

ABSTRACT

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Humour is a complex phenomenon. Because of it, studies of humour are still low, although actually studies of humour are needed. Despite its complexity, humour is a common phenomenon in everyday life, becoming the vehicle for mass entertainment that has many types. One of them is in the form verbal humour found in BBC Radio Drama Series *Cabin Pressure: Abu Dhabi*. Related to verbal humour, a theory of verbal humour called General Theory of Verbal Humour (GTVH) is known, making it captivating to conduct a linguistic research on verbal humour.

This research, *A Linguistic Analysis of Verbal Humour Found in BBC Radio Drama Series Cabin Pressure: Abu Dhabi* was meant to conduct an analysis of verbal humour. The first objective of the research was to investigate the types of verbal humour found in *BBC Radio Drama Series Cabin Pressure: Abu Dhabi*. The second objective was to analyse verbal humour found in *BBC Radio Drama Series Cabin Pressure: Abu Dhabi* linguistically using GTVH.

The study was a qualitative study. The data of the study was gathered by employing document or content analysis. The main instrument used in this research was human instrument. In answering the first research question, the verbal humour categorization proposed by Shade (1996) was employed, whereas the second was answered by utilizing GTVH proposed by Attardo (1994).

The research resulted in several findings. There were 67 verbal humours collected in BBC Radio Drama *Cabin Pressure: Abu Dhabi* that fell into 9 out of the 12 categories. The most frequent verbal humour was satire (29.9%), followed by irony (22.4%), wit (19.4%), sarcasm (16.4%), joke (6.0%), and pun, riddle, farce, and tall tale with 1.5% for each. The verbal humour found was analysed linguistically by utilizing the six Knowledge Resources (KRs) of the GTVH: Script Opposition (SO), Logical Mechanism (LM), Situation (SI), Target (TA), Narrative Strategy (NS), and Language (LA). The analysis was done in a hierarchical way following the hierarchal order of the six KRs to investigate the verbal humour starting from its core element.

Keywords: Verbal Humour, Types, GTVH, Knowledge Resources

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Humor merupakan fenomena yang kompleks. Oleh karena itu, penelitian tentang humor masih rendah, walaupun sebenarnya sangat dibutuhkan. Meskipun kompleks, humor adalah fenomena umum dalam kehidupan sehari-hari, terutama dalam dunia hiburan yang beraneka ragam. Salah satunya adalah humor verbal yang terdapat pada BBC Radio Drama Series Cabin Pressure: Abu Dhabi. Terkait dengan humor verbal, diketahui General Theory of Verbal Humour (GTVH) yang menarik penelitian linguistik mengenai humor verbal.

Penelitian berjudul A Linguistic Analysis of Verbal Humour Found in BBC Radio Drama Series Cabin Pressure: Abu Dhabi ini bermaksud untuk menganalisis humor verbal. Tujuan pertama penelitian ini adalah untuk mengetahui tipe humor verbal di BBC Radio Drama Series Cabin Pressure: Abu Dhabi. Sedangkan tujuan kedua adalah untuk menganalisis humor verbal yang terdapat di BBC Radio Drama Series Cabin Pressure: Abu Dhabi secara linguistik menggunakan GTVH.

Penelitian kualitatif ini menggunakan analisis dokumen untuk keperluan pengumpulan data. Instrumen utama penelitian ini adalah instrument manusia. Dalam menjawab pertanyaan pertama, kategorisasi humor verbal menurut Shade (1994) digunakan. Sedangkan pertanyaan kedua dijawab dengan menggunakan GTVH oleh Attardo (1994).

Penelitian ini menghasilkan beberapa temuan. Ditemukan 67 humor verbal dalam BBC Radio Drama Series Cabin Pressure: Abu Dhabi yang tergolong dalam 9 kategori. Humor verbal yang paling banyak adalah satire (29,9%), diikuti irony (22,4%), wit (19,4%), sarcasm (16,4%), joke (6,0%), dan pun, riddle, farce, serta tall tale dengan masing-masing 1,5%. Humor verbal dianalisis secara linguistik dengan menggunakan enam Knowledge Resources (KRs) dari GTVH: Script Opposition (SO), Logical Mechanism (LM), Situation (SI), Target (TA), Narrative Strategy (NS), dan Language (LA). Analisis ini dilakukan secara berurutan, mengikuti hirarki enam KRs untuk mengamati humor verbal mulai dari elemen intinya.

Kata kunci: Verbal Humour, Types, GTVH, Knowledge Resources