

CHAPTER I

INTRODUCTION

In this section, the researcher provides an overview related to the research carried out. This section consists of background of the study, delimitation of the study, research questions, purposes of the study, the significance of the study and definition of key terms.

A. Background of the study

Writing is a way of expressing thoughts, ideas, and feelings through writing. The writing process is not just recording words but also a form of self-expression. Bazerman et al. (2018) reveals that writing is an activity with productive and performative capacity. A piece of writing produced by a writer is intended to provide information, give orders, or influence readers. So, to achieve these goals, writers need to create coherent sentences or writing structures.

Writing literary works in the form of writing is a challenge for writers, especially those who are still at the level of learners. The difficulty that may be faced by these writers is the ability to express all ideas or thoughts in the form of writing. In text writing, the writer must be able to organize each paragraph or sentence into a logical and coherent sequence. Wolfram (2011) reveals that some of the problems in writing experienced the most were coherent parts. In addition, creating an interesting and engaging piece of writing can be a challenging task, requiring creativity and attention to detail. Thus, writing not only requires the

ability to write but also requires paying attention to the flow of the text so as to convey the message or idea to the reader appropriately.

Literary works in the form of writing are very diverse, including narrative, descriptive, explanatory, procedure, exposition, argumentative, review, and report texts. Within the large scope of these types of text types, there is also a research article. A research article is a form of scientific writing that describes the results of research that has been carried out. Research articles serve as a means to share new knowledge, build scientific literature, and contribute to a particular field of research. According to Afrizon et al. (2018) research articles are a product of academic activities in the world of higher education. Thus, the preparation of research articles needs to be considered because it contains the findings and results of research by researcher.

Research articles are an important contribution to the scientific world, helping to build knowledge and encourage progress in various fields of study. In a research article, the researcher presents the results and describes them so that they can be easily understood by the reader Afrizon et al. (2018). The purpose of a research article is to convey the results of research in a clear, systematic, and documented manner. This article contains knowledge, communicates methods, findings, and data analysis. The importance of research articles in various fields requires that the writing of scientific articles be done systematically and coherently.

Writing a research article is not easy because the researcher need to arrange sentences into a paragraph that contains meaning. Sujito & Muttaqien

(2016) states that ELT students' writing is still less coherent and less comprehensive. Simanjuntak (2022) shows from the results of research that articles written by native speakers and non-native speakers have differences. In the research of Afrizon et al. (2018) provides advice to researcher to use different objects. The research conducted was a study using a research article in the introduction section written by international writers. The result of the research is that researchers found the use of move 1 and step 2 in the dominant move 1. This is of interest to the researcher who want to analyze research articles written by Indonesian writers. The researcher will examine research articles in the introduction section written by Indonesian writers. So, the researcher are interested in researching rhetorical moves in analyzing introductions in research articles.

Rhetorical patterns are a writing style that pays attention to the arrangement of patterns and structures in a text. The text is oral or written and aims to provide information to readers and listeners. The arrangement of rhetorical patterns aims to provide strong emotional ideas, organize strong arguments, and make ideas more structured Subakti (2016) . Organized and structured patterns can provide emotional ideas, referring to ideas that are able to influence and build emotions in individuals who experience them as readers. The existence of strong emotional ideas plays an important role in an effort to inspire, influence, and motivate others.

In this study, the researcher tried to fulfill the suggestions given by Afrizon et al. (2018) . They suggest that future researcher use objects that are

different from their research and use their research results as a reference in conducting research. In the research that has been done by them using research articles written by international authors, Therefore, this study will use the work of Indonesian authors who have published their research articles in Sinta 3.

Writing is a productive activity to express the writer's thoughts, ideas, or feelings. Activities that produce meaningful writing will be a challenge for novice writers, especially if writing in a foreign language, for example, English. Writing products are very diverse; for example, report text in the form of a research article. The existence of this research article makes a major contribution to adding insight and improving development in various fields. This is one of the challenges for Indonesian writers because they must write in a foreign language that contains meaning. In order to achieve writing results, writers need to pay attention to rhetorical patterns in writing patterns in organizing patterns and structures in the text. Thus, in this study, the researcher tried to fulfill the suggestion of Afrizon et al. (2018) to use other objects in their research as a reference.

B. Research Question

Based on the background, the researcher formulated the problem statements to be answered in the data analysis and discussion. The research question of this study is “How is the rhetorical moves of research article introduction section written by Indonesian writers?”

C. Purpose of the study

Based on the research question of this study, so the purpose of the study is to explain the rhetorical moves of research article introduction section written by Indonesian writers.

D. Delimitation

This study focuses on the moves that used in research articles written by Indonesian writers. The research articles studied were taken from journals in Sinta 3. This research was conducted to find out the understanding of Indonesian writers when writing research articles, especially in the introduction section.

E. Significance of the study

This study was conducted to analyze and find out the use of rhetorical patterns by Indonesian writers in writing their research article in the introduction section. This research provides benefits for readers and leads to further research that has similar topics, namely:

1. For readers

The researcher hopes that the results of this study can be useful and increase readers' knowledge of the rhetorical patterns used by Indonesian writers in their research article in the introduction section.

2. For other researchers

The researcher hopes that the results of this study can provide new information on similar topics, namely on rhetorical patterns in the introduction, and that further researchers can also find out the novelty of the topic to strengthen the chosen topic.

F. Definition of key terms

The keywords in this research are rhetorical patterns and the introduction section.

1. A rhetorical pattern

A rhetorical pattern is a strategy or approach used by the writer to attract the attention and interest of readers. Rhetorical patterns are an analytical tool in a text to identify text-writing patterns.

2. Research article

A research article is a writing that contains a research report. The purpose of a research article is to provide a report on what has been done during research, provide new information to readers, and find new things or fill in the GAP in previous research. Research article is a written report that is neatly written and structured which generally consists of introduction, method, findings and discussion, and ends with a conclusion.

3. Introduction section

Introduction section is the first part of an academic paper. The existence of an introduction in a paper can provide a stimulus for the reader to what will be discussed by the researcher. Writing the introduction section in a structured manner can give the reader confidence in what will be discussed and written by the researcher.