

## AMERICAN SLANG FOUND IN DESPICABLE ME 3 MOVIE

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### ABSTRAK

*Slang is an informal language that is often used and known by a particular community or society. In this study, the researcher seeks to find out the types of slang and also find out how the functions of slang are used. In this analysis, researchers rely on *Despicable Me 3* as a data source. It is from this film that the data are collected and adapted to the theory that focuses on type and function by Allan and Buridge (2006). To compile the results, the researcher used a qualitative descriptive method. In collecting data, several stages have been carried out such as watching the film, citing the data, and reviewing it in an effort to adapt it to the theory. As a result, three types of slang were found, namely Fresh and Creative, Flippant, and Imitative. Other types such as clipping and acronym could not be found. Then the researcher observed 5 functions which can also be found in this film, they are to address, to humiliate, to express impression, to initiate and to show intimacy.*

**Keyword:** *Despicable Me 3 Movie, Functions of Slang, Types of Slang, Slang*

### ABSTRACT

*Slang adalah Bahasa tidak formal yang sering digunakan dan dikenal oleh komunitas atau masyarakat tertentu. Di dalam penelitian ini peneliti berupaya untuk menemukan jenis – jenis slang dan juga mencari tahu bagaimana fungsi – fungsi slang digunakan. Di analisis ini peneliti mengandalkan *Despicable Me 3* sebagai sumber data. Dari film inilah data – data tersebut dikumpulkan dan di sesuaikan dengan teori yang berfokus pada tipe dan fungsi oleh Allan dan Buridge (2006). Untuk menyusun hasilnya, peneliti menggunakan metode deskriptif kualitatif. Dalam mengumpulkan data terdapat beberapa tahap telah dilakukan seperti menonton film tersebut, mengutip data, dan mengulasnya dalam upaya untuk menyesuaikan dengan teori. Sebagai hasilnya, ditemukan tiga tipe slang yaitu Fresh and Creative, Flippant, dan Imitative. Tipe lainnya seperti clipping dan acronym tidak dapat ditemukan. Kemudian peneliti mengamati 5 fungsinya yang juga dapat ditemukan dalam film ini, mereka adalah to address, to humiliate, to express impression, to initiate and to show intimacy.*

**Kata Kunci :** *Film Despicable Me 3, Fungsi Slang, Tipe Slang, Slang*

## INTRODUCTION

In having good and suitable communication, there are two conditions that really need to be considered by people. They are formal and informal situation. These two situations are insisted people to have better understanding on how to choose the right language to a certain situation. Formal language is used for professional or academic purposes like university assignments, it does not use colloquialisms, contractions or first person pronouns such as 'I' or 'We', it can be stated that it is less personal than informal language. whereas, Informal language is used when communicating with friends or family either in writing or in conversation, sometimes the tone of informal language is more personal than formal language. It is preferably used for writing personal emails, text messages and in some business correspondence which is more casual and spontaneous.

Speaking of informal language, one of them which is very popular is called slang. Especially in English speaking country this of kind language are often used by people. It is popular language that is created in the society.

According to (Zhou & Fan, 2013) slang is an informal language, it is frequently happening as a style of speech, it could be in the form of single word, group of words or a sentence. Speaking of informal language, it can be stated that this kind of speech style cannot be used in any formal situation, because it is a colloquial speech as well. This slang is used informally in speech, it is not considered as part of standard language (Rundell & Fox, 2007).

The different of subculture groups of society have important role as well. Over the time this groups help to enrich the contexts and enlarge the resources of the slang. After that the slang of this subculture groups are adopted by common people and become common people's vocabulary. In addition, as one part of Americanism, the development of USA and American English affect the American slang

which is even more internationally recognized. Even though there are many intelligent people claim that slang is lower acceptability in society, it cannot be denied the trend become much popular. It is obviously can be observed in the society that the use of slang expressions in newspapers, movies, television and magazine has been increasing. The usage of slang is outside of conventional or standard language, that may consists of both newly coined words and phrases and of new of extended meaning attached to established terms (Linhua, n.d.).

Through this research after observing the phenomenon above, the researcher is willing to find more about the slang features in this movie because slang is the language that seems uncommon but popular. In this case the researcher interested to analyze not only perceiving it in general but also try to identify more features such as figuring out the characteristics, the types and functions.

## RESEARCH METHOD

The design of this research is qualitative research. The researcher took descriptive qualitative research in order to analyze and describe the types of Slang words in *Despicable Me 3*. According to (Creswel, 2009), a qualitative method refers to a process research appear questions and research procedures.

However, the researcher used qualitative research because the objective of this research is to understand what are the types of slang words *Despicable Me 3*. The researcher described the phenomenon of the types themselves. The result showed the statistic procedures in analyzing the data, but the results presenting the data by explaining and describing to the related theory. It is because the data that collected were utterances and pictures, not numeral data.

**FINDING AND DISCUSSION**

After analyzing all of the data found from the movie, the researcher finally found the result of this research. Those can be found based on the research questions and has gotten from the source of data, they were the movie and its subtitle. The results are found by considering the two research questions. To answer the first research questions, *what are types of slang words that used in this movie?* They are Fresh and creative, flippant and imitative. The other two types of Allan and Buridge’s slang cannot be found from this movie. Furthermore in answering the second research question, *How the functions of each slang’s types that used by main characters in the movie?* It can be stated that not all of the functions can be found. Those functions of

slang are considered the situation of the conversations. Every slang that they use mostly adjusting their mood, and also the situations at that time. All in all the researcher can find the types of the slang and also can figure out how each slang has their own function.

This section presents all of the results that have mentioned and analyzed previously. All of the findings that would be showed in this following section are based on the research questions and also collected from the source of the data it self, in this case that is *Despicable Me 3* movie. The data shows in the form of table with more details such as the time when it is taken, the types, and also the functions. In addition, the rest of the data can be seen the appendix.

No	Slangs	Time	Types	Function
1	Hoser	06.45	Fresh and creative	To humiliate
2	Whoopee	00;27.51	Fresh and creative	To express impression
3	Bud – buddy	00.15.53	Fresh and creative	Toshow intimacy
	Copy that	00.06.29	Fresh and creative	Impression
5	Jeesh	00.16.15	Fresh and creative	To humiliate
6	Cuckoo	00.21.56	Fresh and Creative	To Humiliate
7	Gosh	00.27.36	Fresh and Creative	Imperession
8	Sweetie	00.46.31	Fresh and Creative	To Show Intimacy
9	Bust in a gut	00.43.40	Flippant	Impression
10	Count on you	00.52.22	Flippant	To address
11	Feast your eyes on	00.30.11	Flippant	To address
12	We can make it	00.05.06	Flippant	To initiate
13	Got your back	00.59.50	Flippant	To initiate
14	Piece of Cake	00.51.08	Flippant	To Adress
15	Gonna	00.13.08	Imitative	Impression
16	Whatcha	00.18.03	Imitative	Impression

The researcher found very varied types of slang in this movie, it can be seen from the data as show above. Those data just mentioned in order to give the reader more information how the slangs are formed and how they are adjusted to the functions. In this source of data the researcher can barely find the data for the other types such as acronym and clipping.

Furthermore, it can be assumed that the use of slang really depends on the society itself. It can be seen from the movie, mostly they apply the slangs in their conversation when they talk to certain level of society, age and also what kind of relationship they have. Sometimes the characters seem considering the situation of that time where the talk take place. They know when to use it and it is also good when the partner understands the meaning the slang.

## CONCLUSION

Slang is informal language that usually use by people in certain community, society or environment. It is used by considering many aspects such as the types and functions. Many experts have different perspective about slang especially the types. It was constructed from long time ago and evolve time to time. Slang mostly can be spotted form the actual informal communication, in this case because the researcher analyzed American slang, it is clear that the usage of slang can be seen from the conversations of native American in their daily. If it is not possible to spot it directly, there are many other sources such as online video on social media, the captions or a movie. As in the *Despicable Me 3* Movie which shows the situation of the native using slangs. Based on the movie the researcher found three types of slang they are fresh and creative, flippant and imitative.

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