

CHAPTER V

CONCLUSION AND RECOMMENDATION

This chapter deals with how the present study provides a conclusion concerning on the use of punctuations in students' descriptive text of SMA IT Darul Hikmah (YAPIDH) Bekasi. This is followed with several recommendations in respect to the limitations of the study that can be improved by the next research in the area of punctuations in students' descriptive text.

5.1 Conclusions

The result of the data analysis showed that there were 330 occurrences in the use of punctuations in 27 students' descriptive text by tenth students of SMA IT Darul Hikmah Bekasi. Period 125 usages, Comma 171 usages, Hyphen 6 usages, colon 4 usages, Quotation mark 3 usages, parentheses 2 usages, apostrophe 17 usages, and exclamation mark 2 usages.

From eight punctuations that appear in the students' descriptive text texts, only period and comma has bigger proportion whereas another punctuation have less than seventeen usages from overall students' descriptive texts.

Even though the punctuations: hyphen, colon, quotation mark, parentheses, exclamation mark, and apostrophe have very few usages, the deviations still occur in those punctuations. Based on the data from questionnaire, more than 70% students answer that they often get difficulties in using punctuations in English writing.

To be more specific, comma and period has the biggest proportion. It shows based on the data from students' descriptive texts. Comma has 171 usages and period has 125 usages. Comma has the biggest and the most inappropriate use. There are 123 usages are appropriate and 48 usages are in appropriate. The deviations occur when the students use comma where it should not be there or it is not necessary. Comma and period are the punctuations that very familiar with students. It also shows in questionnaire data.

5.3 Recommendations

After the writer finished his research about the use of punctuations in SMA IT Darul Hkmah Bekasi, this research gives recommendations to improve the students skill in using punctuations in proper way. The recommendations are: reading and writing exercise. Reading exercises will help students in getting vocabularies and subconsciously they will familiar with punctuations because in reading book the punctuations are in proper way. Writing exercises with focus and drill about the various examples of punctuations will help students to get deep understanding. These activities could lead them to know and understand more about the example of punctuations. Beside of that, it is highly recommended for the students of SMA IT Darul Hikmah Bekasi to gain more understanding about the use of punctuation. Information about the use of punctuations, should be provided in manual books, so the students of SMA IT Darul Hikmah Bekasi can use it as a guidance.