

CHAPTER I

INTRODUCTION

This chapter presents background of the research, statement of problem, research objective, research significance, and definition of key terms.

1.1 Background



Morphology is a branch of linguistics which deals with the study of a word and its internal structure which affects the change of meaning. Moreover, Geert (2005: 7) states that morphology term refers to a study of the structure of the word, systematic word, the formation of word that has a relationship with its meaning. Morphology also covers how users of a particular language understand complex words, and find lexical items. Thus, Morphological studies in this research are used to analyze the word and how the word is formed that the word has a form and a meaning.

Morphological process is the formation of a word in the form and meaning according to need in a single act of substitutions. Moreover, morphological process is a process of word formation by connecting one morpheme to other morphemes. The definition of morphological process according to Chaer (2012: 25) is the formation of a word from a base form of words through affixation and reduplication process.

The formation of words will undergo another one of two processes, inflection and derivation. Derivation in particular is a process of forming a word that produces new lexeme. According to Ba'dulu and Herman (2006:12)

morphological derivation takes one word and turns it into another word. In other words, derivation is creating a new lexical word or creating a word from another syntactic category. Derivation is uses lexical meaning to make (or derive) new words and to change a word from grammatical class to another.

Suffixes are bound morphemes which are attached to the end of the word. The example includes *-able* in noticeable, *-less* in careless, *-s* in seeks, *-en* in shorten, and so on. According to Plag (2002) suffix is divided into four types, namely nominal suffix, verbal suffix, adjective suffix, and adverbial suffix.

Nominal suffixes are the formation of a noun by adding a suffix then the word will form a new word. Nominal suffix is often used to produce the formation of nouns either from the verb, adjective, or verb itself. The formation of the noun may produce or demonstrate the action, the result of that action, or any other concept which is still in contact with the formation of the noun itself (Plag, 2002:109).

The research itself will discuss the process of derivational nominal suffixes in Harry Potter and The Sorcerer's Stone novel. In relation to this, there are a lot of previous studies that work on the same topic. Some of them are conducted by Aryati (2014) that focuses on derivational affix in a novel by taking the theory from Rachmanie (1986), Windiantari (2013) who works on determining the type and function of prefix and suffix by using two theories, theory of Quirk (1973) which describes the types of prefix and suffix, and the theory from Bauer (1984) that describe English word formation, and Prabandari (2014). The focus of the research is to analyze the types of morphological process that occurs in word-

classes that can be transformed into another class of words which use morphology theory proposed by Bauer and Katamba (1983).

This study is different from the three previous studies. In the object and theory used. Besides, the way to analyze data is different as well. All previous studies analyze data by explaining them through tables and were not further explained. In this study, the researcher will make it clear by analyzing the data obtained descriptively. As a result, the readers will know the process of word formation that has been obtained in a simple and easy to understand.

In the research, the researcher has chosen *Harry Potter and The Sorcerer's Stone* novel by J.K Rowling because this novel is the first series of Harry Potter is written by her. In the novel there are words that contain elements of suffix. Their word formation could be promoted in the framework of scientific discourse, and the style of language used in the novel is very simple. This novel can be understood by the reader easily. Thus, this research will focus on analyzing word formation in the novel *Harry Potter and The Sorcerer's Stone*.

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1.2 Statement of Problem

In *Harry Potter* novel, there are a lot of words as a result of derivational process. This fact is interesting to be further analyzed by answering the following research question:

1. What types of nominal suffixes are found in *Harry Potter and The Sorcerer's Stone* novel by J.K Rowling?

2. How is the process of derivational nominal suffixes in *Harry Potter and The Sorcerer's Stone* novel change the meaning?

1.3 Research Objective

Based on the statement of problem above, the research objectives are as follows:

1. To analyze types of nominal suffixes in *Harry Potter and The Sorcerer's Stone* novel by J.K Rowling.
2. To explain the process of derivational nominal suffixes in *Harry Potter and The Sorcerer's Stone* novel by J.K Rowling.

1.4 Research Significance

The researcher hopes that this research will be beneficial for the researcher and reader in general. The studies of suffix in the novel have some benefits. The benefits of the study in theoretical are first, the study can contribute to the science of linguistics, especially the relation between suffix and literary work. Second, the reader can improve the ability in English language about suffix used in the novel and enrich the knowledge body of morphology.

Additionally, this study has benefits. First, it can become one of source of information for the next researcher who studies the same topic. It can also provide contribution as the reference for them who want to analyze or study element of suffix in the novel.

1.5 Definition of Key Terms

To avoid misconception in conceiving the terms in this research, the researcher makes clarification of key terms to explain some words:

1) Morphology

Morphology is term refers to a study on the structure of the word, systematic word, the formation of word and has relationship with the meaning of the word (Geert, 2005: 7).

2) Morphological process

Morphological process is the formation of a word from base a form of words through affixation, reduplication process until the process of composition (Chaer, 2012: 25).

3) Derivation

Derivation is creating a new lexical on a word or create a word from another syntactic category (Ba'dulu & Herman, 2006: 12).

4) Suffixes

Suffixes are bound morphemes which are attached to the end of the word. (Zapata, 2000)

5) Novel

Novel is part of fiction that has a role as an entertainer, on the other hand also has a role as a learning instrument for the general public is one of them may take a message contained in a novel. (Eagleton, 2005:1)

