A STUDY ON THE DIFFICULTIES FACED BY THE DEBATERS OF UNIVERSITY OF MUHAMMADIYAH MALANG IN JOINING AUSTRALASIAN PARLIAMENTARY SYSTEM DEBATE CONTEST

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ABSTRACT

Debating is about developing communication skill. Debating is not about personal abuse, irrational attack or purely emotional appeals. The aim of the debate is how to convince the adjudicators.

This study aimed to describe the difficulties faced by the debaters of University of Muhammadiyah Malang in joining Australasian Parliamentary System debate contest. This study concerned on the difficulties of the debaters of University of Muhammadiyah Malang that followed Indonesian Varsity English Debate (IVED) conducted at University of Ahmad Dahlan Jogjakarta. They consist of 6 debaters which were the representative of University of Muhammadiyah Malang that came from English Student Association (ESA/PROGRESSIO) and International Language forum (ILF).

The data of this study was taken from the guideline of Australasian Parliamentary System (APS) and the result of the interview. From those data the writer analyzed the difficulties of the debaters of University of Muhammadiyah Malang when they followed Indonesian Varsity English Debate contest.

This study was descriptive research that described the information of current status of phenomenon. The writer analyzed the difficulties of the debaters when they followed Australasian Parliamentary System debate contest.

The results of this study informed that the debaters of University of Muhammadiyah Malang got the difficulties both non linguistically (system) and linguistically. The non linguistic (system) were: matter (content), manner (delivery), method (structure), motion, definition, theme line, challenge, roles of speakers and reply speech. Meanwhile, the linguistic problems consist of: limited vocabulary, flow of speech, clarity of expression and pronunciation.

Eventually, the writer suggests that the debaters of University of Muhammadiyah Malang enlarge their proficiencies in debate especially for Australasian Parliamentary System debate by joining many debate competitions whether in East java or in Indonesia. Mastering that system will bring many advantages for the debaters and for the University of Muhammadiyah Malang. The writer does hope to other researcher to observe the interest of the students of University of Muhammadiyah Malang in joining Australasian Parliamentary System debate.