CONTEXTUAL MEANING ON AVRIL LAVIGNE SELECTED SONGS

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Abstract

This study aimed to find out the contextual meaning of expression on Avrillavigne selected songs. This research was designed by using descriptive qualitative method with descriptive approach to analyze the data that indicated to contextual meaning that found on AvrilLavigne selected songs. The source data of this research is song lyrics, which is the singer is AvrilLavigne, and researcher selected the songs of AvrilLavigne. The data was analyzed by using the technique of the data analysis: data condensation, data display, drawing and verifying conclusions. The data was collected by using documentation. The result of this study shows that contextual meaning of expressions were found on AvrilLavigne selected songs. It was found that there were 31 expressions that contain contextual meaning used in five song lyrics. Based on the finding, it is concluded that the contextual meaning and lexical meaning of expressions that contain contextual meaning on AvrilLavigne selected songs found is carried within words, phrase and sentences in five lyrics of AvrilLavigne selected songs. In conclusion in expressing her experience, a composer or songwriter manipulates words and or languages to create an appeal to the lyrics. Hopefully, through this study song loves, teachers, students, and all those people who like to listen songs to will be easy to understand the meaning and expressing of the song that contained in the songs they listen.

Key Words: *Contextual meaning; AvrilLavigne; song lyrics*

Abstrak

Penelitian ini bertujuan untuk mengetahui makna kontekstual ekspresi pada lagu-lagu piilihan Avril Lavigne. Penelitian ini dirancang dengan menggunakan metode kualitatif dengan pendekatan deskriptif untuk menganaliisis data yang terindikasi makna kontekstual yang yang terdapat pada lagu-lagu pilihan Avril Lavigne. sumber data penelitian ini adalah lirik lagu, dimana vokalisnya atau penyanyinya adalah Avril Lavigne dan peneliti memilih satu album yang terdiri dari beberapa lagu-lagu pilihannya. Teknik analisis data yang peneliti gunakan yaitu: reduksi data, penyajian data dan penarikan verifikasi. pengumpulan data dilakukan dengan menggunakan dokumentasi. Hasil penelitian ini menunjukan bahwa makna kontekstual ditemukan pada ekspresi pilihan-pilihan lagu Avril Lavigne. Dan disana ditemukan 31 ungkapan yang mengandung makna kontekstual dalam satu

album tetapi lima lirik lagu pilihan. Berdasarkan temuan tersebut, dapat disimpulkan bahwa makna kontekstual pada lagu-lagu pilihan Avril Lavigne, didalam lirik lagu tersebut terdiri dari kata, frasa, dan kalimat. Kesimpulannya adalah seorang pencipta lagu atau penulis lagu mereka menciptakan lagu berdasarkan pengalamannya. Setiap lirik lagu mempunyai makna tersendiri dalam mengungkapkan ekpresi untuk menciptakan daya tarik pada lirik lagu. Peneliti menyarankan pelajar bahasa inggris untuk mempelajari makna kontekstual dalam meningkatkan kosakatanya, bukan hanya dari lirik lagu, tetapi dari pidato, subtitle film dan lain sebagainya. Semoga melalui kajian lagu ini, semua orang yang suka mendengarkan lagu akan mudah memahami makna dan ungkapan lagu yang didengarkan.

Kata kunci: *Makna kontekstual; Avril Lavigne; lirik lagu*

A. Introduction

Language is the tool for human to communicate and interact with others. It means that language is very important in human life. We use language as a tool to express ideas, feelings and to build relationship with other people, because human cannot do interact and communicate each other without use language.

In addition, Linguistics is a scientific study of language.It involves analysis of language forms, language meaning, language in context etc. Phonology, morphology, syntax, pragmatics and semantics are the five basic components identified by linguistics.

In this study, the researcher focused on semantics. Semantics is one the branches of linguistics that study about meaning. According to Kreidler (1998:3), "Semantic is the systematic study of meaning". Semantic is one of the branch of linguistics which is concerned with the meaning of language. On the other hand, Semantic is the study of meaning in human language. According to Jakobson in Rahman (2014:37), "Language without meaning is meaningless". According to Kreidler (1998:3),"Semantic is the systematic study of meaning". Whereas, Crystal (2008:428) states that Semantics is a major branch of linguistics devoted to the study of meaning in language.

Meaning is the message conveyed by words, sentences, and symbols in context. In semantics there are kinds of meaning include lexical meaning, grammatical meaning and contextual meaning, referential and non referential meaning, denotative and connotative meaning, conceptual and associative meaning, and lexeme. But in this case, researcher would like to identify and find out about contextual meaning of expressions on AvrilLavigne selected songs. Lexical and contextual meaning are kinds of semantics. Lexical meaning isthe actual meaning of a word or sentences and refers to the meaning of word as it appears in a dictionary. While, contextual meaning is the meaning of a word inside a context that can found based on the situation or context which is occur.

Meaning is the general word denoting that which is intended to be or

actually is expressed or indicated. Studying meaning is studying how to produce the sentence which can be understood. According to Lyon (1981:136) "Meaning are ideas, or concept which can be transferred from mind of the speaker to the mind of the hearer". Whereas, According to Kreidler (1998:22), "The meaning of any sign depends on the space time context in which we observe it". The study of meanings of morphemes, words, phrases, and sentences is called semantic. It is considered with aspect of meaning in language. According to Chaer (2009:59-60),"Kind of meaning include a lexical, grammatical and contextual meaning, referential and non referential meaning, denotative and connotative meaning, conceptual and associative meaning, and lexeme". Contextual meaning is a linguistic meaning in context. According to Chaer 2012:290),"Contextual meaning is the meaning of a lexeme or words that are in one context". Contextual meaning could be regarded to the situation, where the time, the language usage environment. The contextual meaning in the form of word level can be seen from the following example.

- Grandmother's head was already full of white hair
- Headmaster gives prizes to students who achievers

Based on the explanation of sentence above, In the sentence both of used the word head, it means that, the uppermost part of human body, that is covered with hair. While, in the second sentences, the word of head, it means the head leader of school. It is clear that used of the same word, will have different meanings if the context it is also different. Furthermore, contextual meaning could be regarded to the situation, where the time, the language usage environment.

Semantics is the study of linguistic meaning. According to Murphy (2010:5). "The Lexical in lexical semantics refers to the lexicon". Which is organized into lexical entries, much as dictionary is organized into entries that pull together all the information on a headword (the word, typically in boldface type, at the start of a dictionary entry). Each of these lexical entries collects the appropriate information about a particular linguistic expression, called lexeme. Furthermore, Pateda (1986:64-65) states that "Lexical meaning is the meaning of the word when it stands alone, and it is free from other aspects such its usage context".

Generally Lyric is expression of the writer's feelings or composed for singing.Song is a musical composition intended to be performed by the human voice. This is often done at distinct and fixed pitches (melodies) using patterns of sound and silence. Songs contains various form, such as those including the repetition and variation of sections. Written words created especially for music, or for which music is specially created, are called lyricsThain (2013:237) "Lyric is an ancient form but one of uncertain generic status".

Researcher do the research because, sometimes there are same words but

have different meanings. it can make the readers or listeners being confused. to make it clearer, the researcher needs to do research. So that, the reader or listener does not misunderstand what they heard. What the singer meant, is it lexical or contextual meaning? beside that, learning about semantic is very important, because of the primary thing to be learned in mastery language is meaning. Meaning is the message conveyed by words, sentences, and symbols in context. Meaning is dealing with semantic, because semantic influences spelling, reading comprehension, and vocabulary. In the way to increase and enrich vocabulary, language users need to learned semantic, especially the contextual and lexical meaning. The lexical and contextual meaning not only found in the daily communication, but also can be found in literary works such as poems, novel, movies, song lyrics and so on. However, this research is interested in analyzing song lyrics. That's way researcher takes some selected songs by AvrilLavigne which is contains of contextual meaning of expressions on AvrilLavigne selected songs.

Song lyric is one of literary works and it has meaning. Song lyric contains word and language that expose the author's thoughts and feeling. So many people in this world like to listen of song. Listening song is one of the good way to learn the English language because songs can be easily remembered and also easily learned vocabulary. Song is part of music that consist of many lyrics and melody

that delivered by the musician about what their feeling which intending to be sung one of it is AvrilLavigne.

AvrilLavignean Canada singer, actress, and song writers. She was born and raised in Canada. Years active 1999-present. AvrilLavigne has released five album as solo artist. The albums are: Let Go as the first album, released on 2002,the second album is Under My Skin, released on 2004, became Lavigne's first album to reach the top of the Billboard200 chart in the United States, going on to sell 10 million copies worldwide. the third album is The Best Damn Thing, released on 2007, reached number one in seven countries worldwide and saw the international success of its lead single "Girlfriend", which is became her first single to reach the top of the Billboard Hot 100 in the united states. the fourth album is Goodbye Lullaby, released on 2011, and the fifth album is AvrilLavigne, released on 2013. Furthermore AvrilLavigne songs was received positive reviews from music critics, many of whom praised it production, lyrical content, and sultry sound. And the album was included in several yearend best music list by publications. In this research, will do researcher by selected songs of AvrilLavigne.Which consists of five songs. They are: When You're Gone, Wish You Were Here, My Happy Ending, Keep Holding On, Everything Back But You.

Based on the preliminary study, that analysis all of album AvrilLavigne there are some many lexical meaning of

expressions that contain contextual meaning in that researcher got. In this research, the researcher choose one album of songs. But, in one of album, there are five songs that researcher selected. The researcher select the song because the five songs have been fulfill the data that researcher analysis. that lyrics are applied and could be analyzed as the following:

> *We were made for each other*
> **Out** *here forever*
> *I know we were*
> *All I ever wanted was for you to know*
> *Everything I'd do, I'd give my heart and soul I can hardly breathe*
> *I need to feel you here with me*

The lyric above talk about the singer needs a someone special to be at her side forever and always be in her side whenever and whatever it is. She does not to be alone. Everything will be better when she through her day with her boyfriend. Additionally, the word in the bold one "out" the lexical meaning is away from the inside of a place or thing. While "out" in the contextual meaning is wants someone forever at her side.

Based on the explanation above, the researcher would like to do a research entitled "Contextual meaning on AvrilLavigne selected songs".

From all of aspects that can be analyzed in the song lyrics, the researcher chooses to analyzed the contextual and lexical meaning are based on AvrilLavigne selected song lyrics. From the background of the study the writer would like to write the problem of study as follow:

1. What are the contextual meaning of expressions on the AvrilLavigne songs?
2. What are the lexical meaning of expressions that contain contextual on the AvrilLavigne songs?

From the background the writer has objective of study, the objective of the study are:To find out the contextual meaning of expressions on AvrilLavigne and To find out lexical meaning of expressions that contain contextual meaning of expressions on AvrilLavigne.

B. Research Method

The researcher used descriptive qualitative method to analyze the data that indicated to lexical and contextual meaning on AvrilLavigne selected songs. Qualitative research involves collecting and analyzing non-numerical data (e.g., text, video, or audio) to understand concepts, opinions, or experiences. According to Auerbach and Silverstain (2003:3), "Qualitative research is research that involves analyzing and interpreting texts and interviews in order to discover meaningful patterns descriptive of a particular phenomenon". This method was used because this research used words, phrase, and sentence which is taken song lyrics on AvrilLavigne selected songs in discussing data.

In this study, the researcher used documentation and collects the data mainly from the songs of AvrilLavigne. There are some procedures that researcher use to collecting the data, those are:

1. Downloading the lyrics of AvrilLavigne' songs which is refers in into selected songs from internet.
2. Listening AvrilLavigne songs that has been selected
3. Reading comprehensively to know whether it contains contextual meaning and lexical meaning of expressions that contain contextual meaning on avrillavigne.
4. Selecting words, phrases, or sentence has been attached by contextual meaning of expressions and lexical meaning of expressions that contain contextual meaning on AvrilLavigne.
5. Analyzing words, phrases, sentences according to their categories whether lexical meaning of expressions that contain contextual meaning of AvrilLavigne.
6. Finally, made list of words, phrases, sentences of contextual meaning and contextual meaning that found on avrillavigne selected songs.

After collecting the data, researcher analyzed them. The data analysis in this research was content analysis. In analyzing the data, one of numerous research method used is content analysis. Content analysis is the study of content which refers to the meaning, contexts and intentions contained in messages or text. Content analysis is a research tool used to analyzed the data which determine the presence of certain words or concepts within texts or sets texts.

In analyzing the data, there are three steps flows of activity. They were data condensation, data display, and drawing and verifying conclusions (Miles, Huberman&Saldana , 2004:10-11).

1. Data Reduction

Data reduction is not something separate from analysis. Data condensation refers to the process of selecting, focusing simplifying, abstracting, and transforming the data that appear in the full corpus (body)of written-up fields notes, interview transcripts, documents and other empirical material. By condensing, we are making data stronger. The purpose of this research activity is to make researcher easier to classify data.

2. Data Display

The second steps is data display. Generally, a display is and organized compressed assembly of information that allows conclusion drawing and action. Data display helps us to understand what is happening and to do something either analyze further or take action based on that understanding. After the researcher get the data needed, researcher displays the data in a table form to make researcher easier in drawing conclusions.

3. Conclusion Drawing and Verification

The third stream of analysis activity is conclusions drawing and verifications. This is the last steps or activity in analyzing the data. In this level, researcher give descriptions or describe the result of analyzing the data. From the start of data collection, the qualitative analyst interprets what things means by nothing patterns,

explanations, casual flows, and propositions.

C. Research Finding and Discussion

Based on the research finding, there could be seen lexical meaning of expressions that contain contextual meaning that exit in every song. In the song When You're Gone the lexical meaning and contextual meaning are "Years, count, gone, face, miss, felt, smell, out, breathe." In the song Wish You Were Here lexical and contextual meaning are "Wall, running, crazy, damn, near." In the song My Happy Ending the lexical meaning and contextual meaning are "Hanging, thread, everything, fade away, friends, nice." In the song Keep Holding on the lexical meaning and contextual meaning are" "side, end, go, holding on, know, strong, nothing, truth." In the song Everything back but you the lexical and contextual meaning are "worst, postcard, somewhere".

Additionally, the song that contains the most lexical and contextual meaning is first in song one entitled When You're Gone, there are 9 expressions of lexical and contextual meaning on avrillavigne. second, in the song My Happy Ending, there are 6 expressing of lexical and contextual meaning, and the third in the song Keep Holding on, there are 8 expressing of lexical and contextual meaning. this song contains a very deep meaning or expression. Where this song expresses the feelings of someone who has lost his/her lover. This song tells about the feeling or longing that the songwriter experiences for other people he/she loves,

who have left her. this song implies that the presence we love will mean a lot if we have lost them. So, this song refers to feelings (Love story, Feeling, Losing, happiness, sadness and friendship).
Based on the research that has been done by researcher, the finding also was reliable with the theories that used in literature review and the finding also was reliable to previous research that related this study.

Considering the findings based on the data analysis done by the researcher, this section presented the discussion of the research finding. In this research, there was problem statement and the discussion was only focused on it. As mentioned before, the aim of this research was to described the lexical and contextual meaning that are found on AvrilLavigne selected songs. This research was carried out based on Chaer (2009), the types of meaning into types: lexical meaning, contextual meaning, and grammatical meaning, referential and non referential meaning, denotative and connotative meaning, conceptual and associative meaning. but, in this research, the researcher focused on lexical and contextual meaning. However, the theory was similar with the findings in this research that had been done by the researcher where those lexical and contextual meaning were exist in Avrillavigne selected songs. Moreover, compare the study with related research conducted by Septiana (2017), the result describe in the lexicon or dictionary. Second, by Wardani (2019) the result of study show that all types of context were found in Ban songs by KPI (Indonesian

Broadcasting Commission) they were context of situation, context purpose, mood and context of speaker, context of place, context of time and context of object.

Furthermore, the result of this research also found both lexical and contextual meaning on AvrilLavigne selected songs. Based on the theory, the researcher found the contextual meaning that occurred in the lyrics of the song. The contextual meaning and lexical meaning occurred in the song lyrics it was found 31 lexical and contextual meaning.

Furthermore, lexical meanings are actual meaning, meaning that are in accordance with the results of our sensory observations, or meaning as they are, while contextual meanings are the meaning of lexeme or words that are in one context, example "post card" is a peace of paper used to write a short message to someone. as the lexical meaning, while the contextual meaning of that expression is "the expression of someone who still doesn't accept any insincere word treatment".

From the discussion above, its clearly explained the lexical meaning are the actual meaning and we can found in the dictionary, and every the lexical meaning contains contextual meaning.

Based on the research that has been done by researcher, the finding also was reliable with the theories that used in literature review and the finding also was reliable to previous research that related this study.

D. Closing

Based on research findings and discussion, it can be concluded that lexical meaning of expressions that contain contextual meaning are the one important aspect which has been used on Avrillavigne selected songs. In AvrilLavigne selected songs, the meaning of selected songs, it can be concludeda songwriter/ a singer tells about her feeling and friendship. Where, the meaning of the selected song "When you're gone, wish you were here, my happy ending, keep holding on, and everything back but you" the singer/songwriter missing all the little things with that someone.

The singer points out that in the lyric of when you're gone. Such about a husband who is at war with his pregnant wife. All the little things he does are always focus on that persons, and new hopes that someone is there when she need it. and tell about a couple's that goes wrong and ends with saying goodbye to all the memories of their time together. So , the lyrics of this song tell how much a girl is hurt by all the fake love she gets from her partner. Tell about friendship, whatever problems that occur can be resolved. And rest assured that in this world we are not alone and will go through everything together, if there are loyal friends by our side. it is the song give the powerful impressions and message to the song. The data used in this research is the lyrics of AvrilLavigne selected songs, which consist of 5 songs. the result of this research is there are 31 lexical meaning of expressions that contain contextual meaning on Avrillavigne selected songs. the research shows there are 9 lexical

meaning of expressions that contain contextual meaning from the song of "When You're Gone" 5 lexical meaning of expressions that contain contextual meaning from the song of " Wish you were here" 6 lexical of expressions that contain contextual meaning from the song of "My happy ending" 8 lexical and also contextual meaning from the song of" Keep holding on" and the last 3 lexical and also contextual meaning from the song of "Everything back but you". Overall, the meaning contained in the lyrics of this song has many lessons that can be used a guide for life. It can concluded that, contextual meaning of expression on selected AvrilLavigne is not just entertainment but more than the meaning contained in it gives a warning, and guidelines for people's lives, especially, among young song lovers.

Based on the result of the research shows there are 31 contextual meaning of expressions on AvrilLavigne selected songs, from words, phrase, and sentences used in the five songs.

After conducting the research, the researcher proposed three suggestion for students, teachers, and next researchers with are presented below:

1. To English Learner
   For the students the researcher suggest to improve knowledge about contextual meaning and lexical meaning and aware more about the form and using the standard English. For English learner are suggested to study more the contextual meaning and lexical meaning not only from the book but also from another likes song lyric, Novel, movies and etc.

2. To English teacher
   The researcher suggests the teacher to teach about English semantics to students well, especially about Contextual meaning and lexical meaning. and the researcher also suggest the teacher to prepare themselves in learning and teaching. As addition, the teacher can used the theory of lexical and contextual meaning as material to teach and learning in increase their vocabulary.

3. To next researcher
   For the next researcher, the writer suggested to use different sources to find more of contextual and lexical meaning of the songs. And then, the writer suggested in this study can be a reference.

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