

ABSTRACT

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Vocabulary is the most important aspect the students have to be master when they are studying English. However, many students find vocabulary as one of the problems that they face when they want to learn English. Therefore, it is important to do a research entitled “Improving Students’ Vocabulary mastery by Using Acrostic Poem”.

In this research, the problem is “ how can the use of Acrostic Poem improve the eight grade students’ vocabulary mastery of SMP Plus Al Mubarak? How can acrostic poem improve students active participation? and the objective of this research referring to the research problem is to find out how Acrostic pom can improve the eight grade students’ vocabulary mastery and students active participation of SMP Plus Al Mubarak in the 2019/2020 academic year by making a simple acrostic poem.

The design of this research is classroom action research. The research subject is VIII class consisting of 21 students. The data are collected using test method, and the instrument used is test items. In order to analyze the data-students’ vocabulary score, percentage formula is used.

The implementation of Acrostic poem was done in two cycles. All the students were active in teaching and learning activities, and they didn’t feel bored because they can compete each other. Those caused the result of cycle two achieved the criteria of success. Acrostic poem improved the students’ vocabulary mastery in two cycles from the percentage of students score ≥ 70 (E = 66%) in cycle 1 to (E = 76%) in cycle 2.

Based on the research result, it can be concluded that vocabulary is able to improve the students’ vocabulary mastery and students active participation at eight grade students of SMP Plus Al Mubarak in the 2019/2020 academic year by making a simple poem with a group.