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Genius is 1% inspiration and 99% perspiration
(Thomas Alva Edison)

Don’t shrink your dream, super-size you courage and abilities
(Karen Salmansohn)

If you want to be success, just go doing hard work!
(Mujito)

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ABSTRACT

Language is used as a communication tool in the people’s social interaction. Language has several variations. One of them is slang. Slang is the existence of a new vocabulary and its meaning that is created from an old word by a certain group of society related to their need in social communication. This study is specifically related to slang which has the following research problems: (1) What slangs are found in “Missing You” novel written by Meg Cabot? (2) What are the contextual meaning of the slangs found in “Missing You” novel written by Meg Cabot? (3) What kinds of slang are found in “Missing You” novel written by Meg Cabot?

The writer applied descriptive qualitative research design in conducting this study because the data were collected in the form of words, not number. The object of the study was slangs found in “Missing You” novel written by Meg Cabot. The data were collected based on the following steps: (1) reading and comprehending the novel under investigation; (2) identifying the slang used in the novel; (3) collecting the slangs found in the novel. Then, the procedure of data analysis included the following steps: (1) classifying the slangs into their kinds; (2) describing each kind of the slang; (3) describing the contextual meaning of the slang; (4) drawing conclusion.

Based on the data analysis, it was found that there were 45 slangs in the novel “Missing You” by Meg Cabot. They were used in an informal context of teenagers’ daily conversation. The meaning of slang could be found out in slang dictionary based on its context. It was categorized as general slang. Also, there was a slang whose meaning could not be found out in the dictionary. It was categorized as specific slang which was only used by certain people or society. The reader had to comprehend the context of the story to get the meaning of a specific slang. From 45 slangs found in the novel, 44 were categorized as general slangs and only one of them was classified as specific slang.

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