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The Effect of Using Mind Mapping Strategy and Power Strategy on the Students' Skill in Writing Descriptive Text

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Abstract

The objective of this study is to examine and to compare the effectiveness of using mind mapping and POWER strategy on the students writing descriptive text of first grade. For this purpose the researcher the sample comprised 60 students studying at class VII 1 and VII 3 of SMP N.31 Medan. Each class and of 30 students. There are two groups of the students in this study, they are experimental group and control the experimental group was taught by Mind Mapping strategy and control group was taught by Plan, write, Edit, Rewrite (POWER) strategy. The insurament for collecting the data was writing descriptive favorite person. It was consisted about 100 words. After scoring the data, the data were analyzed by the formula. The analysis shown that thest is 4.61 while that is 2000. It means that thest is higher than the degree of freedom 58, and the level significance 0.05. The result shows that the hypothesis of this accepted. In other, Mind Mapping strategy significantly affects the students' writing skill in descriptive

mind mapping strategy, POWER strategy, writing descriptive text

Background of the Study

Writing is one of the basic language skills that are important to be learnt in learning language.

is a means to convey message, ideas and feeling through written form. Writing is very
and difficult activity. It is not only in terms of structure but also vocabulary, punctuation,
and spelling.

Writing can be as one way to express feeling and idea. People can find the right way to express feeling and idea in writing. Writing is productive skill which is very important to be learnt for the because it can convey their message through their minds in the written form. Without having be will not be able to convey one's ideas.

Based on the curriculum of junior high school which was recommended by the government, have to master some of genres, one of them is descriptive text. Descriptive text is a text to particular person, place, or thing in detail. In learning descriptive text the students feel because they have to write the topic that has been given by the teacher. They have to express a written form.

Most of the students couldn't deliver their ideas in written form correctly. If the teacher students to write some genre text especially in descriptive text, they felt difficult in the text based on the social function, structure and the lexicogrammatical features of the leady in descriptive text.

students' reluctance to write is they rarely write although in their native language. They make mistake in writing. They think in their mind all of about their writing is full errors.

They might some ideas in their mind but it is hard for them to ideas in written form.

From this problem, the writer has to find the strategies that can solve the students' problem writing descriptive text. In this research the writer will use the two teaching strategies they are many mapping strategy and POWER (Plan, Organize, Write, Edit, Rewrite) strategy.

Mind maps work well as their visual design enables students to see the relationship between ideas, and encourages them to group certain ideas together as they proceed. Mind maps work especial well when created in groups, since the discussion this engenders aids the production of ideas, makes the task livelier and more enjoyable. Mind mapping strategy is a teaching strategy that requi students to draw a diagram used to outline information represented by pictures and color. It's a strategy to be applied because the students can generate, visualize, structure and classify idea = solving the problem.

POWER is a strategy in teaching that has a sequence. According to Brookes (2003:59 POWER strategy has three stages. The first stage is a prewriting stage and includes the planning organizing steps. The second stage is actually writing and includes the writing step. The third same the post writing stage and includes the editing and revising steps. By applying the two strategies expected can help the students' problem in writing descriptive text.

The Objective of the study

The objectives of the study is to find whether mind mapping strategy and POWER and Organize, Write, Edit, Rewrite) strategy can improve the students writing descriptive text.

The Scope of the Study

In this study the writer focuses the problem on the students' writing descriptive text mind mapping strategy and POWER (Pian, Organizo, Write, Edit, Rewrite) to the students on students of SMP N 31 Medan

The Statistical Hyphotesis

- (1) H1: Teaching writing by using mind mapping strategy is more effective to improve students in descriptive text.
- (2) Ho: Teaching writing by using POWER strategy is not effective to improve students descriptive text.

MindMapping

mapping was invented by an author and lecturer on learning and thinking technique Buzan. According to Buzan states by using mind mapping the students can throw away consuming note.

As Alamsyah (2009:60) in Riswanto journal explained that Mind maps work visual design enables students to see the relationship between ideas, and encourages them are certain ideas together as they proceed. Mind maps work well when created in groups discussion this engenders aids the production of ideas, and makes the task livelier and more

According to Eppler (2006:185) in Supriyanto Journal said that Mind mapping teaching technique that requires students to draw a diagram used to outline information requires pictures and color.

The concept of this strategy is putting one word in a center which is as the general idea from the mind of writer. Then, there is another word surrounding this one word which is intended to specify the general idea. This enable students to write down many words as it is to specify the previous words that are still general. The visualization of this concept is like spider diagrams or mind webs. The advantage of using this strategy is enabling students to think what to write by having word visualization as their reference. Word visualization that are written in mind map give the students the idea what to write part by part. More than that, as mind maps consists of some pictorial information. It also enables students to activate the right side of the brain (Widura 2008: 185).

The Advantages of Mind Mapping

The advantage of using this strategy is enabling students to think what to write by having word visualization as their reference. Word visualization that are written in mind map give the students the idea what to write part by part. 1). In the case of mind mapping might be marginal According to (Farrand et al. 2002b:23) in Davis Martin. It is generally easier to remember a diagram than to remember a description.

Others have suggested, however, that content is more central to learning than the format in which that content is presented (Pressley et al. 1998:23) in Davis Martin.

The advantages of mind mapping include its "free-form" and unconstrained structure. There are no limits on the ideas and links that can be made, and there is no necessity to retain an ideal structure or format.

Mind mapping thus promotes creative thinking. Using mind mapping should be spontaneous. The students can develop their idea through mind mapping naturally. The advantages of mind mapping itself can be concluded as follow:

- L To help the learner to concentrate in memorizing the information or event that occurred.
- 2. To make the students are able to summarize the lesson by themselves.
- To improve students' creativity
- To make the students are easy to write and enjoy in learning process.

POWER Strategy

POWER is a strategy in teaching that has a sequence. According to Brookes in Ponjaitan Daniel (2003:59) the POWER strategy has three stages. The first stage is a prewriting stage and accludes the planning and organizing steps. The second stage is actually writing and includes the editing step. The third stage is the post writing stage and includes the editing and revising steps.

The purpose of teaching this process is to provide explicit instruction to students on how to mile, in this example, an effective factual paragraph, keeping in mind the characteristics of students writing difficulties and the principles of effective instruction (NSW Department of Education and maining 2007: 95) in Panjaitan Daniel

The POWER strategy provides explicit instruction to students on how to write, in this ample, an effective factual paragraph, keeping in mind the characteristics of students with writing faculties and the principles of affective instruction. According to Englert in Panjaitan Daniel (1988), WER stands for Prepare, Organize, Write, Edit, and Rewrite.

Research Design

This study has been conducted by using experimental quantitative.

research divided the population into two experimental groups. The first group was given the ment of mind mapping strategy and the second group was given the treatment of POWER (Plan, Write, Edit, Re-write) strategy.

Table 2
Research Design of Two Group Pretest and Posttest Design

Group	Pretest	Treatment	Posttest
E,	T ₁	X1	T _L
E ₂	T ₂	<i>X</i> ₂	T ₂
$\chi_2 = Implen$	entation of Mind Mappo entation of POWER (Pl t of Mind Mappine struc	an, Organize, Write, Edit, H	Re-write) str

- Posttest of POWER (Plan, Organize, Write, Edit, Re-write) strategy

Population and Sample

The population of this research is the grade ten of SMP N 31 Medan. There are eleverated of the students for grade seven is 240 students. But the researcher took 2 classes they and VII-3 class. The students in VII-1 consist of 30 students and for VII-3 consists of 30 students are for choosing mind mapping strategy and POWER strategy in teaching and learning class VII 1 and VII 3 in academic year 2016/2017 never applied mind mapping and POWER

The sample was selected by using random sampling technique. Each class was written slip of paper and places them in a box. The box was shaken and the slips were selected until as the samples. The first slip was taken out as experimental class and the second slip was control class.

The Instrument of Collecting the Data

This research spent three weeks for doing the experiment. They were experiment control class. Experimental class was given Mind Mapping strategy and control class. POWER (Plan, Organize, Write, Edit and Re-write) strategy. The total of the treatments are six meetings. The researcher will hold three meetings for each class. The material given during this research are all about descriptive text especially writing descriptive tent in the first meeting, the researcher taught students about the generic structure of description generic features of descriptive text. In the second meeting, the material was taught for how to write descriptive text. The materials were given to both classes: experimental class. Before giving the treatment, the researcher administered a pretest and after the researcher gave a posttest to both classes.

The Procedure of the Research

Table 3.2 The Steps of Experimental Group 1

Ne	Teacher activity	Students activity
1,	Teacher enters to the classroom. The teacher greets the students to open the class	The students give their respond to politeness
2.	Teacher gives pre-test to the students	The students do the pre-test
3.	Teacher explains about descriptive text. The teacher explains about social function, generic structure and lexicogrammatical features of descriptive text) and then the teacher explains about the application of mind mapping strategy. The first the students	The students pay attention to the explanation about descriptive explanation

	write a topic at the center in a piece of paper. For example mother. And then they generate branch or webs. The students can create many branches as much as they want by using many colours to stimulate their creativity.	
4.	Teacher asks the students to write descriptive text about describing people.	The students start to write descriptive text
5.	The teacher asks the students to write down the descriptive text on the white board	The students come in front of the class and write down their task about descriptive text.
6.	The teacher corrects the students' task that have written on the blackboard	The students try to analyze to their friend task,
7.	The teacher evaluates the students' work as well as possible	The students pay attention to the teacher's short explanation
8.	After the teacher collects the students' task, the teacher does reflection about the subject	The students say their difficulties while doing the task.

Table 3.3
The Steps of control Group

No	Teacher activity	Students activity
1.	Teacher enters to the classroom. The teacher greets the students to open the class	The students give their respond to show their politeness
2.	Teacher gives pre-test to the students	The students do the pre-test
1	Teacher explains about descriptive text. The teacher explains about social function, generic structure and lexicogrammatical features of descriptive text and then the teacher explains about the application of POWER strategyThe first the students prepare themselves to write and brainstorm their knowledgeThe second the students review notes of their ideas and organize these in an outline using the main ideas of your paper as the major headingsThe third is writing the outline and note cards as guides for writing your paper and write complete sentences for the phrases on the note cards.	The students pay attention to the teacher explanation about descriptive text.
	The fourth is the students have to do edir by checking all spelling capitalization, punctuation, order of words, and grammar. They check whether your ideas are well- stated.	

	- It may be helpful to read their paper aloud as a way of checking for errors. - The fifth is rewrite. Based on their editing, rewrite your paper. Reread it one last time before turning it in.	
4.	Teacher asks the students to write descriptive text about describing people.	The students start to write descriptive text
5.	The teacher asks the students to write down the descriptive text on the white board.	The students come in front of the class and write down their task about descriptive text.
6.	The teacher corrects the students' task that have written on the blackboard	The students try to analyze to their friend task
7.	The teacher evaluates the students' work as well as possible	The students pay attention to the teacher's short explanation
8.	After the teacher collects the students' task, the teacher does reflection about the subject	The students say their difficulties while doing the task.

Validity refers to the extent to which the result of an evaluation procedure serve the part uses for which they are intended (Gronlund, 1981:65) in Sembiring, Jenita Anjani. It is important measure the student's ability in writing descriptive text. In this case, the research used content establish the validity of the instrument. The reason for choosing content validity is because validity refers to the extent to which instrument represents the content of interest. In order content validity, a measure must adequately sample both the topics and cognitive processes incl the content universe under consideration.

Reliability

Reliability is necessary characteristic of any good test. Reliability refers to the existent test. A test will be reliable if it gives the same result when it will be given to different pour occasion. To obtain the reliability of the test, person product moment was applied (Best 2002

$$:=\frac{N(\Sigma XX)-(\Sigma X)(\Sigma X)}{\sqrt{(N\Sigma X^2-(\Sigma X)^2)(\Sigma X)^2}}$$

According to Aruan (2007) in Sembiring Jenita Anjani (2015:39) the reliability the terms categorized as follows:

0.0-0.20	the reliability is very low
0.0-0.40	the reliability is low
0.41-0.60	the reliability is fair
0.61-0.80	the reliability is high
0.81-above	the reliability is very high

Technique of Data Analysis

To know the development of the student, the mean of the student test is computed and analyzed the data. In analyzing the data the writer does the strategy:

1. Scoring the pre-test and post-test for Experimental group 1 which is taught by Mind Mapping strategy and Experimental group 2 that is taught by POWER strategy, the writer will use t-test formula... And find out the mean score for each group by using:

$$M = \frac{\sum x}{N}$$

In which:

M = The mean of the students

 Σx = The total score

N = The number of the students

To know the differences between the groups Experimental group 1 which is taught by Mind Mapping strategy and Experimental group 2 that is taught by POWER strategy, the writer will use t-test formula. The formula is:

$$t = \frac{Ma - Mb}{\sqrt{\frac{da^2 + db^2}{Na + Nb - 2Na^2} \frac{A}{Nb}}}$$

Where: Ma

=mean of experimental group 1

Mb

=mean of experimental group 2

da

=standard deviation of experimental group's scores

=standard deviation of control group's scores

Na

=total number sample of experimental group =total number sample of control group

Nb

Drawing the conclusion and answer the hypothesis

Writing some findings.

3. Data Analysis

The data analysis in this research is the calculation scores of the students in experimental and control group. To know the differences scores between the students in experimental group and control group, the writer used t-test. The calculation of the t-test can be seen as in the following below:

Table 4.3 The Calculation of Experimental Group

Students' Initial Name	Pre-Test (XI)	Post-Test (X2)	X2-X1 (d)	Square of Deviation (dx)2
U .	60	90	30	900
MK -	70	88	18	324
ICP .	50	85	35	1225
IS .	55	95	40	1600
15	56	75	19	361
IS	40	70	30	900

n m	58	85	27	729
DIP	60	90	30	900
EES	50	70	20	400
ERGS	65	90	25	625
ERSPP		85	23	529
ERG	62	90	20	400
ENSB	70		14	196
FBP	59	73	18	324
FASG	60	78		625
FMF	70	95	25	100
HIPT	60	70	10	625
IS	55	80	25	
JJM	50	68	18	324
KDFG	65	87	22	484
MRFP	60	70	10	100
MDAP	60	70	10	100
MS	60	82	22	484
MLP	70	80	10	100
MZP	64	95	31	961
	66	87	21	441
NPP	55	70	15	225
NEG	75	97	22	484
NH	70	90	20	400
RS	65	70		25
RSBKT	52	54	5 2	4
RFM		2429	617	14895
Total	1812	2427	01,	
Mean	60.4	80.96	20.56	

Table 4.3 shows that the mean score of experimental group as follows:

$$Mx = \frac{\sum d}{Nx}$$

$$= \frac{617}{30}$$

$$= 20.56$$

The deviation square of experimental group is calculated as follows:

$$Dx^{2} = (\sum a^{2}) - \frac{(\sum d_{3})^{2}}{8x}$$

$$Dx^{2} = 14895 - \frac{(617)^{2}}{30}$$

$$Dx^{2} = 14895 - \frac{330685}{20}$$

$$Dx^{2} = 14895 - 12689.63$$

 $Dx^2 = 2205.37$

From the calculation above, it can be seen that the mean of the experimental group is 20.56 and the deviation is 2205.37. Then the data of control group can be seen in table 4.4 as the following.

Table 4.4 The Calculation of Control Group

NO		Pre-Test (y1)	Pre-Test (y2)	y2-y1 (d)	Square of Deviation (dy)2
1.	ARP	50	68	18	324
2.	AYATS	78	82	4	16
3.	ADF	54	58	4	16
4.	ASL	66	77	11	121
5.	AH	65	74	9	81
6.	AW	40	60	20	400
7.	AP	60	65	5	25_
8.	AH	54	70	16	256
9.	BSP	35	50	15	225
10.	BNC	30	50	20	400
11.	DJR	65	75	10	100
12.	DMP	54	68	14	196
13.	EPD	30	54	24	576
14.	FNPP	66	80	14	196
15.	GJD	48	55	7	49
16.	IZ	54	69	15	225
17.	JARS	61	79	18	324
18.	JPS	60	78	18	324
19.	LS	56	68	12	144
20.	LP	57	63	6	36
21.	MMS	59	62	3	9
22.	MYEM	68	70	2	4
24.	MR	68	71	3	9
	NE	55	69	14	196
5. 6.	NAP	60	74	14	196
7.	NW DDC	32	54	22	484
8.	PPS	55	60	5	25
9.	PJG	61	72	11	121
	PMA	51	60	9	81
U.	RH	60	64	4	16
	Total	1652	1999	347	5175
	Mean	55.06	66.63	11.56	

Table 4.4 shows that the mean score of control group as follows:

$$My = \frac{\sum d}{Ny}$$

= 11.56

 $^{=\}frac{347}{30}$

The deviation square of control group is calculated as follows:

$$Dy^2 = \sum d^2 - \frac{(\sum d)^2}{Ny}$$

$$Dy = 5175 - \frac{(847)^2}{20}$$

$$Dy^2 = 5175 - \frac{(120409)}{20}$$

$$Dy^2 = 5175 - 4013.63$$

$$D_{y}^{2} = 1161.37$$

From the calculation above, it can be seen that the mean of the experimental group is 113 and the deviation is 1161.37.

From the data, t-test value is calculated as follows:

Mx : 20.56

 $dx^2 : 2205.37$

Nx :30

My : 11.56

dy2 : 1161.37

Ny :30

Analyzing the Data by using t-test formula

To find out whether or not the use of mind mapping strategy and POWER strateginificantly effects the students' ability in writing descriptive text. The data were calculated applying t-test formula. The test formula is as follows:

$$t = \frac{Ma - Mb}{\frac{\int da^2 + da^2 - 1}{\sqrt{Na + Nb - 2Na} + \frac{1}{Na}}}$$

Where: Ma = mean of experimental group

Mb mean of control group

da =standard deviation of experimental group's scores

db =standard deviation of control group's scores

Na =total number sample of experimental group

Nb =total number sample of control group

$$t = \frac{20.56 - 11.56}{\sqrt{\frac{2205.37 + 1161.37}{30 + 30 - 2}} \frac{1}{30} + \frac{1}{30}}$$

$$t = \frac{9}{\sqrt{\frac{5525.74 \text{ T}}{58.59}}}$$

$$t = \frac{9}{\sqrt{58.047.24} (0.066)}$$

$$t = \frac{9}{\sqrt{3.8311178}}$$

$$t = \frac{9}{1.95}$$

$$t = 4.61$$

Based on the calculation above, it is found that t-observe is 4.61, then compared to the t-table at the df (degree of freedom) 58 (obtain from n1+n2-2=30+30-2=58). Since t-observe (4.61) is bigger than t-table (2.000). It means that there is significant effect of using mind mapping strategy on the students' skill in writing descriptive text.

Testing the Reliability of the Test

The reliability of the test is in intended to find out whether the test is reliable or not. Inter rater reliability was used to calculate the reliability of the test. The data were calculated by using Person Product Formula. Reliability of the test can be categorized as following:

0.0 - 0.20 = very low0.21 - 0.40 = low

0.41 - 0.60 =fair

0.61 - 0.80 =high

0.81 -1.00 = very high

Testing the Reliability of the test

Table 4.5

Testing Reliability of the Test

80	Students'	Rate 1 (X)	Rate 1 (X)	$\sum X^2$	$\sum Y^2$	ΣΧΥ
	AD	66	66	4356	5041	4686
	ANR	51	51	2601	2809	2703
1	AR	71	71	5041	4489	4757
	AS	66	66	4356	4761	4554
	BS	68	68	4624	5329	4964
	BS	71	71	5041	5184	5112
	ST	51	51	2601	2401	2499
	SS	52	52	2704	3364	3016
	SG	68	68	4624	4900	4760
-	DT	69	69	4761	5041	
	DP	73	73	5329	5776	4899
	EJ	55	55	3025	3364	5548 3190
	GR	60	60	3600	3249	
	ID	68	68	4624	5329	3420
	IP	74	74	5476	4761	4964 5106
	IM	58	58	3364	3481	
	JJ	61	61	3721	3481	3422 3599
	JK	64	64	4096	4761	4416
	NG	58	58	3364	4900	4060
	RP	73	73	5329	5329	
	RE	66	66	4356	4761	5329
	SR	77	77 -	5929	6084	4554
	SF	67	67	4489	4096	6006
	FC	55	55	3025	3600	4288
	ST	73	73	5329	6561	3300
	VS	66	66	4356	3721	5913 4026

27	YS	79	79	6241	6561	6399
28	YN	58	58	3364	4096	3712
29	ŶW	65	65	4225	3721	3965
30	YNA	72	72	5184	5184	5184
-	TOTAL	1955	2007	129135	136135	3923685

Note:

$$N = 30$$

$$\Sigma X = 1955$$

$$\Sigma Y = 2007$$

$$\sum X^2 = 129135$$

$$\Sigma Y^2 = 136135$$

$$\Sigma XY = 3923685$$

$$r = \frac{N(\sum XY) - (\sum X)(\sum Y)}{\sqrt{[N\sum X^2 - (\sum X)^2] [N\sum Y^2 - (\sum X)^2]}}$$

$$r = \frac{30(132351) - (1955)(2007)}{\sqrt{[30(129135) - (1955)^2](30(136135 - (2007)^2)]}}$$

$$r = \frac{3970530 - 3923685}{\sqrt{3874050 - 3822025)(4028049)}}$$

$$r = \frac{3970530 - 3923685}{\sqrt{(52025)(56601)}}$$

$$r = \frac{46845}{\sqrt{2913452025}}$$

$$r = \frac{46845}{53976}$$

$$r = 0.86$$

From the calculation above, the result of reliability is 0.86. it can be that the reliability of the test is high to very high.

The Validity of the Test

This study is conducted the construct validity. The validity of conducted by a try out to check the clarity of the test and to measure the test. The try out was given to other students at the same level with expectation of 30 students. They were given the same test by two raters.

Testing Hypothesis

Based on the calculation, t-observed is obtained 4.61that is higher that critical value is (2.000) with the degree of freedom (df) 58 (NI + N2-2) (30+30-2=58) at the level significance 0.05. It is found from the computation of the t-test that t-observed is higher than t-table (3.75 > 2.000) at the level significant of one tail test (p-0.05) with the degree of freedom (df=58). According to the data above, it can be concluded that null hypothesis is rejected and alternative hypothesis is accepted.

Research Finding and Discussion

This chapter describes general description of data gained by researcher during the research. The data were collected from the result of pre-test and post test from both experimental class and control class

Research Finding

Based on the calculation result of t-test in data analysis above, it is shown that the mean scores of experimental group is higher than control group. The result of t-test calculation shows that t-observed value 4.61 higher than t-table value (2.000). It could be concluded that there is significant difference between teaching writing recount text by using mind mapping strategy and by using POWER strategy. The students which is taught by mind mapping strategy got higher score than those who taught by POWER strategy.

Discussion

The using of mind mapping strategy helps students to be easier in writing descriptive text because in mind mapping strategy the students' creativity can stimulate their creativity. Students represent their writing by picture and color. It's a good strategy to be applied because the students can generate the branches as much as they want, visualize, structure and classify idea. They can be solving their problem in writing recount text. In general most of the students got better improvement in writing recount text, but the improvement is not the same from one student to another students. The reasons of students didn't get better improvement because:

they lack in vocabularies

they ashamed in writing recount text

That is why the researcher conducts the research with the tittle "The Effect of Using Mind Mapping Strategy and POWER strategy on The students' Skill in writing descriptive Text. Because the researcher believes that mind mapping strategy is effective strategy to be applied in teaching writing descriptive text by considering the advantageous of mind mapping itself.

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