

AN ANALYSIS OF TYPES AND FUNCTIONS OF SLANG WORDS IN “PITCH PERFECT 3” MOVIE

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ABSTRAK

Penelitian ini merupakan penelitian kualitatif deskriptif yang berusaha menemukan jenis dan fungsi dalam film “Pitch Perfect 3”. Subyek penelitian ini adalah film berjudul “Pitch Perfect 3”. Pengumpulan data dilakukan dengan teknik observasi menonton film. Terkait dengan rumusan masalah pertama tentang jenis slang yang digunakan dalam film Pitch Perfect 3, hanya ada tiga jenis slang yang ditemukan di film ini. Yaitu *fresh* dan *creative*, *flippant*, dan *imitative*. Munculnya kata-kata segar dan kreatif mendominasi jenis slang yang digunakan dalam film Pitch Perfect 3. Artinya, kata-kata slang memiliki banyak kosakata baru untuk diucapkan untuk situasi dan kondisi informal di daerah yang berbeda. Mengacu pada rumusan masalah kedua tentang fungsi bahasa gaul yang digunakan dalam film Pitch Perfect 3, dari tujuh fungsi, hanya empat yang ditemukan dalam film ini. Fungsi-fungsi tersebut adalah untuk menyapa, memulai percakapan santai, mengungkapkan kesan, menunjukkan keintiman. Fungsi yang dominan adalah untuk menyapa dan memulai percakapan santai. Dalam situasi atau kondisi informal, orang cenderung menggunakan jenis alamat tertentu dalam menyapa teman-teman mereka terutama teman dekat atau hubungan mereka dalam kehidupan sehari-hari. Mereka juga cenderung menggunakan kata-kata slang karena ingin menciptakan suasana santai agar percakapan mereka dapat berjalan dengan baik.

Kata kunci: linguistik, sosiolinguistik, bahasa gaul, film

ABSTRACT

This research is a descriptive qualitative research which attempt to find types and functions in “Pitch Perfect 3” movie. The subject of this research was movie entitles “Pitch Perfect 3” movie. The data were collected by observation technique watching the movie. Regarding to the first problem statement about types of slang used in Pitch Perfect 3 movie, there are only three types of slang found in this movie. Those are *fresh and creative*, *flippant*, and *imitative*. The occurrence of *fresh and creative* dominates the slang type used in the Pitch Perfect 3 movie. It means that slang words have much a new vocabulary to say for informal situation and condition in different area. Referring to the second problem statement about the functions of slang used in Pitch Perfect 3 movie, from seven functions, only four of them are discovered in this movie. Those functions are *to address*, *to initiate relax conversation*, *to express impression*, *to show intimacy*. the functions which are dominants are *to address* and *to initiate relax conversation*. In informal situation or condition, people tend to use certain kind of addresses in addressing their friends especially their close friends or relationship in their daily life. They also tend to use slang words since they want to create relax condition in which their conversation can run well.

Keywords: linguistics, sociolinguistics, slang, movie

1. INTRODUCTION

Communication is an important thing in human's life. Everytime and everywhere people do communication with another to get their needs. Language is a device used by people to communicate with others. From time to time language always develops because of the social conditions and people's needs. Language variation could be classified into standard and non-standard varieties. According to Holmes (2013:239) the standard variety is a prestigious, codified variety that has the highest social status and is used in formal occasions. Meanwhile, the non-standard variety is any variety of language which is not standardized and informal.

Slang is the use of informal words and expression that are not considered standart in a formal language but may be considered more acceptable when used social life and has long in habit the area of friction between generations, nations and social group. In slang word, the people has perception that slang could be use in many informal situation in different area. Slang can be say as a universal. It is found in all languages and all time periods. Slang word can be finds in many varies from region to region, and from past to present. Slang used in variety of social needs and rather than a corruption of the language, it is yet futher evidence of the creativity of the human language user. Slang in informal used by member some certain ethnical or social group for example is adolescent or tennagers. In social group, the resarcher often hear there is people use sign, phrase, or certain sentence to submit secret which may not know by others. In this case they use language which sometimes disagree with good structure, for example usage of slang words. According to Allan K and BurrIDGE (2006:68) slang is language of a highly colloquial and contemporary type, considered stylistically inferior to standard formal, and even polite informal, speech. It often uses methapor and or ellipsis and often manifest verbal play in which current language is employed in some special sense and denotation, otherwise the vocabulary, and sometimes grammar, is novel or only recently coined.

Based on the above, the problem in this study is formulated as follows: (1) How are the types of slang word in "Pitch Perfect 3" movie ?. (2) How are the functions of slang word in "Pitch Perfect 3" movie ?. Research Objective in this research are : (1) To figure out the types of slang words in "Pitch Perfect 3" movie. (2) To figure out the functions of slang words in "Pitch Perfect 3" movie. The results of this study are expected to be useful, both theoretically and practically. Theoretically, The result of study is expected to be useful for contributing the development to know and understanding the types and functions of slang words in American English conversation. In Pratical Significance, the result of this study can be useful for contributing the development of literary study among the people who are interested in literary study especially in sociolinguistics, and make the readers know and understanding about the types and functions of using slang words in American English conversation This study is limited the problem by focusing on the types and functions of slang words in Pitch Perfect 3 movie directed by Trish Sie , released in 2017 to use slang words.

Linguistics

Linguistics is the systematic study of the structure and evolution of human language, and it is applicable to every aspect of human endeavor.

Sociolinguistics

Sociolinguistics is a field of study which deals mostly with language use, particularly spoken language, but not the grammatical or phonetic structure of a language. Sociolinguists do not study a language or a linguistic variety as a closed system with no reference to speaker and social life. Sociolinguists emphasize that language use the *sociolinguistic language system* is always variable and heterogeneous.

Slang words

Slang is language (words, phrases, and usages) of an informal register. It also sometimes refers to the language generally exclusive to the members of particular in-groups prefer over the common vocabulary of a standard language in order to establish group identity, exclude outsiders, or

both. The word itself came about in the 18th century and has been defined in multiple ways since its conception.

Movie

It is a type of visual communication that uses pictures, plays from humans, animals or plants and moving sounds whose function is to tell stories or teach something to others. Most people who watch or see movies as a kind of entertainment or a way to have fun. Movies are romantic, action, horror, funny etc. For some people, fun movies can mean movies that make them laugh, for others. it could mean a movie that makes them cry, or they feel scared.

2. METHOD

Research method in this study uses qualitative method. According to Sugiyono (2007:15) qualitative method is a research method based on the philosophy of postpositivism, used to examine the condition of a natural object, (as opposed to an experiment) where the researcher is the key instrument, the sampling of data sources is done purposively and snowball, the collection technique is triangulation (combined), data analysis is inductive/qualitative and the results of qualitative research emphasize meaning rather than generalizations. Observation as a technique is used in cases where you want to avoid an error that can be a result of bias during evaluation and interpretation processes. It is a way to obtain objective data by watching a participant and recording it for analysis at a later stage. The data in this research will be obtained from conducting observation on the movie which is also supported by taking note technique. The data collected by observation where the author collects and records all of slang words at the movie and then classifies the data by types and functions according to the theoretical framework. The subject in this research is Pitch Perfect 3 movie. Laptop/PC, movie script and note as the research instrument. There are some steps of collecting data. First, Pitch Perfect 3 movie is identified by watching and also the script of the movie is read, and then words that include slang words categorized are marked. Second, find out the types and function of slang words in the movie. The obtained data are collected and noted.

3. FINDING AND DISCUSSION

Finding

There are many types of communication out there, one of them is dialogue or conversation used by the community in everyday life. They use many languages one of them is the use of slang. In the Pitch Perfect 3 movie there are many slang words used by all characters in this movie. The writer analyzes the data from watching the Pitch Perfect 3 movie. After analyzing the data, the writer found many slang words with the types and functions that were used in the Pitch Perfect 3 movie.

Slang words are one part of language varieties which are usually used in movies, songs, quotes, conversations and daily life. In this research, the writer used the Pitch Perfect 3 movie for research.

Table 1. The data of slang words that used by all characters in the Pitch Perfect movie

| No | The utilized of words or phrases | Corpus | The meaning in the movie | The type of slang | The function of slang |
|----|----------------------------------|------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. | Broh | It our job, broh | Guy's or calling someone/friends | Fresh and creative | To address |

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|-----|--------------|--|-------------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------------------|
| 2. | Sweet cheeks | A little town and persistence, sweetchecks | Sweet girl | Flippant | To address |
| 3. | Damn | Damn , it's popping | Cool, amazing | Fresh and creative | To express impression |
| 4. | Tarted | So let's go tarted up | A prostitute or promiscuous woman | Flippant | To initiate relax conversation |
| 5. | Dude | Dude, what is this about? | Guy's or calling someone/ friends | Fresh and creative | To address |
| 6. | Lit up | Oh hey, heard you all really, uh lit up last night | Cool, awesome, fantastic | Flippant | To express impression |
| 7. | Shit | Oh, shit! | Shock | Fresh and creative | To express impression |
| 8. | What's up | What's up pitchies? | "Hello/Hi" as the informal greeting | Fresh and creative | To show intimacy |
| 9. | Gonna | When am I gonna learn to open my mail out? | Will do something | Imitative | To initiate relax conversation |
| 10. | Sweetie | Oh sweetie, why? | Affection or Dear | Fresh and creative | To address |
| 11. | Gotta | They gotta be close to making decision | Must / have to | Imitative | To initiate relax conversation |
| 12. | Puke | I'm gonna puke | To vomit/ throw up | Fresh and creative | To initiate conversation |
| 13. | Shark week | Oh, it's shark week? Hot damn | Menstruation | Flippant | To initiate relax conversation |
| 14. | Turnip top | But, you're still my turnip top | Idiot, stupid | Flippant | To humiliate |

Discussion

From the tabulated data above, then the writer tries to analyze and classify the selected slang words or phrases by categorizing them into the type of slang and function of slang. The writer was searching the whole of selected slang words or phrases in the movie through reading the slang

dictionaries and some article about slang word. The writer watching Pitch Perfect 3 movie and analyzing each word by understanding Pitch Perfect 3 movie script.

Based on the writer classification the slang words, the writer found four types of slang words and five functions of slang words those are used in the Pitch Perfect 3 movie. Four types of slang words are fresh and creative, flippant, imitative and clipping. Although five functions of slang words are to address, to humiliate, to initiate relax conversation, to express impression and to show intimacy.

Types of slang word

1. Fresh and creative

Based on the explanation from the theoretical framework and after the writer find out the data at the movie and from slang dictionaries and article, the writer found some of fresh and creative as a type of slang word from the conversation of the characters at the movie.

Broh

The slang *broh* found in 00:05:07. The dialogue occurs when Beca's leader tell Beca this is their job and they are producers so they bring his vision to life

Beca : *How can take his side?*

Beca' leader : *Sides? Well we.....*

Why are we always talking about side? Okay. It's our job broh, we're producers, we bring his vision to life

In this case the slang word *broh* is categorized as fresh and creative type due to this word has totally new vocabulary and not made by imitating, clipping or so on. From the script above seen, Beca's leader tell her about their job as as producer and they should bring vision to life.

2. Flippant

Allan and Burrige (2006) state that *flippant* is the slang that is made by two words or more in which the words composed are not correlate with the denotative meaning.

Shark week

The slang *shark week* found in 00:04:49. The conversation taken when Beca's leader telling Pimp Lo about Beca has a period which actually she is not on her period, however she upset over Pimp Lo.

Beca's leader : *Okay, there's something you should know, uh Beca is on her period.*

Pimp Lo : *Oh, it's **shark week**? Hot damn*

Beca's leader : *Bum,bum*

Pimp Lo : *Y'all keeping it one hundred. That my mom right there, you know what it is? Mmm*

Beca's leader : *Still menstruating*

The slang word shark week belong to flippant type because made by a word or more in which the words composed not correlated with denotative meaning it's mean the word and definition is different.. Shark week became slang word because based on the theory states slang is the use of informal word and expression that are not considered standart in a given language but may be considered more acceptable when used socially and has long in habit the area of friction between generations,nations and social classes. From the conversation above seen Beca's leader said that Beca is on period futher Pimp lo said shark week for the slang of menstruation. The writer compares the common term and the slang term has seen in the dictionaries. In common term the meaning of shark week are for shark means a fish live in a sea and week means day. And in slang term the word shark week means menstruation.

3. Imitative

Based on Allan and Burrige (2006:71), *Imitative* means that slang imitates or derives from Standard English (SE) word, uses Standard English (SE) words in different meanings, or combines two different words.

Gotta

The slang word of *gotta* found in 00:55:26. The dialogue occurs when Cynthia tells the Bellas the army should make decision for DJ Khaled and he needs an opening act.

Cynthia : They gotta be close to making decision, they film the special with DJ Khaled tomorrow and he needs an opening act.

The slang words *gotta* which is categorized as *imitative* type. Imitate Standard English(SE) words to formulate new meaning in slang or combine two different words. *Gotta* is derived from phrase words "got to". *Gotta* usually use for informal situation and can be used by speakers easily because imitative type is designed shorter from the original word. The meaning of *gotta* is the same with should or must.

Functions of slang word

According to the writer analysis that to seven functions of slang written by Allan and Burrige (2006:74) . In this case the writer found five functions of slang they are :

1. To address. This is the function the all characters used the slang word of *broh*, *sweetcheecks*, *dude*, *sweetie*, are to greets or to called someone in order to maintain their close relationship. Someone who has close relationship usually tends to apply informal kind of address because using formal address argues that the speaker has distant relationship with other speakers.
2. To initiate relax conversation. The function of slang *gonna*, *gotta*, *shark week*, *puke*, *tarted* is to create relax conversation. They have tendency to use slang word to initiate relax conversation for the purpose of having smooth conversation in informal situation.
3. To express impression. The function of slang word in the dialogue on word *damn*, *lit up*, *shit* is to show or express their impressions and their feeling, being shock, amaze, angry, surprise and annoy in informal situation.
4. To show intimacy. The function of slang word in the dialogue on word *what's up* and *turnip top* is to indicate intimacy or solidarity of social relationship. The speakers usually use this slang word to greets someone in informal situation.

4. CONCLUSION

Regarding to the first problem statement about types of slang used in Pitch Perfect 3 movie, there are only three types of slang found in this movie. Those are *fresh and creative*, *flippant*, and *imitative*. From 14 data the writer found the slang word in this movie are divide to four types. The slang words of *shark week*, *damn*, *sweetie*, *what's up*, *dude*, *shit* and *puke* which are categorized as *fresh and creative* type, the slang words of *sweet check*, *tarted*, *turnip top*, *lit up* which are categorized as *flippant* and the slang word of *gonna* and *gotta* are categorized as *imitative*. The occurrence of *fresh and creative* dominates the slang type used in the Pitch Perfect 3 movie. It means that slang words have much a new vocabulary to say for informal situation and condition in different area. As we know and based on the theory slang word can be say as a universal, everytime there are always a new slang words at the all time period and reflect person age.

Referring to the second problem statement about the functions of slang used in Pitch Perfect 3 movie, from seven functions, only four of them are discovered in this movie. Those functions are *to address*, *to initiate relax conversation*, *to express impression*, *to show intimacy*. From 14 data the slang words *broh*, *sweetcheecks*, *dude*, *sweetie* which have function to address, the slang words *gonna*, *gotta*, *shark week*, *puke* which have function to initiate relax conversation, the slang words *damn*, *lit up*, *shit* which have function to express impression, the slang word *what's up* which has function to show intimacy and the slang word *turnip top* which has function to humiliate. Therefore, the functions which are dominants are *to address* and *to initiate relax conversation*. As we know, in informal situation or condition , people tend to use certain kind of addresses in addressing their

friends especially their close friends or relationship in their daily life. They also tend to use slang words since they want to create relax condition in which their conversation can run well.

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