

CHAPTER I

INTRODUCTION

A. Background of The Study

The previous time, people used technology or tools to communicate. However, the technology in the past was not so advanced. Technology nowadays has grown up so fast, everyone can access and communicate with other people easily.

According to W. Brian Arthur (2009) Technology is what separates us from the middle ages, indeed it is what separates us from the way we lived fifty thousand or more years ago. More than anything else technology creates our world. It creates our wealth, our economy, our very way of being. With the development of technology, many people use technology today, not only for communicate with others, but in using of educational world. Students learn to use of computer and all things about technology.

Online assessment is used to measure as an evaluation of a student's knowledge, skills, abilities, and characteristics by using web/application on the Internet. Assessment has some find goals such as to test the knowledge after learning process, to find the difficulties. Online assessments becomes popular and are being used quite extensively in various sectors. Not only in education, it is included on other sector, such as for recruitment in the company, governmental sectors, and corporate companies. Online assessment is used because applicants/workers will be tested and it makes it easier if it is

done in online way than using a traditional assessment which require less time and space.

Nowadays, students and teacher can do teaching activities in online way. Students can learn and get the materials through the internet and for the teacher can review the materials in class. Not just having the material through online, but the students can doing the exercise through online. The process of doing the exercise for the students can be done by using some familiar applications, there are whatsapp and schoology. The student can directly answer the question from the teacher inside the application and receive learning materials from it.

Online assesment is a method to asses student learning in an online environment (internet). Features which available in online assesment such as multiple choice, collaborative projects, online debates, team case studies and self assesment. The advantages of online assesment can be felt by students and lecturers, it happens for students to do the assesment easier, they can do it at home or in a boarding house. Lecturers will be facilitated by giving clear questions and instructions in the online assesment. By using online assesment, both have mutual benefits.

Based on the background above, the use of technology in educational world has been developpt and make the users (Teacher and Students) easy to access and do the learning process. All the learning process can be done anywhere. So, in this study, the researcher wants to know about student's perception on the use of online assesment in Universitas Muhammadiyah Purwokerto.

B. Reason for Choosing the Topic

There is a reason why the researcher is interested in doing research and choosing this topic. The researcher wants to know students perception in using online assesment.

C. Statements of the Problem

Based on the study, the researcher focused his attention on the following problem:

1. What is students perceptions about online assesment in EFL class?

D. The Aim of the Study

The aim of the study is to find out the perceptions of the students about using online assesment in EFL class.

E. Significance of the Study

This study looks for student's perception on the use of online assesment in Teaching and Learning Faculty of English Education Department Universitas Muhammadiyah Purwokerto. This study is to contributed to English Teacher in the future while they are facing such kind of this problem. The researcher hopes this research will give contribution during Teaching and Learning process in the future:

1. For the students

This research is very useful later for the students, with this research students can know learning and teaching process can be done outside the class. Not only using conventional way but using technology in advance.

2. For the teacher

This research is also useful for the teachers or lecturers, with this research the teacher or lecturers can know the perception and the students challenges in doing online assesment in EFL class.

3. For the researcher.

In this case, the researcher can deeply understand the concept of a theory used in this study.

F. The Clarification of the Key Term

1. Perception

Perception is the process that takes place within the individual that begins with the receipt of excitatory until it is realized and understood by the individual so that individual can recognize himself and his surroundings.

2. Online Assesment

According to Geoff Masters, Online assesment is capable of providing significantly improved feedback to teaching and learning. In this case, online assesment is the method in assesing students in EFL class.

3. EFL Class

EFL(English as Foreign Language) refers to learning and using English as an additional language in a non-English speaking country.