

An Analysis on the Lexical Errors

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ABSTRACT

The aims of this research are to describe the English lexical errors made by the students in writing English and to explain the causes of the English lexical errors. In this research, the writer used a qualitative method. The population of this research is the 2nd grade student of Faculty of Letters, Gunadarma University. And the sample is 64 students. The source of the data is the student's English writing. The result of this research is there are two types of

lexical errors which are content word errors and function word errors. The dominant error is the function word errors 57%, meanwhile the content word errors 43%. There are two kinds of errors causes which are interlingual errors 41% and intralingual errors 59%. Intralingual errors are the majority.

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