ABSTRACT


Abstract

In expressing emotive feelings, people tend to use bad language by uttering taboo words. Despite the fact that taboo words are prohibited and avoided in society, some people still tend to use them as well as find them uncensored in some series or movies. The objectives of this research are to identify types of taboo words and to identify functions of taboo words uttered by male and female characters in Euphoria Season 1 Episode: Shook Ones Pt. II. This research applied a descriptive qualitative method. The data of this research are in the form of sentences or dialogues containing taboo words which are collected from the transcript of the series. This research found 107 taboo words from 78 dialogues. There are four types of taboo words uttered by the characters in this episode, namely obscenity, profanity, vulgarity and epithets. Based on the data analysis, obscenity becomes the most frequently uttered by both male and female characters. In analyzing the functions of taboo words, all four functions of taboo words are found in this episode, which are to draw attention, to show contempt, to be aggressive or provocative, and to mock authority. The most frequently uttered by both male and female characters is the function to draw attention. The function to be aggressive or provocative becomes the least frequently uttered by male characters, whereas the least frequently uttered by female characters is the function to mock authority, which is only uttered once.

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