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ABSTRACT

Writing is one way of communication through written text. For example, we can communicate to others by writing an article of argumentation, opinion and report. In this case, we have to make the statements clear and easily understood by the readers. Therefore, it needs enough linkers to connect among the ideas. One of them is transitional words. Langan (2010: 67) stated that “transitions are words and phrases that indicated relationships between ideas”. In other words, it is very important to make sentences or paragraphs in the articles are cohesively related. Magazine is one of printed media that provide articles. So, the main objective of this study is to find out the types of transitional words, to identify the most dominant type of transitional words and to explain the function of transitional words used in the articles of Progresio magazine.

This study used descriptive research design. In this case, the researcher firstly analyzed transitional words used in those articles and then classified them based on their types. Following that, the researcher analyzed their contribution and described as well as their function. The data in this study were obtained from document. The documents were the articles of Progresio magazine published in 2013. Here, the researcher took fifteen articles and then displayed the result of analysis in a percentage.

Based on the result analysis, it was found 318 items which involved of all types of transitional words. The transitional words were transitional word for addition, for cause and effect, for order of importance, for comparison and contrast, for giving example and transitional word for conclusion. Furthermore, the finding of this study showed that the most dominant type of transitional words in Progresio magazine published in 2013 was transitional word for addition 147 (46.2%) items. In addition, it was expressed by the words “and”. In general, the function of transitional words which were found in the articles of Progresio magazine published in 2013 showed that they had important role to make sentences and even paragraphs cohesively related. Finally, from findings of this study, it is expected to give clear information and description about transitional words including the types and the function of transitional word used in Progresio magazine.

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