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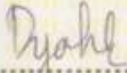
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**Abstract:** This research is aimed to find out the correlation between mastery of simple past tense of grade VIII students and their ability in writing recount text. The subject of this research were students of VIII B in SMP N 3 Purwokerto selected by using cluster random sampling technique. The techniques of collecting data used tests, namely simple past tense mastery test, and writing recount text. The research result was analyzed by using Rank-Spearman formula. Based on the result of data analysis, it was obtained correlation coefficient ( $r_s$ ) is 0.442. It showed that there is fair correlation between students mastery of simple past tense and their ability in writing recount text since the result is on range 0.26-0.50. With degree of significance 0.05, the score of Sig = 0.021 was lower than  $\alpha$  (0.05). It can be concluded that  $H_a$  is accepted.

**Keywords:** *Correlation, Simple Past Tense Mastery, Writing Ability, Recount Text.*

# HUBUNGAN ANTARA PENGUASAAN SIMPLE PAST TENSE SISWA KELAS DELAPAN DAN KEMAMPUAN SISWA DALAM MENULIS TEKS RECOUNT

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**Abstrak:** Penelitian ini bertujuan untuk mengetahui hubungan antara penguasaan simple past tense siswa kelas VIII dan kemampuan siswa dalam menulis recount teks. Sampel dalam penelitian ini yaitu siswa VIII B SMP N 3 Purwokerto yang dipilih dengan menggunakan cluster random sampling. Teknik pengumpulan data yaitu dengan menggunakan tes, yaitu tes penguasaan simple past tense dan tes menulis teks recount. Hasil penelitian dianalisis dengan menggunakan rumus Rank-Spearman. Berdasarkan dari hasil analisis data, didapat correlation coefficient ( $r_s$ ) adalah 0.442. Hal itu menunjukkan bahwa adanya hubungan yang sedang antara penguasaan simple past tense dan kemampuan siswa dalam menulis teks recount karena hasil tersebut berada pada rentang 0.40-0.59. Pada derajat signifikan 0.05, nilai Sig = 0.021 lebih rendah dari  $\alpha$  (0.05). Dari hasil tersebut dapat disimpulkan bahwa  $H_a$  diterima.

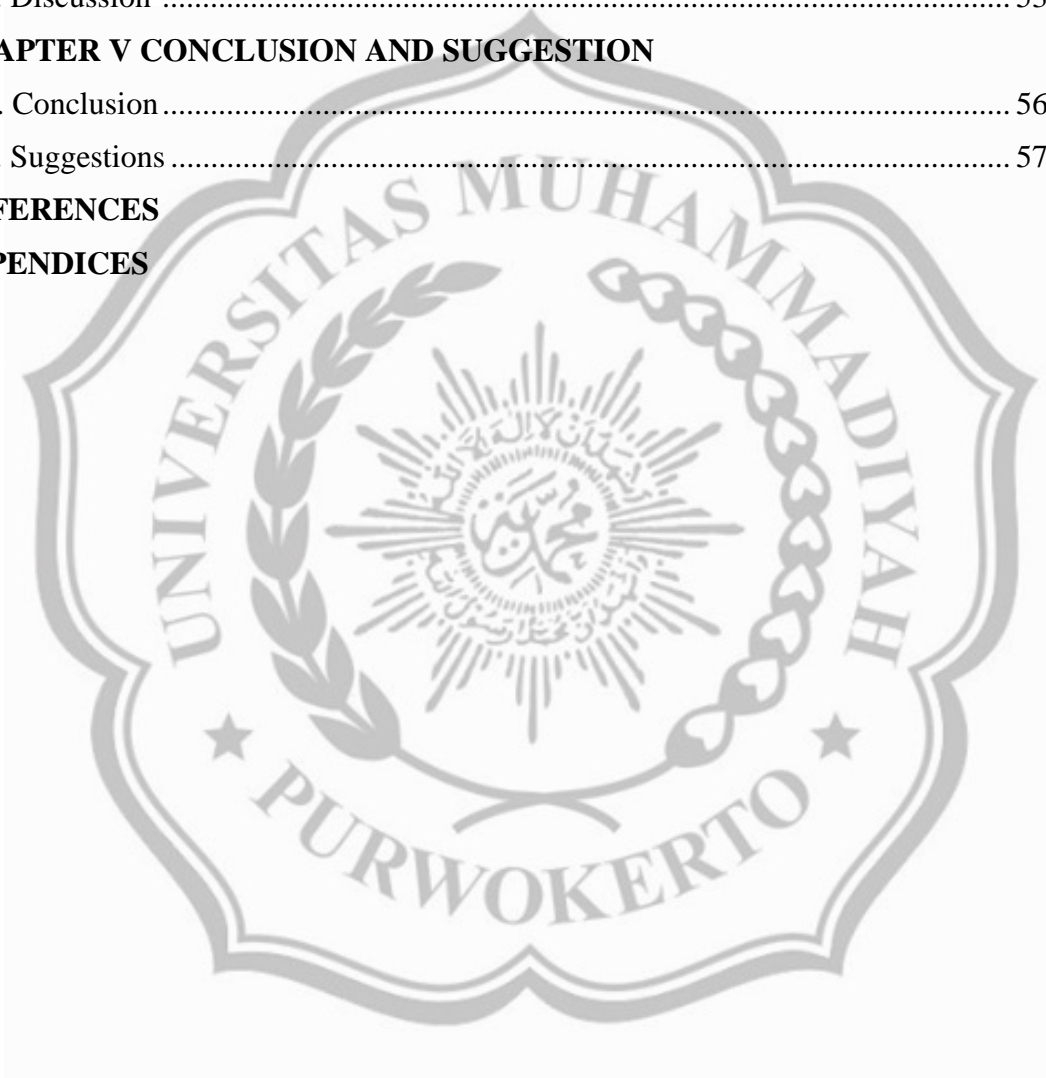
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