

VARIETY OF PROKEM LANGUAGE IN INDONESIA DISASTER OR GRACE

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Abstract:

Prokem language is slang in certain circles and has become everyday language commonly used by the community. The use of diverse languages continues to enrich the variety of languages in this country. In its development, there is a phenomenon of the use of slang or prokem language. Slang (Bahasa prokem) is a popular language that is usually used by the millennial generation, especially students and university students. The use of slang (prokem) today is not only verbal, but written through short messages sent to the target person. Data was collected using the observation method which was assisted by advanced techniques in the form of note-taking techniques.

INTRODUCTION

Language plays an important role in human life. Humans have used language as a means of communication for centuries. Language exists in line with the social history of communities or nations. Understanding language as a social function is a basic requirement for humans to have social interactions with each other.

Humans according to their nature cannot live without contact with the creatures around them. Therefore, language is the most suitable means used by humans to communicate. Without language, humans will experience difficulties in interacting between members of society. The most important function of language is as a tool for collaborating or communicating in social life. Apart from that, certain signals, symbols, emblems, images or codes can also be used as communication tools. However, by using language, communication will feel more perfect and effective. Language is a unique thing, because language continues to develop, and in every part of the world the language is different.

In Indonesia, the use of diverse languages continues to enrich the variety of languages in this country. In its development, there is a phenomenon of the use of

slang or prokem language. Slang (Bahasa prokem) is a popular language that is usually used by the millennial generation, especially students and university students. The use of slang (prokem) today is not only verbal and written through short messages sent to the target person, but currently through the rapid development of the internet and digitalization, as one of the impacts of its development, social media has emerged as a medium that makes it easier its users in sending new (latest) information, new vocabulary or whatever is currently viral, are not spared by the spread of slang (prokem) that students and students have

The variety of languages also adds to the variation in language. Language variations themselves have two points of view, that in terms of variations or varieties of language there are two views. First, variations or varieties of language are seen as a result of the social diversity of speakers of that language and the diversity of functions of that language. So variations or varieties of language occur as a result of social diversity and diversity of language functions. If language speakers were a homogeneous group, in terms of ethnicity, social status, and employment, then variation or diversity would not exist; meaning that the language will become uniform. Second, variations or varieties of language already exist to fulfill their function as a means of interaction in various social activities. These two views can be accepted or rejected. What is clear is that variations or varieties of language can be classified based on the existence of social diversity and the function of activities in social society.

Slang or what is usually called prokem language is a language outside the official language, namely Indonesian. Slang or prokem language is usually used among young people or what is now called the "millennial generation", especially referring to students and university students. Slang has its own characteristics, as expressed by Yana, et al. (2018:1), that slang has special characteristics, is short and also creative. Throughout this year, there is new slang or prokem language vocabulary.

People nowadays often communicate using slang. In the Big Indonesian Dictionary it is stated that slang is non-formal Indonesian language used by certain communities or in certain areas for socializing. Slang is not only used by teenagers, but is also used by adults. Slang is considered more modern than Indonesian or

regional languages. Users will also be said to be modern people. We can understand this because slang was born from modern urban society so that its users would be said to be modern city people.

RESEARCH METHODS

Data collection techniques in this research are listening techniques, free- involved listening techniques, and note-taking techniques. This study uses an instrument, namely the researcher himself who will be someone who will be the implementer, planner, data interpreter, data collector, analyzer, and at the end will be the reporter of the research results. Data analysis techniques were carried out using data transcripts and reduction techniques. collect, analyze, and interpret non- numerical data. Qualitative research is expressed in words. It is used to understand concepts, thoughts or experiences. Qualitative data is defined as non-numerical data, such as text, video, photos or audio recordings. This type of data can be collected using diaries or in-depth interviews, and analyzed using grounded theory.

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

Prokem Language

Prokem language is one type of every talk, it can also be classified as casual language because it meets several criteria such as spontaneous speech, everyday vocabulary and colloquial expressions. Apart from having special phonological characteristics, this language is also characterized by the emergence of slang. Teenage slang is very distinctive according to their age and marks membership of a special community, namely young people (Riski Rahmadanti Anasti, et al 2020)

Prokem language is the language typical of young people. Prokem language means the same as slang or slang. Prokem language is found among young people/adolescents. Prokem/slang is language that is freely played with by teenagers for certain purposes. This variety has entered the lives of today's teenagers, giving rise to slang terms in their lives. This variety of prokem language is used by anyone who uses this language. In this prokem language, not only teenagers use it, but adults also use this language. Therefore, prokem language has spread among adults.

Disaster Or Grace

Language activists are very concerned about the way young speakers speak. This concern not only arises among Indonesian language activists, but also among regional language activists. They believe that the way young speakers speak can damage the existing linguistic structure which continues to be built and develops its standards. It is indeed very reasonable for them to feel worried because they see the language phenomena of young speakers through the eyes of established language users. The language of young speakers is often referred to as slang because this type of language is more often found in relationships among young people. In fact, this slang term is not limited to being used to refer to the variety of languages used by young people. Slang is also sometimes used as a secret code in certain circles to disguise meaning. Thus, not everyone will be able to easily understand the meaning of what is said using slang.

Prokem language is a manifestation of the creativity of its speakers. Creating certain codes with unique meanings that will be remembered for a long time is not easy, especially if it involves members of a wider community. Slang was deliberately created so that it could be imitated and used by as many speakers as possible. In this context, of course, slang must be seen as different from the secret codes developed by secret agents, for example, which are secretive in nature. The difference between slang and the secret language of the agents then implies a different status between the two. Slang, as the name suggests, is intended more as a broad social language, not as a language in closed communication. Thus, slang can be said to have a more open, warm, dynamic, contemporary and egalitarian social status. As a tool of social interaction, slang becomes a marker of identity and binds groups. If the group of slang users is a respected group who comes from a high social status, the slang users will be considered a high social group.

Aidil Syah Putra (2020) Prokem language, which is usually used by teenagers, has developed very quickly. Prokem language was originally only used by thugs and used it as a secret code or password when they communicated so that the contents of the messages they communicated could not be understood by other people. As time progresses, prokem language is increasingly used by teenagers in everyday communication so that the message they want to convey cannot be understood,

especially by their parents and teachers. Many communication media use this language, such as the internet, television, radio, films, magazines, and others. This has the impact of making it easier for teenagers to imitate and use language when communicating on a daily basis.

Usually prokem language is used by teenagers so that other groups do not know the content of the conversation they are discussing. Prokem language also appears and develops among teenagers based on the social background, culture of the users, and the age of the teenagers who use the language. The vocabulary used in prokem language usually emerges and develops from vocabulary based on the environment in which one lives. The process of forming words and the meanings contained in prokem language depends on the creativity of the user, and prokem language vocabulary can also refer to things and problems around the home, prokeman, education, and juvenile delinquency which is usually referred to by the term kinship.

The Existence Of Prokem Language Among The Community

The long-lasting prokem language was created and widely used by prominent groups, such as celebrities. This persistence is in line with the views of members of society who see celebrities as idols and standard standards for social interactions. In the context of the development of the Indonesian language, which is now entering its 94th year, slang has contributed to enriching the vocabulary of the Indonesian language. Dozens or even hundreds of slang vocabulary, which were initially only used limited among young speakers, have now become official entries in the Big Indonesian Dictionary (KBBI), for example the words *ajib*, *alay*, *ambyar*, *baper*, *bigos*, *bokek*, *bucin*, *cemen*, *cipika-cipiki*, and *clubbing*. These words already sound familiar to the general public. In this way, the existence of slang for Indonesian is not like a dangerous virus that will cause a pandemic. It is also not a dangerous poisonous substance that will cause contamination of standardized linguistic norms.

Slang is actually one of the additional elements for the development of the Indonesian language which is reasonable to record as an entry in the KBBI if the words from the slang are already widely used. As a general dictionary, KBBI must record. Youth prokem language vocabulary is often taken from vocabulary that lives in a particular environment. The formation of words and their meanings varies and

depends on the creativity of the user. Prokem language functions as an expression of the sense of togetherness of its users. Apart from that, by using prokem language they want to declare themselves as members of an exclusive community group. Some say that prokem language is a language used to find and show self-identity, a language that can keep their conversations secret from other groups. The daily activities of teenagers are more related to family life, school and/or college conditions, as well as juvenile delinquency problems. This implies that the vocabulary that emerges then refers to things and problems around the home, relationships, education, and juvenile delinquency which are expressed in terms of kinship. Examples of prokem language vocabulary include: harmonious 'the more you sell hard', sergeant 'serious but relaxed', TKW 'don't know women' and so on.

Table 1. Prokem Language

No	Prokem Language	Correct Language
1	Sabi	Bisa
2	Ambyar	Bercerai-berai
3	Bucin	Budak cinta
4	Baper	Bawa perasaan
5	Garing	Tidak lucu
6	Gelay	Geli
7	Ntaps	Mantap
8	Cans	Cantik
9	Gans	Ganteng
10	Gercep	Gerak Cepat
11	Gabut	Bosan
12	Negara +62	Negara Indonesia
13	Rebahan	Berbaring
14	BU	Butuh uang
15	Lol	Tertawa terbahak-bahak

Positive Impact

The positive impact of using program language is that teenagers become more creative. Regardless of whether or not this Prokem language disturbs us, there is no harm in enjoying every language change or innovation that emerges. As long as it is used in the right situation, the right media and the right communication interactions too. Positive effect By using slang, young people become more creative. Even if it's annoying or not slang. There is nothing wrong with what we enjoy Insight Language Change or innovation. As long as it is used in the correct situation, the right media and also good communication. The positive impact of the use of slang in student circles is that teenagers use language creatively, making it easier to remember and easier to pronounce. Whether slang is annoying or not, it is not our fault. Enjoy every change or linguistic innovation that is seen when this slang is used for the right situations and circumstances, the right medium of communication at the right time (Nurgiansah & Sukmawati, 2020).

Negative Impact

The use of slang can make it difficult for Indonesian language users to speak properly and correctly. Even though on campus or at work, we must use good and correct language. Slang can annoy people who read and hear the words referred to in it. Because, not all readers understand the meaning of these slang words especially in written form, it is very complicated and requires more time to understand. Slang can make it difficult for users to interact with other people at formal events. For example, when presenting material in front of the class. Using slang can be uncomfortable for Indonesian users both at school and elsewhere. Good language is needed and slang can disturb those who read and listen to the words it contains. Because not everyone understands the meaning of slang words. Especially in terms of Writing form, it is very confusing and requires more time to understand it. Slang can be complicated for users to communicate with other people in this case formally For example if it is you presenting in front of the class. Slang can disturb those who read and listen to the words contained in it because many do not have the actual meaning. Especially in terms of the form of writing, it creates a lot of interpretation and takes more time to understand it. The use of

slang can make communication difficult at official events that require language. Indonesia is good and true (Nurgiansah & Al Muchtar,2018).

CONCLUSION

Slang or what is usually called prokem language is a language outside the official language, namely Indonesian. Slang or prokem language is usually used among young people or what is now called the "millennial generation", especially referring to students and university students. Slang has its own characteristics, that slang has special characteristics, is short and also creative.

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