THEME AND RHEME ANALYSIS ON THE DONALD TRUMP INAUGURATION SPEECH

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Abstract

To find the typical and the numbers of Theme-rheme in the Donald Trump Speech text, the researcher wants to analyze the speech text to find them. The purpose of this research is giving way to lecturer about research design which it can be applied in the discourse class. The type of research is descriptive qualitative. The qualitative research is a procedure of research, in which collected data will not be created by statistic procedure. The data of the thesis were analyzed using some steps, there are reading, segmenting, identifying, classifying and then drawing conclusion. After analyzing the data of the inauguration speech text by Donald Trump, it can be seen that there are 18 paragraphs existed in the speech text. From it, there are 133 sentences found. As a result, the researcher concludes that 133 clauses, there are 69% with the number of theme are 124 sentences belong to topical themes. Then the second is textual theme with 47 themes within 24% percentage. The last is interpersonal theme which the percentage is 9% and the least number with 9 themes.

Keywords: *Theme-rheme, speech, topical, textual, interpersonal*

Abstrak

Untuk menemukan tipe-tipe dan jumlah tema remha yang ada dalam pidato inagurasi oleh, peneliti ingin menganalis teks pidato yang ditmukan didalam pidato. Tujuan dari penelitian ini adalah untuk memberi tambahan cara mengajar pelajaran analisis wacana pada materi tema rhema. Jenis penelitian ini adalah penilitian deskriptif kualitatif. Penelitian kualitatif adalah suatu prosedur penelitian, yang mana ketika mengumpulkan data tidak menggunakan prosedur statistic. Data telah dianalisis dengan beberapa langkah yaitu membaca isi teks pidato, segmentasi, identifikasi, klasifikasi, dan menarik kesimpulan. Setelah data dianalisis, kita dapat melihat bahwa didalam teks terdapat 18 paragraf yang telah dipublikasi oleh website, dan dari 18 paraghaf itu terdapat 133 kalimat yang ditemukan. Dari semua kalimat yang ditemukan terdapat 69% yang termasuk dalam tema Topikal dengan jumlah 124 kalimat. Tema yang kedua yaitu tekstual tema yang berjumlah 47 tema dengan persentase sebesar 27%. Dan tema yang terkhir yaitu tema interpersonal yang mana ditemukan 9% dengan jumlah sebanyak 9 tema.

Kata kunci: Thema-rhema, pidato, topical, tekstual, interpersonal

INTRODUCTION

Language plays many important roles for an individual. According to Wibowo (2001:3) language is a system of symbols that is meaningful and articulate sound (generated by said tool) which are arbitrary and conventional, which is used as a means of communicating by group of human beings to give birth to feelings and thoughts. Communication is a process by which information is exchanged between individuals through a common system of symbols, signs, or behavior (Webster's New Collegiate Dictionary 1981: 225). By communicating using language, human can interpret their ideas, thought, reality, concept or feeling and give information to other. According to Martin (1995:26) there are two kinds of communication based on the means that is used. They are non-verbal and verbal communication. Non-verbal communication is a communication using a means except language, such as light, whistle, gesture, etc. While verbal communication is a communication that uses language as its means. When they say about language it mean about talk, communication and discourse.

Discourse analysis is the study of language in the everyday sense in which most people use the term (Johnstone, 2002:2). So, this study is tell about language and context as statements that says in a text. Therefore, the researcher want to invite the reader to analyze theme rheme in speech text by Donald Trump.

Theme is the starting point of the clause message realized in English by first position in a clause must contain a participant process or circumstance includes any element preceding the first participant, process of circumstance. According Halliday and Matthiensen (2004:64) Theme is the given information serving as the point of departure of a message. Rheme is the part of clouse that gives information about the theme. According Halliday and Matthiensen (2004:64-65) Rheme is the remainder of the message in a clause which theme is developed.

Speech that utterance from presidential candidate was became very important to know for societies. The researcher choose the speech text by Donald Trump when he was inauguration to be American President. The researcher choose him because the speaker is native speaker who usual to using English language for communication and to know what the contain of his oration for societies. Because America is very influenced for other country that has relation whit the country. So the researcher choose one of speech him to analyze theme rheme.

The purpose of this study are found the amount of theme rhemes are used in the text and the types of theme rheme that used in the text. To found them the researcher has to analyzing the text to get the result.

The Analysis of this study is related qualitative research. According to Gorys Keraf, analysis is a process to solve a something in relation parts each other. While, according Komarrudin stated, analysis is a thinking activities for elaborate the whole which be component so it can recognize the signs of each

components, each relations and each functions in a whole integrated. So, from some analysis definitions above, can be concluded that analysis are some activities, the relation of activity and process to solve a problem or solve a component be more detail and back combined and then make conclusion.

To analyze about theme rheme we had to know what it is theme rheme. According to Halliday (2004), the study of theme and rheme is mainly derived from systemic functional linguistic that analyzes language from its main function. Following the terminology of the Prague school of linguists, we shall use the term Theme can be used as the label for this function. The theme is the element which serves as the point of departure of the message; it is that which the clause is concerned. While, Rheme is the remainder of the message in a clause in which Theme is developed, is called in Prague school terminology the Rheme. According to Halliday (2004), the study of theme and rheme is mainly derived from systemic functional linguistic that analyzes language from its main function. Theme has divided into two parts there are simple and multiple the simple theme is topical and the multiple theme are textual and interpersonal.

Topical themme is theme of clause ends with the first constituent that is either participant, Circumstance or process (Halliday & Matthiessen, 2014:105). This suggests that the speaker/writer is selecting the desired. Theme that there can be variation in what is chosen as the thematic element in the clause. The Type of theme is presented by a nominal group (e.g., everyone) a prepositional phrase.

Halliday and Matthiessen (2004) stated that textual theme is a theme that includes any combination of continuative (yes, no, well, oh, now), conjunctions (and, because, who, but, etc), conjunctive adjunct (for instance, in addition, likewise). Conjunctive adjuncts are allowed to move freely in a clause whereas conjunctions are constrained in the beginning (Giroux, 1997). Moreover, conjunctives, on the other hand, relate the clause to the preceding text by providing a logical between messages.

According to Paltridge (2006), interpersonal theme refers to an item that comes before rheme which indicates the relation between participants in the text, or the position or point of view that is being taken in the clause. This may include the finite in interrogative clause where it precedes the subject, vocative (personal name used to address), and mood adjuncts (surprisingly, in my opinion, unfortunately) (Halliday &Matthiessen, 1994). From three type of theme, the researcher want to found it in speech text.

Speech is some utterance with a good structure to convey the people. Usually, Speech use in some event such as speech state, speech great day, speech plant spirit, speech event and so forth. A good speech giving a positive impression to audiences. Speech consist of three parts, there are introduction, content and closing;

1) Introduction or opening; introduction contains greeting, honor and thanks giving, respect the form of greeting respectfully. The figures are present in an event and to the audience.

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2) Content; content is the most important part of speech, what we will tell all package in a part of contents. Therefore, it need details that information what we will convey don't missed.

3) Closing; closing is consist of hope or prayer that what we will convey can be useful for audience and also contain greeting closing.

METODE

This study was used descriptive qualitative method. It was relevant and appropriate since the study describes the finding on the worldview through analysis theme-rheme in the Donald Trump inauguration speech text. Descriptive qualitative method is used to describe the finding in detail. According to Nancy Burns and Susan Grove (2003,p.201), Descriptive qualitative method was designed to provide a picture of a situation as it naturally happens. In this research, it was used to describe and analyzed the problem, and to develop theories in detail about the object.

The object of the study of this research will be focused on every clause in the speech text by Donald Trump's inauguration on Friday, January 20, 2017. So the subject of this analysis is clauses in the speech text produced by Donald Trump. The data on this research was speech text that can be interpreted as a sentence and utterance if it was spoken. The data of this study was downloaded from website. The source language was Donald Trump's full inauguration speech transcript annotated by Aaron Blake was post on january 20, 2017 retrived from website www.washingtonpost.com.

The main and primary instrument of a qualitative research was the researcher her self. According to Meleong (2007) the instrument of this study was the researcher her self with her knowledge and other references which was related to the study. In addition, this research used secondary instruments, such as data sheet, table for analysis, and the official script of Donald Trump's Speech in inauguration.

The research analysis was in any project involve summarizing the mass of data that has been collected and the presenting the results in a way that communicates the most important findings or features. According to Ardhana12 (in Lexy J. Moleong 2002: 103) explains that data analysis was the process of arranging the order of data, organizing it into a pattern, category, and set of basic descriptions. Likewise in this research, to get the main result on this research, researcher will do same technic. The steps in analyzing the data are as follows :

1) Reading

The researcher was reading the whole of speech text to comprehension of this speech text.

2) Segmenting

After reading the speech text, researcher was segmenting the sentences on the paragraph into clauses.

3) Identifying

The researcher was identifying the words of each clauses to knowing the types of theme in the clauses.

4) Classifying

The researcher was classifying the types which found in identification of clause in the speech text, it make easier the reader and researcher saw the result of analysis.

5) Drawing conclusion

The last procedure, the researcher was drawing conclusion from classification to explain the result of analysis.
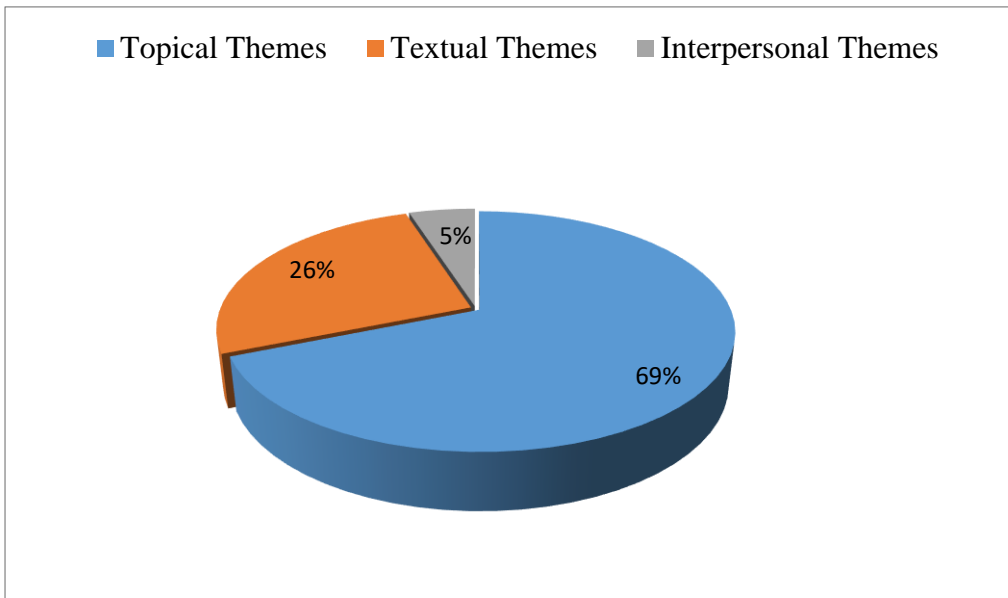
FINDINGS

To find the result of this speech text, the researcher had to analyze the speech text that based on the steps above. After segmenting each clauses and identifying the categories of theme at each clause. The categories of it is found, after that the researcher was classified the categories. In the speech text, the paragraphs has found 18 paragraphs and from it has found 133 clauses. From 133 clauses can found that theme rheme on the Donald Trump inauguration speech. The results of theme and rheme of each paragraph can be seen in the following table 1.1 below.

No	Types of Theme	Paragraphs																		Σ
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	
1	Topical Themes	7	4	9	7	4	6	4	6	5	4	4	12	9	10	11	8	7	7	124
2	Textual Themes	1	4	5	4	1	1	3	3	5	2	1	3	3	2	1	3	4	1	47
3	Interpersonal themes	-	-	1	-	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	-	-	1	9

After the numbers has found above the researcher want to scale in the percentage, the presented in the percentage is below:

Picture 1.1 The percentage of theme rheme in Donald Trump Speech.

Discussion

The most topical that appear on the speech text is topical theme. Topical theme is theme of clause ends with the constituent that is either participant, circumstance or subject. The function of topical theme is to emphasize the subject that the subject is the main goal of the speech text. The category of topical theme are included pronoun, adverbial, and nominal. In the speech text, the speaker often use it. Such th 1st sentences in 12rd paragraphs.

America will start winning again.

THEME	RHEME
Topical	
America	start winning again.

And the second type is textual theme textual theme is Halliday and Matthiessen (2004) stated that textual theme is a theme that includes any combination of continuative (yes, no, well, oh, now), conjunctions (and, because, who, but, etc), conjunctive adjunct (for instance, in addition, likewise). Conjunctive adjuncts are allowed to move freely in a clause whereas conjunctions are constrained in the beginning (Giroux, 1997). In the speech text often found many word include in the textual theme was used in the speech text. Such as but, and, that, because, when, what, one by one, before, after and etc. like the one of sentence in 14th paragraph at 5th sentences:
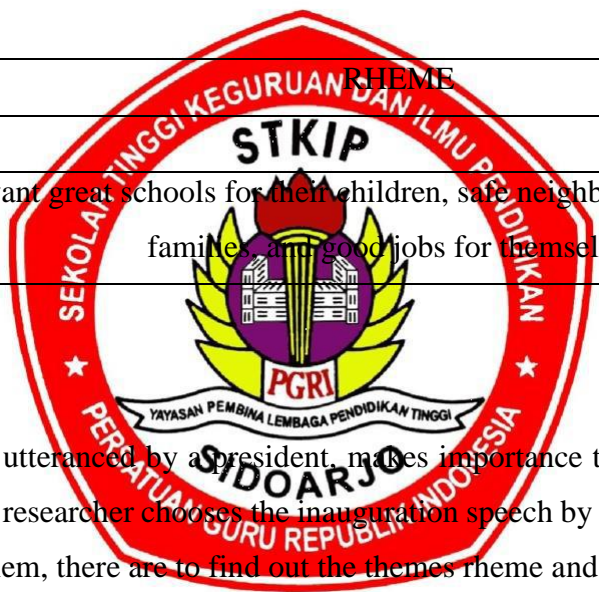
When America is united,

Theme		Rheme
Textual	Topical	

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When	America	is united,

And then, the third typical of theme is interpersonal theme. According to Paltridge (2006), interpersonal theme refers to an item that comes before rheme which indicates the relation between participants in the text, or the position or point of view that is being taken in the clause. This may include the finite in interrogative clause where it precedes the subject, vocative (personal name used to address), and mood adjuncts (surprisingly, in my opinion, unfortunately) (Halliday &Matthiessen, 1994). In this speech text rarely to found the word that is included in interpersonal theme, it is 9 clauses that found in it. In this typical, word that found in the speech text such as American, politician, mother and children, never, finally and etc. Like the one of sentences has belong to interpersonal theme in 6th paragraphs at 5th sentences:

Americans want great schools for their children, safe neighborhoods for their families, and good jobs for themselves.

THEME	RHEME
Interpersonal	
Americans	want great schools for their children, safe neighborhoods for their families, and good jobs for themselves.

CONCLUSION

A speech text that was utteranced by a president, makes importance to be discussed and understood what the fill of it. There for the researcher chooses the inauguration speech by Donald Trump. In this research has two statements of the problem, there are to find out the themes rheme and the kinds of theme rheme used in the speech text.

After analyzing the speech, text can be seen that the result are 18 paragraphs existed in the website. From those eighteen paragraphs there are 133 clauses found: as a result, the researcher concludes that in the 133 clauses, there is 69% with 124 clauses belong to topical themes. Topical theme functions to emphasize the subject is the main goal of the speech text. Then, the second is textual theme which the percentage is 26% of 47 themes. In this textual themes, they employ some coordinate conjunction, subordinate conjunction, correlation conjunction, and continuative conjunction, to connect the clauses one another such as but, and, that, because, when, what, one by one after etc. The last is interpersonal theme there are found 9 clauses which the percentage is 5%. In it employs some categorized like vocative, modal adjunct, and finite, such as American, Politicians, Mother and children, never, finally.

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