

CHAPTER III

RESEARCH METHODS

This chapter discusses about the research method which is used to conduct this study. The discussion includes the research design, the data sources, the data collection, and the data analysis.

3.1 Research Design

Research design refers to the plan and structure of the investigation used to find evidence for answering the problems of the study. There are two kinds of research design for conducting a research called qualitative and quantitative research. It is compatible with the problems of the study and objectives of the study above, the researcher used qualitative method. This study used qualitative research method because it is related by written words, phrases, and sentence.

Qualitative is a kind of research which is the results do not take through statistics procedure or another form except words. As confirmed by Moleong (2005 p. 3) qualitative research is a research which does not deal with number, but in written and oral words from the object of the study. The data in this study are described descriptively based on the kinds of cohesion devices, there is lexical cohesion.

3.2 Data Sources

As the data sources, the researcher choosed 5 out of 38 songs in 3 albums of System of A Down (SOAD) because the songs had achieved commercial

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success with the release of five studio albums. System of A Down has been nominated for four Grammy Awards, and won the award in 2006 for Best Hard Rock Performance for the song (Aerials, B.Y.O.B bring your own Bomb, chop suey, war, and toxicity). System of A Down (SOAD) song is taken from each released albums of System of A Down. Each lyric of song is the representation of each released albums. While the verses or the lines in these lyrics of songs which contain cohesive devices are taken as the data in this study.

The data sources of this study are the whole lyrics of 5 System of A Down (SOAD) songs which represent different ideas, social messages and themes. There are: Aerials (telling about life like a stream that has rapids flow waterfall), B.Y.O.B bring your own Bomb (Amerikan government criticism (and its allies) that does not stop killing innocent people in the Middle East), chop suey (telling satire on the world trade center tragedy), war (rejection of war), toxicity (apathetic man who only cares about personal interests). The researcher choosed 5 songs because all of these songs contain a lot lexical cohesion.

3.3 Data Collection

In this study, the researcher collected the data from System of A Down songs. In data collection process, there are several steps to be done:

1. Finding the original lyrics of the songs. Because there are unoriginal lyrics circulating on internet. The lyrics of System of A Down songs are the main data sources in this research. The researcher found and collected the data source from the internet browsing from:
(<http://www.metrolyrics.com/system-of-a-down-lyrics.html>).

The researchers choosed this web because in this web the content is very complete.

2. Downloading the original lyrics of the songs from:

(<http://www.metrolyrics.com/system-of-a-down-lyrics.html>).

There are some additional lyrics, which are commonly sung by backing vocal group, however those lyrics are not included as the main lyrics which become the data of this research.

3. Matching the lyrics with song by listening to the songs. This step is done to know whether the lyrics matched with the song or not.

4. Selecting the data which contain lexical cohesion.

3.4 Data Analysis

After the data collection process, the data were analyzed as follows:

1. Categorizing the data into two kinds of lexical cohesion namely reiteration and collocation based on Halliday and Hasan's theory (1976) and putting them into a table.

2. Analyzing each of data by using Renkema's (2004) theory to find about kinds of lexical cohesion in the lyric of System of A Down songs and lexical component.

3. Analyzing the function of lexical cohesion used in the lyrics based on Halliday and Hasan's (1976) theory.

4. Drawing conclusions.