

CHAPTER I

INTRODUCTION

1.1 Background

Every human being who communicates through language may have distinct meanings and purposes, although they speak in the same language. Depending on how people use language to communicate, the same language may provide a variety of purposes in exchanging ideas and information. According to an article from (Fiska, 2022) Chaer states a language is a verbal tool used to communicate and also a process of conveying information in communication. The existence of language in human lives is also among the most essential things because of the role of language attempts in communication and interaction with people.

Human communication relationship shows that humans communicate by using language, which can make us communicate with others who can share opinions, such as information. According to an article from (Nursani, 2023) the KBBI states a language is a system of arbitrary sound symbols the community uses to cooperate, interact, and identify themselves. Language is also referred to as one of the communication systems used by humans, and it is also essential in human interaction relations to understand each other communication goals. Seeing how we use language in conveying information to others can be different information because everyone has their way of giving messages and thoughts.

Even though people use the same language, the language still has different meanings and functions with communication goals that can be the same or different based on their use. When humans use a language to communicate, they can use various variations of language natures. According to an article from (Fiska, 2022) language is a system that language used in an organized pattern that forms the whole of the discussion meaningful and functional as I Love You contains subject, verb, and object components that provide information as expressing a feeling so that the addressee can easily understand what the speaker conveyed, or language is diverse, even the language has the same pattern if the language was conveyed by speakers who have different social backgrounds and habits, the language becomes a diverse language such as Javanese spoken by the Solo with Malang, it certainly sounds different even though it is the same language.

It turns out that even though people use the same language with different natures, it can present different meanings and functions when people communicate because of their goals to the addressee. According to an article from (Sendari, 2021) the function of language includes communication, expression, or emotional release because in general, the function of language is as a means of social communication. Moreover, the function of language when someone communicates can be very diverse, seeing how the person wants to express themselves through spoken words.

From the explanation above, every human communication can cause a nature, meaning, or function of using the language even with the same language. With language that is arranged and patterned with the nature of language that is easy to understand, the meaning of language that the addressee can accept, and the function

of language that gives affective language that affects the addressee, it explains the human relationship in communicating is very influential on each other that can be as a bridge between humans in conveying thoughts, ideas, and information to others. With the function of language that occurs around or in human life, the research conducting on the phenomenon of language functions that occur between humans communicating, such as language functions that refer to the various ways language is used in social contexts in achieving specific goals and conveying messages.

The research study discusses the language functions as the topic, the reason for selecting the topic is none of any previous research specifically discusses language function by conducting theories in one expert and the same movie as the object. Research studies conduct various subjects in their language functions research by using different objects such as novels, speeches, movies, and social media as well as different theories either grand theory and context theory. In this research study uses a movie entitled "*Persuasion*" as the research object and emphasized analyzing the language function, social factor, and social dimension based on Janet Holmes (2013) which in one theory already includes these three sub-theories. Janet Holmes states six ways of categorizing language functions. They are Expressive, Directive, Referential, Metalinguistics, Poetic, and Phatic. Also, provides the social dimensions (1) A Social Distance, (2) A Status Scale, (3) A Formality Scale, and (4) Two Functional Scales., and the social factors (1) Participants (related to its uses), (2) topic (who is talking to whom), (3) setting (how the context of the interaction is happening), or (4) function. This research study aims to determine

how many kinds of language functions happened in *Persuasion* movie and how the utterances influenced social factors and social dimensions through the language functions. Therefore, this research study is about “A Sociolinguistics Analysis of Language Functions Used by The Main Character in *Persuasion* Movie” as the title of the research.

Persuasion movie was released in the United States on July 8th, 2022 before its streaming release on July 15th, 2022 by Netflix. The movie is based on the novel “*Persuasion*” written by Jane Austen. *Persuasion* is a 2022 United States romance-drama movie directed by Carrie Cracknell from a screenplay by Ron Bass and Alice Victoria Winslow. The main character *Anne Elliot* carried the movie by narrative interacting with the audience. The story of the movie is about an unmarried woman named *Anne Elliot* at her 27 year old still longing for her former love for 8 years. Frederick Wentworth, a man without fortune and rank who almost married Anne but was forced to separate their relationship due to persuasion from her family to not marry an untitled man. Then, they meet again, Frederick with rank as a captain and also rich now. It gives Anne such a second chance with Frederick but Anne must choose between listening to her heart after longing for 8 years for Frederick or still easily being persuaded by her family.

1.2 Limitation of The Problem

Limitations are necessary in the research study to clarify the study's limitations will help keep it on focus. The research study focuses and limit on *A Sociolinguistics Analysis of Language Functions Used by The Main Character in Persuasion Movie*. This research focuses on language functions as the main topic

conducting Janet Holmes's (2013) theories with the limitation of only concentrating on the types of language functions and understanding the influence of social factors and social dimensions through the language functions uttered by the main character *Anne Elliot* in *Persuasion* movie.

1.3 Research Questions

1. What kinds of language functions are used by the main character of *Persuasion* movie?
2. How does the social factors and the social dimensions influence the functions of language used by Anne Elliot as the main character in *Persuasion* Movie?

1.4 Objectives of The Research

1. To identify the language functions used by the main character of *Persuasion* movie.
2. To comprehend how social factors and social dimensions influence the functions of language used by Anne Elliot with other character.