( t \)-table (1.990) at level of significant \( \alpha = 0.05 \) and at the (df) 78.

The result shows that \( t \)-observe is higher than \( t \)-table, it can be see as follows:

\[
t\text{-observe} > t\text{-table} (\alpha = 0.05) \text{ with df 78}
\]

\[
4.099 > 1.990 \text{ (} \alpha = 0.05 \text{) with df 78}
\]

Therefore, the hypothesis of this study is accepted.

**D. Research Finding**

The result of this research shows that the mean score of experimental group is higher than the mean score of the control group. From the data analysis, the researcher found that the value of the \( t \)-observe (4.099) was higher than \( t \)-table (1.990) at the level significant \( \alpha = 0.05 \). So, \( H_a \) is accepted.

This indicates that the use of Read, Ask, and Paraphrase (RAP) strategy has significant effect on student’ comprehension in reading narrative text.

**E. Discussion**

The data in this research was taken from reading test in the form of multiple choices. The research was conducted in two classes. The data was taken from the second year of MTs Al-Washliyah Tembung. The exact number of the students in both of classes are 40 students.
The research show that the result of the test that was given to the students after teaching learning process by using RAP strategy got higher result than the result of the students was taught by using conventional method.

The finding indicates that the use of RAP strategy is proven effective to increase the students’ reading comprehension. Studying with RAP strategy, students can find many synonyms from one word, developed the ideas with the student’s own words, and the understanding of the students is better.
CHAPTER V
CONCLUSION AND SUGGESTION

A. Conclusion

Based on the result of the data analysis and discussion, the researcher concludes that the use of RAP strategy significantly affects the students’ reading comprehension, since the score of the students who were taught by RAP strategy is higher than using conventional method. And from the t-test calculation it was found that the t-observe is higher than t-table (4.099 > 1.990; df = 78, α = 0.05). It means that the hypothesis alternative (Ha) is accepted which shows that RAP strategy significantly affects the students’ reading comprehension.

B. Suggestions

Based on the finding, the researcher gives some suggestions as follows:

1. The English teachers are suggested to use RAP strategy in their teaching learning process in order to improve the students’ reading comprehension.
2. The students follow the steps on RAP strategy to improve their achievement in reading comprehension.
3. The other researcher, who want to study more about RAP strategy, this research could be advisable reference in conducting similar language skills reading with different genre.
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Appendix I

LESSON PLAN

School : MTs Al-washliyah Tembung

Subject : English

Skill : Reading

Class/semester : VIII/2

Meeting : 1 & 2

Time allocation : 2 x 40 minutes

A. Standard Competence
Understanding the meaning in short functional text and simple essay in form of narrative and recount to interact with the nearest environment.

B. Basic Competence
Responding meaning in simple short functional text accurately, fluently and acceptable to interact with the nearest environment in a form of narrative and recount.

C. Indicators
Students are able to:

- Identify the information in a text.
- Understand the purpose of a text.
- Answer questions dealing with the narrative text.

D. Teaching Learning Material
a. The definition of narrative text
Narrative text is a story with complication or problematic events and it tries to find the resolutions to solve the problems. An important part of narrative text is the narrative mode, the set of methods used to communicate the narrative through a process narration.

b. The purpose of narrative text
The Purpose of Narrative Text is to amuse or to entertain the reader with a story.

c. Generic Structures of Narrative Text
1) Orientation
Sets the scene: where and when the story happened and introduces the participants of the story: who and what is involved in the story.
2) Complication
Tells the beginning of the problems which leads to the crisis (climax) of the main participants.
3) Resolution
The problem (the crisis) is resolved, either in a happy ending or in a sad (tragic) ending
4) Re-orientation/Coda
This is a closing remark to the story and it is optional. It consists of a moral lesson, advice or teaching from the writer

d. Language features in narrative text.
- Past tense (killed, drunk, etc).
- Adverb of time (Once upon a time, one day, etc)
- Time conjunction (when, then, suddenly, etc)
- Specific character. The character of the story is specific, not general. (Cinderella, Snow White, Alibaba, etc)
- Action verbs. A verb that shows an action. (killed, dug, walked, etc)
- Direct speech. It is to make the story lively. (Snow White said, “My name is Snow White). The direct speech uses present tense.
e. Example of Narrative Text

Snow White

Once upon a time, there lived a little girl named “Snow White”. She lived with her aunt and uncle because her parents were dead.

One day, she heard her uncle and aunt talking about leaving Snow White in the castle because they both wanted to go to America and they didn’t have enough money to take Snow White. Snow White did not want her uncle and aunt to do this so she decided it would be best if she ran away. The next morning she ran away from home when her aunt and uncle were having breakfast. She ran away into the woods. She was very tired and hungry.

Then, she saw this little cottage. She knocked but no one answered so she went inside and fell asleep. Meanwhile, the seven dwarfs were coming home from work. They went inside. There they found Snow White sleeping. Then, Snow White woke up. She saw the dwarfs. The dwarfs said, ”What is your name?” Snow White said, “My name is Snow White”.

The dwarfs said, “If you wish, you may live here with us”. Snow White said, “Oh, could I? Thank you”. Then, Snow White told the dwarfs the whole story and Snow White and the seven dwarfs lived happily ever after.

E. Strategy

Read, Ask, and Paraphrase (RAP)

F. Teaching Procedure

1. Pre Activity
   - Greeting (teacher greets the students and checks the attendance list).
   - Teacher introduces herself to the students.
   - Giving review about narrative text by asking about generic structure.
   - Teacher gives the pre-test.

2. Main Activity
**Exploration**
- Teacher explains about narrative text.
- The teacher trains the students to read a narrative text.

**Elaboration**
- The teacher asks the students to write some difficult words and find the meaning and it synonym. Then, teacher asks the students to make 5 questions based on the text. The students work in pairs.
- The teacher chooses one group to read their questions. The chosen group will choose another group to answer their questions by using their own words.

**Confirmation**
- Giving positive feedback and reinforcement orally or by using gestures for the students’ success.
- Giving advice to the student's work so that they can improve their weakness.

3. Post Activity
- Teacher asks the students to read another narrative text at home.
- Teacher ends the class.

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a. Instrument:
Answer the questions below based on the text of Snow White!

1) What is the kind of the text?
2) What is the purpose of the text?
3) What is the main idea of paragraph 2?
4) What is the text talk about?
5) Who are the characters of the text?
6) Where did the story happen?
7) Why did Snow White run away into the woods?
8) Please mention the generic structures of the text!
9) What is the moral value of the story above?
10) How is the ending of the text of Snow White? Explain it!

Key Answer

1. The kind of the text is narrative text.
2. The purpose of the text is to amuse the reader.
3. The main idea of paragraph 2 is Snow White’s uncle and aunt leaving her in the castle.
4. The text talk about Snow White.
5. The characters of the text are Snow White, her aunt, her uncle, the seven dwarfs.
6. The story happened in the castle and the woods.
7. Snow White ran away into the woods because she did not want her uncle and aunt to go to America.
8. The generic structures of the text are orientation, complication and resolution.
9. The moral value of the story is we must be patient in every problems.
10. The ending of the text of Snow White is happy ending, because she lived with the seven dwarfs in the cottage.
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Students are able to:
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1. Vocabulary
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The Bear and The Two Friends
Once two friends were walking through the forest. They knew that anything dangerous can happen to them at any time in the forest. So they promised each other that they would remain united in any case of danger.

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E. Strategy
Read, Ask, and Paraphrase (RAP) strategy

F. Teaching Procedure
1. Pre Activity
   - Teacher remarks the students and takes the attendance list.
   - Teacher asks the students to submit homework.
   - The teacher gives motivation to the students.
2. Main Activity
   Exploration
   - Teacher gives another text to the students.
   - The students will be given time about 10 minutes to read.

   Elaboration
   - The teacher asks the students to write some difficult words and find the meaning and its synonyms.
   - The teacher will choose some students to retelling the text by using their own words.
Confirmation

- Teacher asks the students to evaluate their own learning way in using the RAP strategy; asks them the difficulties they faced, their weakness and the benefit they get.
- Giving positive feedback and reinforcement orally or by using gestures for the students’ success.

3. Post Activity
- The teacher concludes the result of the discussion.
- The teacher gives post-test to the students.
- The teacher says thanks to all students.
- The teacher ends the class.

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b. Instrument:
Read the story about “The Bear and The Two Friends” and then retelling the text by using your own words!
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Students are able to:

- Identify the information in a text.
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- Answer questions dealing with the narrative text.

D. Teaching Learning Material

a. The definition of narrative text

Narrative text is a story with complication or problematic events and it tries to find the resolutions to solve the problems. An important part of
narrative text is the narrative mode, the set of methods used to communicate the narrative through a process narration.

b. **The purpose of narrative text**
   
The Purpose of Narrative Text is to amuse or to entertain the reader with a story.

c. **Generic Structures of Narrative Text**
   
   1) **Orientation**
      
      Sets the scene: where and when the story happened and introduces the participants of the story: who and what is involved in the story.
   
   2) **Complication**
      
      Tells the beginning of the problems which leads to the crisis (climax) of the main participants.
   
   3) **Resolution**
      
      The problem (the crisis) is resolved, either in a happy ending or in a sad (tragic) ending
   
   4) **Re-orientation/Coda**
      
      This is a closing remark to the story and it is optional. It consists of a moral lesson, advice or teaching from the writer.

d. **Language features in narrative text.**
   
   - Past tense (killed, drunk, etc).
   - Adverb of time (Once upon a time, one day, etc)
   - Time conjunction (when, then, suddenly, etc)
   - Specific character. The character of the story is specific, not general. (Cinderella, Snow White, Alibaba, etc)
   - Action verbs. A verb that shows an action. (killed, dug, walked, etc)
   - Direct speech. It is to make the story lively. (Snow White said, ”My name is Snow White). The direct speech uses present tense.

e. **Example of Narrative Text**

   **Snow White**

   Once upon a time, there lived a little girl named “Snow White”. She lived with her aunt and uncle because her parents were dead.
One day, she heard her uncle and aunt talking about leaving Snow White in the castle because they both wanted to go to America and they didn’t have enough money to take Snow White. Snow White did not want her uncle and aunt to do this so she decided it would be best if she ran away. The next morning she ran away from home when her aunt and uncle were having breakfast. She ran away into the woods. She was very tired and hungry.

Then, she saw this little cottage. She knocked but no one answered so she went inside and fell asleep. Meanwhile, the seven dwarfs were coming home from work. They went inside. There they found Snow White sleeping. Then, Snow White woke up. She saw the dwarfs. The dwarfs said, ”What is your name?” Snow White said, “My name is Snow White”.

The dwarfs said, “If you wish , you may live here with us”. Snow White said, “Oh,could I? Thank you”. Then, Snow White told the dwarfs the whole story and Snow White and the seven dwarfs lived happily ever after.

E. Method

Conventional method

F. Teaching and Learning Process

1. Pre Activity
   - Teacher introduces herself to the students.
   - Greeting the students
   - Teacher remarks the students and takes the attendance list.
   - Telling the objective of the lesson.
   - Teacher gives the pre-test.

2. Main Activity
   
   Exploration
   
   - Reminding the students about the previous lesson.
- Teacher gives a text to the students.
- Teacher asks the students to read the text.

**Elaboration**
- The teacher asks some students to read aloud or read in front of the class.
- Teacher asks the students to translate the text.
- Teacher asks the students to answer the questions below the text.
- Opening question and answer session.

**Confirmation**
- Giving positive feedback and reinforcement orally or by using gestures for the students’ success.

3. **Post Activity**
- Teacher conclude the materials learnt.
- Teacher ends the class.

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Answer the questions below based on the text of Snow White!

1. What is the main idea of paragraph 2?
2. What is the text talk about?
3. What is the moral value of the story above?

**Key Answer**

1. The main idea of paragraph 2 is Snow White’s uncle and aunt leaving her in the castle.
2. The text talk about Snow White.
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   - The teacher gives motivation to the students.

2. Main Activity
   
   Exploration
   - The teacher gives another text to the students.
   - The teacher asks the students to read the text one by one.

   Elaboration
   - The teacher asks the students to write some difficult vocabularies and translate it.
   - The teacher asks the students to answer the questions.

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   - Giving positive feedback and reinforcement orally or by using gestures for the students’ success.
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b. Instrument:

Answer the questions below based on the text of “The Bear and The Two Friends”!

1. What is the kind of the text?
2. Who are the characters of the text?
3. Where did the story happen?
4. What is the moral value of the text?

**Key Answer**

1. The kind of the text is narrative text
2. The characters of the text are two friends and the bear.
3. The story happened in the forest.
4. The moral value of the text is don’t leave your friend in every condition.

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Appendix V

Pre-Test

Read the following text, then answer the questions no 1-10!

The Story of the Smart Parrot

A man in Puerto Rico had a wonderful parrot. There was no another parrot like it.

It was very, very smart. This parrot would say any word-except one. He would not say the name of the town where he was born. The name of the town was Catano.

The man tried to teach the parrot to say Catano. But the bird would not say the word. At first the man was very nice, but then he got angry. “You are a stupid bird! Why can’t you say the word? Sat CAtano, or I will kill you!” but the parrot would not say it. Then the man got to so angry that the shouted over and over, “Say Catano, or I’ll kill you!” but the bird wouldn’t talk.

One day after trying for many hours to make the bird say Catano, the man got very angry. He picked up the bird and threw him into the chicken house. “You are more stupid than the chickens. Soon I will eat them, and I will eat you, too.”

In the chicken house there are four old chickens. They were for Sunday’s dinner.

The man put the parrot in the chicken house and left.

The next day the man came back to the chicken house. He opened the door and stopped. He was very surprised at what he saw!

He saw three dead chickens on the floor. The parrot was screaming at the fourth chicken, “Say Catano, or I’ll kill you!”

1. Where does the story take place?
   A. London          C. Jakarta
   B. Puerto Rico    D. Buenos Aires

2. What is the word that the parrot cannot say?
   A. Catano          C. Canato
   B. Tacano         D. Nacato
3. How often did the owner teach the bird how to say the word?
   A. Always
   B. Everyday
   C. Many times
   D. Every second

4. Which statement is true according to the text?
   A. The parrot could say Catano
   B. At last the parrot could say Catano
   C. Catano was the name at the parrot
   D. The man never got angry at the parrot

5. What does the man do to the bird because the bird cannot say the name of a place?
   A. The man ate the bird.
   B. The sold the bird.
   C. The man killed the bird.
   D. The man taught the bird.

6. It is most likely that ….
   A. The bird killed the three chickens.
   B. The three chickens killed the bird.
   C. The bird played with the chicken.
   D. The bird killed one of the three chickens.

7. What is the story about?
   A. A parrot and a cat
   B. A parrot and a chicken
   C. A parrot and the owner
   D. A parrot, the owner, and chickens

8. “It was very, very smart”
   The underlined word refers to ….
   A. The man
   B. The bird
   C. The chicken
   D. Puerto Rico

9. “The parrot was very, very smart”
   The word ‘smart’ means ….
   A. Stupid
   B. Clever
   C. Stubborn
   D. Beautiful
10. “The parrot was screaming at the fourth chickens”
What does the underlined word mean?
A. Smiling
B. Crying
C. Shouting
D. Laugh

Read the following text, then answer the questions no 11-15

Once upon a time there was a girl name Cindrella. She lived with her bad step-mother and two step-sisters. She had to do all the household chores.
One day the king invited all the ladies in the kingdom to go to a ball (pesta dansa) in the palace. He wanted to find the Crown Prince a wife.
The step sisters went to the ball that night with their mother. Cindrella was left alone. She cried because she actually wanted to go to the ball, too.
Just then a fairy godmother came. With her magic wand, she gave Cindrella a coach (kereta), two horses and footmen. She also gave Cindrella a lovely dress to wear the ball and a pair of glass slippers. She told Cindrella to come home before midnight.
At the ball, Cindrella danced all night with the Prince. The Prince fell in love with her. At midnight, Cindrella ran home. Unfortunately, one of her slippers slipped off at the door. She did not have time to put it back on. The Prince was sad as he could not find Cindrella again that night.
The next day, the Prince and his men brought along the glass slipper. They went all over the Kingdom to search for the owner.
After searching for along time, finally, they came to Cindrella’s house. The slipper fit her. The prince was very happy to find Cindrella again. They got married and lived ever after.

11. What is the purpose of the text above?
A. To tell us how to write a story
B. To inform what happened in the past
C. To give a description of a beautiful girl
D. To entertain readers with an actual, or vicarious experience
12. What type of the text is used by the writer?
   A. Narrative       C. Recount
   B. Report          D. Descriptive

13. Why did the king hold the event at his palace?
   A. To celebrate his birthday   C. To find his crown prince a wife
   B. To celebrate his wedding    D. To entertain his people

14. How was the end of the story?
   A. The prince married Cindrella.
   B. Cindrella was killed by her step mother
   C. The prince turned into a horse forever.
   D. The king gave the kingdom to Cindrella.

15. “She also gave Cindrella a lovely dress….” (Paragraph 4). The underlined word has the same meaning with …..
   A. Boring       C. Polite
   B. Honest       D. Pretty

Read the following text, then answer the questions no 16-20!

Snow White

Once upon a time there lived a little girl named Snow White. She lived with her aunt and uncle because her parents were dead.

One day she heard her uncle and aunt talking about leaving Snow White in the castle because they both wanted to go to America and they didn’t have enough money to take Snow White.

Snow White didn’t want her uncle and aunt to do that so she decided that it would be best if she ran away. The next morning she ran away into the woods. She was very tired and hungry. Then she saw a little cottage. She knocked but no one answered so she went inside and fell asleep.

Meanwhile, the seven dwarfs were coming home from work. There they found Snow White sleeping. Then Snow White woke up. She saw the dwarfs.
The dwarfs said, “What is your name?”
Snow White said, “My name is Snow White.”
Then, Snow White told the dwarfs the whole story.
The dwarfs said, “If you want, you may live here with us.”
Snow White answered, “Oh, could I? Thank you.”
Finally, Snow White and the seven dwarfs lived happily ever after.

16. To tell the plot, the writers uses…..
   A. a rhetorical question and an exclamation       C. contrastive evidences
   B. time sequences                                 D. past tense

17. Why did Snow White run away to the woods?
   A. Her parents passed away
   B. Her uncle was angry with her
   C. Her uncle and aunt would go to America
   D. Snow White was happy to run away

18. When did Snow White run away to the woods?
   A. In the afternoon                               C. In the evening
   B. In the morning                                 D. In the full moon

19. Where did Snow White live after she run away to the woods?
   A. She lived in the cave                          C. She lived everywhere in the woods
   B. She lived in the lion nest                     D. She lived in the dwarfs’ cottage

20. According to the text, before she ran away into the woods, why did Snow White live with her uncle and aunt?
   A. Because she loved them very much
   B. As a result of forcing attitude from them
   C. Because her parents were dead
   D. Because she were afraid of the dwarfs
Read the following text, then answer the questions no 1-5!

Once upon a time there was a girl name Cindrella. She lived with her bad step-mother and two step-sisters. She had to do all the household chores.

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1. How was the end of the story?
   E. The prince married Cindrella.
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2. What is the purpose of the text above?
   E. To tell us how to write a story
   F. To inform what happened in the past
3. “She also gave Cindrella a _lovely_ dress….” (Paragraph 4). The underlined word has the same meaning with ….
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   D. Honest  D. Pretty

4. Why did the king hold the event at his palace?
   C. To celebrate his birthday  C. To find his crown prince a wife
   D. To celebrate his wedding  D. To entertain his people

5. What type of the text is used by the writer?
   A. Narrative  C. Recount
   B. Report  D. Descriptive

Read the following text, then answer the questions no 6-10!

**Snow White**

Once upon a time there lived a little girl named Snow White. She lived with her aunt and uncle because her parents were dead.

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Snow White didn’t want her uncle and aunt to do that so she decided that it would be best if she ran away. The next morning she ran away into the woods. She was very tired and hungry. Then she saw a little cottage. She knocked but no one answered so she went inside and fell asleep.

Meanwhile, the seven dwarfs were coming home from work. There they found Snow White sleeping. Then Snow White woke up. She saw the dwarfs.

The dwarfs said, “What is your name?”

Snow White said, “My name is Snow White.”

Then, Snow White told the dwarfs the whole story.
The dwarfs said, “If you want, you may live here with us.”
Snow White answered, “Oh, could I? Thank you.”
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   A. Because she loved them very much
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   C. Because her parents were dead
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7. When did Snow White run away to the woods?
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   B. In the morning
   C. In the evening
   D. In the full moon

8. Why did Snow White run away to the woods?
   A. Her parents passed away
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   C. She lived everywhere in the woods
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    B. time sequences
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Read the following text, then answer the questions no 11-20!

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A. Always  C. Many times
B. Everyday  D. Every second

14. Which statement is true according to the text?
A. The parrot could say Catano  C. Catano was the name at the parrot
B. At last the parrot could say Catano  D. The man never got angry at the parrot

15. “The parrot was screaming at the fourth chickens”
What does the underlined word mean?
A. Smiling  
B. Crying  
C. Shouting  
D. Laugh

16. What is the story about?  
A. A parrot and a cat  
B. A parrot and a chicken  
C. A parrot and the owner  
D. A parrot, the owner, and chickens

17. What is the word that the parrot cannot say?  
A. Catano  
B. Tacano  
C. Canato  
D. Nacato

18. “It was very, very smart”  
The underlined word refers to ….  
A. The man  
B. The bird  
C. The chicken  
D. Puerto Rico

19. Where does the story take place?  
A. London  
B. Puerto Rico  
C. Jakarta  
D. Buenos Aires

20. “The parrot was very, very smart”  
The word ‘smart’ means ….  
A. Stupid  
B. Clever  
C. Stubborn  
D. Beautiful
Appendix IV

Answer Keys

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Doing RAP Strategy
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