

CHAPTER I

INTRODUCTION

A. Background of Research

Motivation is a condition that a person has to act, encourage individuals to achieve certain goals, and keep each individual interested in certain activities from the results of individual hard work. Motivation is the process that instigates and sustains goal-directed activity. According to Chickering and Kuh (2005, p.1), Motivation is "the key to persistence and lasting learning. The challenge is to help each person clarify important goals and then find, or create, the combination of educational experiences that lead to the desired results".

Motivation and learning are two things that influence each other. Learning motivation can arise due to intrinsic and extrinsic factors, both of which are caused by certain stimuli so that someone wants to learn more actively and enthusiastically. Intrinsic factors in the form of desire and desire to succeed and encouragement of learning needs, hopes for ideals. While extrinsic factors are the existence of awards, a conducive learning environment, and interesting learning activities (Uno, 2011). This success of the student's motivation depends on the teacher's efforts to stimulate student learning motivation. In general, motivation contains values, as follows: determine the level of success or failure of student learning activities.

Learning without motivation is difficult to achieve optimal success.

Motivated learning is essentially learning that is by the needs, encouragement, and motives that exist in students. The learning is following the demands of democracy in Education. Motivated learning requires the activity and imagination of teachers to make serious efforts to find relevant and compatible ways to generate and maintain student learning motivation. In a pandemic COVID - 19 teachers should strive so that students have good self-motivation.

The importance of motivation for students is providing good and appropriate motivation, so that students can realize the benefits of learning and the goals achieved by learning. The existence of motivation is also expected to be able to raise the spirit of learning in online learning, especially for students who are lazy to study as a result of negative influences from outside students such as playing online games, and social media during online learning with the presence of motivation in online learning can shape students' habits from bad habits. Bad habits become good habits so that students are happy in online learning. Based on the background above the research will investigate the student's Motivation to Study English during the Covid – 19 Pandemic.

B. Problem Of Study

The problem of this Research is formulated as follows about the title of this proposal " what are the levels student's motivation in learning English in the era Pandemic Covid-19 pandemic?".

C. Objectives of the study

This research is aimed to find out the student's motivation in Studying English during the Covid -19 Pandemic.

D. IMPORTANCE of the Study

The result of this research is expected to give a contribution to students and teacher Such as :

a. For student

This study is expected to give information to the students that motivation is affecting their studying achievement. They need to pay attention to their interest motivation before they enter the department in the university because it correlates with their career success. Interest is really important to grow their motivation, so they will get good achievement in their studies.

b. For Teachers

This research is expected to determine each student's character in learning English during the covid-19 pandemic

E. Clarification of Term

A. Motivation

Motivation is something that energizes, directs, and sustains behavior: it gets students moving, points them in a particular direction, and keeps them going to reach their goals. Mc. Donald in Sardiman (2007:73) Quoting that motivation can be for a

change in energy from within a person which is preceded by a response and the emergence of "feeling" towards a particular goal. This understanding also contains several important elements that it conveys. Motivation can initiate energy changes from within every human being. The appearance itself can be in the form of physical activity, taste, or a problem related to psychology, emotion, and effect. It can determine a person's behavior and goals that will involve a matter of need

B. Covid - 19 Pandemic

The WHO (2020) stated that Coronaviruses (CoV) are a large family of viruses that cause illness, ranging from the common cold to more severe respiratory illnesses, such as Middle East Respiratory Syndrome (MERS) and Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome (SARS).