STUDENTS' PERCEPTION OF THE USE OF INSTAGRAM STORY FOR SPEAKING PRACTICE IN SPEAK UP 1 CLASS AT MR BOB KAMPUNG INGGRIS PARE

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CHAPTER I

INTRODUCTION

This chapter discusses about: a) background of the study, b) scope of the study, c) question of the research, d) objective of the study, and e) significance of the study.

A. Background of the research

At the beginning of 2020, the teachers and students had to think creatively to conduct the teaching and learning process due to the pandemic that has been occurring that forced the class activities to be limited. Consequently, daring class became one of the solutions that can be used. However, the English language has four complicated skills that are classified into two groups; receptive skill consists of reading and listening skill, in the other hand productive skill consists of speaking and writing skill (Saville-Troike, 2006) In order to develop students' capability of those four skills in such condition, speaking skill seemed harder to be practiced comparing to other skills.

Speaking is a complicated skill. It involves some elements such as pronunciation, grammar, vocabulary and etcetera. The students must comprehend the required elements to be able to reach the target of language usage, which is communication. Bailey (2000) mention that speaking is an interaction process by production, receiving and processing information. Speaking is also an activity where both hearers and speaker have to react and have intention to communicate (Fulcher, 2003). In short, speaking a tool where people could use to deliver the information through receptive and productive skills.

According to (Zyoud, 2016) the ability to speak is the crucial aspect as the evidence of a students' competence in a language. More importantly, most communication is used in English in everyday interaction. Eventually, teachers and students can use the internet networks to practice speaking skills.

Based on Malta University Language School, there are some reasons why speaking is important, they are (1) Speaking helps to broaden the world of job opportunities which relates to people from the other country, (2) Speaking English might improve the quality of life through education, (3) Speaking English can knock down a lot of barriers, including cultural ones.

However, there are some problems found in practicing English Speaking. Mention by Tasmia (2019) the problems of the students in speaking are grammar mastery, vocabulary and meaning, pronunciation, lack of confident, fear of making mistake, and anxiety. From this, students are needed special treatment to overcome the problems in their speaking.

Nowadays, speaking practices have been initially developed by teachers. They involve everything that students like into the English practice, social media for instance. The use of social media is widely utilized as the media of language practice. There are many ways to practice speaking skill, but most of them require partners to have extensive practice outside the class. Therefore, the growth of technology provides a bunch of social media platforms that can be used as the media for learning and practicing English, especially for speaking skill (Wulandari, 2019). One of the famous social media that can be incorporated into speaking practice is Instagram. In Instagram, there are some videos of language educators who have given English lessons and tips or tricks to enhance language capability. Instagram provides some features to post images and videos 15 seconds up to 1-minute duration through feeds or story. The users used to share their opinion, daily activity report, or some description of the object in picture or video on Instagram's story by speaking English.

The researcher has tried to utilize it as the medium of speaking practice in one of the courses in Kampung Inggris Pare. The students were asked to make a video within 15 seconds up to 1-minute video durations to talk about what they have been through all day and post it on their own Instagram's story. The students were so interested in getting the best video by taking a lot of videos.

Considering this phenomenon, the researcher wants to find out the students' perceptions of practicing English speaking using Instagram Stories which is based on the observation in the class of Speak up 1 at Mr. Bob Kampung Inggris, the researcher found that all the students already have social media, and 80% of them are fond of being active on Instagram. It can be an opportunity for the researcher to know the students' perceptions.

Based on the things mentioned above, the researcher aims to know about students' perception in using Instagram's story as the medium of speaking practice. So, then the researcher would know the students' impressions to recognize the advantages and disadvantages of the technique.

1. Scope of Research

In this study the researcher only focused on the use of Instagram's story for speaking practice in Speak Up 1 Class at Mr. Bob Kampung Inggris. The students will use their daily device to self-record video and post it on the Instagram story as the media of speaking practice.

By conducting this research, the students' perception would be considered by the researcher to know whether the students are keen on practicing their speaking skill using an Instagram story or not.

2. Research Question

How are the perceptions of the students on implementing Instagram's story as the platform of speaking practice?

3. The objective of the study

The objective of the study is to describe students' perception of using the Instagram story to practice their speaking skill.

4. The significances of the study

This research is made to look forward to the results that can be useful for the readers. There are two types of significance in this research. The first is the practical significance, and the second is the theoretical significance.

1. For The Students

The students can be aware of the usage of social media as the platform to practice their speaking skill and implement another way to practice their speaking skill.

2. For the Teachers

The teacher can get the new insight of students' perceptions of how social media can be a place to practice speaking as well as new techniques to practice their student's speaking skill by utilizing social media, especially Instagram.

3. For the Researchers

The researcher can understand the students' perceptions in order to develop the technique to practice students' speaking skill in the teaching-learning process. In addition, the researcher can consider the strength and weakness of the technique.

To those who have considered social media, especially Instagram as the platform of speaking practice, they can consider the Instagram stories in this research to introduce the students to another alternative to practice their speaking skill. And they may be inspired to find the best way to utilize social media.

The study will give awareness and new perceptions to both teacher and student about the utilization of the Instagram story as the media of speaking practice.

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