CHAPTER I
INTRODUCTION

This research focused to analysis about compound words. This chapter explains about the background of the research, problem statements, purposes of the study, significances of the study, and clarification of the key terms.

1.1 Background of The Research

Language is an important element in the human life, because language is a communication device to interact with each other. That is why language has become one of the crucial factors in the life of society in the world. In this era, language is not only used in terms of speaking for communication, but also for other interest. Language is also used in various mass media. As an impact of the developing era and globalization, the use of English has been applied in many fields. The application of English is not only in the education, but is also almost all elements of life such on information field.

Mass media has an important role for our lives in today's modern times. Surely it has some function to provide information to us. Therefore, the mass media must have a good writing so the content can be well understood by us. There a lot of mass media, especially like newspapers that contains various of news, surely contain with a variety of languages according to their respective contexts.

The era of internet allows publishers to make online newspapers, digital newspapers, and e-paper (electronic paper). Online newspaper is a newspaper in electronic format that can be accessed by computer or smartphone. Originally
printed newspapers, digital or electronic versions of the printed version are now available. The printed version of a digitized paper is made exactly or resembles the source that usually uses the scanning method.

Digital newspapers emerged as a form of communication technology development as well as answering the needs of consumers who need the rapid dissemination of information, easy, and instant. In addition, to easily accessible online newspapers also have a more attractive appearance, and paperless. In keeping with the current global warming issue, digital newspapers are giving color to new movements to save on paper and printing use.

In certain fields, such as economics, politics also sport usually have certain words which are not common in human daily activities. In the world of sport many new terms are appeared. For people who do not really like sports, these words may be sound unfamiliar in the general society. Perhaps it will be difficult to recognize uncommon language that rarely used, especially if you are not a person who uses the language.

The new terms that contained in sports articles are dominated by compound words, that is a combination of two different words into one word that has different meanings and functions as well as used in certain circumstances. For example, the word ‘kickoff’ which is formed from two different words that is kick (N) and off (Adv). After the two words joined, the meaning and function become different. It was originally a combination of noun with adverb, and now into noun. Compound words can be found in many cases. In this case the writer found compound words contained in sport articles. Therefore, the compound words become an interesting object to be researched.
Compound word is part of morphological analysis that learns about the structure of words. Compound words are two or more words that put together to form a new word with a new meaning. According to Yule (2006:54) joining of two separate words to produce a single form is called as compounding. As said before that compound word is created from two or more word that combines and become new meaning. In combining compound words, one word is the core and the other word describes or explains the essential word. So the meaning of a compound word is interconnected.

A word composed of two or more words, which may be written as a single word or as words separated by spaces or hyphens to form new meaning (Fromkin, et.al, 2014:57). For example such girlfriend, icy-cold, headstrong, sundown, etc. Words in compound words do not emphasize the meaning of each word, but the new meaning which formed of group words. Based on the explanation above, the writer tries to give examples of compound words contained in the other reference. For example:

“Belmont Park started its countdown to the Breeders' Cup yesterday when a dozen of the leading contenders for 1993 championships.” (HORSE RACING: NOTEBOOK; Breeders' Cup Countdown Begins By JOSEPH DURSO Published: October 8, 1993)

The compound word countdown is formed from two words with the same categories count (N) and down (N). The compound countdown contains constituents which function as the head (down) and modifier (count), the meaning of countdown is an act of counting numerals of seconds that remains before something happens, (before the game or end match towards and launching of a rocket or missile). It can be understood that the type of the word countdown is an endocentric compound.
The researcher tries to prove the originality of this study by comparing previous studies related to morphology studies, especially in compound words. There are some previous studies which have concerned to the similar topic on compound words.

The first study was done by Komanah (2014) from State Islamic University Sunan Gunung Djati Bandung with the title “An analysis of Compound Word Used in Sport News’s Articles of Jakarta Post’s Newspaper”. This research focuses on explains of how a language or word is formed. The researcher analyzed the types, meaning, and categories of compound word in sport articles which taken from The Jakarta Post Newspaper. From the research, the writer found 20 data as endocentric compound 16 data as exocentric compound, and 14 data as copulative compound. The writer concluded that this research most dominated by endocentric compound which through by process of Noun + Noun.

The second research is students scientific articles with entitled “A Morphological Analysis on English Compound Words in Five Articles of BBC News” was made by Kurinta Septi Rahayu, Sukarno, and Dewianti Khazanah (2016) from Jember University. This research focuses on identifying English compound words based on the morphological aspect, they are the types, orthographic features, and meaning of compounds. The data on this research are taken from five selected articles on website of BBC news. The researchers found 4 types of compounds, they are compound noun, compound verb, compound adjectives, and neo-classical compounds. Beside it, the researchers found 2 meaning of compound that classified into endocentric compound and exocentric compound.
The third is from State Islamic University Syarif Hidayatullah Jakarta was conducted by Denise Sheilla Noumiati (2016) with entitled “An Analysis of Compound Words on Culinary Terms in Master Chef U.S Season 7 (2016)”. This research focuses on the processes of compound words used on the food terms. In the analysis, the research took 15 terms of menu names that can be concluded that there are 10 culinary terms which are classified as compound noun, 3 terms are adjectives compound, and 2 terms are compound verbs. Beside it, the research found 12 data of attributive compound, 2 data are subordinative compound, and 1 data is coordinative compound. Therefore, the research found 13 data are transparent meaning and 2 data are opaque meaning.

This research is similar with the previous study that analysis the compound word which mention above. The differences with the previous studies are the data and the source of data, the theory, and method of analysis the data. This research aims to analyze the morphological types and the classification of compound words.

Based on the description above, the writer develop the phenomenon into the research on the process of forming compound words and their types with the form of data taken from New York Times online version especially in sports articles with the title “Compound Words on Sport Articles in New York Times Online Newspaper”.

1.2 Problem Statements

According to explanation on research background, problem statements that will be discusses on this research are following:
1. What is the types of morphological process of compound words on sport articles in *New York Times* online newspaper?

2. What is the classification of compound words on sport articles in *New York Times* online newspaper?

### 1.3 Purposes of The Study

Purposed on this study are following:

1. To analyze the types morphological process of compound words on sport articles in *New York Times* online newspaper.

2. To found classification of compound words on sport articles in *New York Times* online newspaper.

### 1.4 Significances of The Study

Theoretically, this research should contribute to development of science and languages, this study will take contribution for linguistics, especially in morphology. It gives some knowledge regarding to the form and types of compound words that found on articles in newspaper.

Practically, this research should contribute to students and lecturers who are studies about morphological process especially on compound words, and as reference for other researchers who are researched in similar field.

### 1.5 Definition of The Key Terms

To avoid any mistakes in interpreting the tittle of this research, it is regarded necessary to explain the terms relating to it.

**Morphology** is the study of word that focuses especially on the internal structure of the words.
Morphological process is the processes of forming a new words by connecting a morpheme with another morpheme that concern lexeme into a single words.

Compounding is the process of combining two words to create a new single word (commonly a noun, verb, or adjective).

Compound words are two or more words linked together to produce a word with a new meaning.

Sport articles are articles that include news and developments around sports such as matches or scores.