

# AN ANALYSIS OF SWEAR WORDS IN *BAD BOYS* MOVIE

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## INTRODUCTION

Swear words can be used to express our emotion or strong feeling. According to Jay and Janschewitz (2008) [1] the main function of swearing is to express emotions, especially anger and frustration. As an example, Andersson and Trudgill (in Lindahl, 2008) [2] said that the word fuck can be used to express pain, pleasure, hate, and love depending on the context it appears. This inspires me to do the analysis about the swear words used in the movie entitled *Bad Boys* because in general swear words only used to express the users bad emotions or feelings. In this research the writer focusses on the swear words used in terms of the types of swear words and the mostly types used. The types of swear words were analyzed by using theory of Andersson and Trudgill (as cited in Lindahl, 2008:4) [3] they categorized swear words into four different types: (1) expletive, (2) abusive, (3) humorous, and (4) auxiliary. The purposes of the research are to find the swear words used, types of the swear words used and to determine the mostly used types of swear words. There are a number of researches done about swear words. Some of them are Fägersten, Dalarna, Sweden (2007) [4], they studied about a sociolinguistic analysis of swear word offensiveness. Then, Lindahl (2008) [5], studied about taboo words and swear words in general, and x-words in newspapers.

## METHOD

In this research the writer use qualitative method. Mason. (2002) [6] state that qualitative research should produce explanations or arguments, rather than claiming to offer mere

descriptions. The source of data is the movie entitled *Bad Boys*. The procedures used in this research was watching the movie to collect the data that consist of swearwords by screenshot all of the scene that contain swear words, then the writer wrote all the data and classified them in the table, then analyzed the data based on the theory that writer used.

## RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

This research found 89 data of swear words. The most types used of the swear words in *Bad Boys* movie is Expletive type that consist of 60 data, Abusive with 23 data, next is Humorous 4 data and the last type is Auxiliary with 2 data. Expletive swear words is used to express the user emotions of strong feeling such as anger, frustration or disappointment but this type is not directed toward others, one of the examples found in the source of data is when Marcus saying "Damn" in this word Marcus is expressing how disappointed he is when his fried potato for breakfast suddenly fell down to the car floor. Abusive swear words is the type that is insulting or offensive. This type is directed towards others and some include name calling, one of the examples found in the source of data is when a thief saying "You fat fuck!" to his partner because the thief cannot run after the girl that they want to kidnap, this utterance is to expressed his emotion and insulted his friend. The next type is Humorous, this type is for a joke and this type is directed but not abusive one of the examples found in the data is "Move your ass. We got 6 minutes" the word ass that used is directed to people but not abusive, because this utterance is just for ordering someone to finish his work quickly, as we know we used our feet to move but, in this data, he

used word ass for joking. The last type is Auxiliary this type is not directed to people or situation, in this type swearing is a way of speaking and it is “often or always non-emphatic”. One of the examples found in the source of data is “Cutting drugs and shit like that?” the word shit used here is refers to something like a drugs, he changed to shit in order to make the variety of word used.

Table 1. Types of swear words in *Bad Boys* movie

N O	Types of Swear Words			
	Expletive	Abusive	Humorous	Auxiliary
1.	<b>Damn</b>	So get the <b>fuck</b> out of the car.	Move your <b>ass</b> . We got 6 minutes.	Cutting drugs and <b>shit</b> like that?
2.	What the <b>fuck</b> ?	I love you, man. <b>Fuck you</b> , Marcus	<b>Barking-ass dog</b> .	I’m always decorating, so sometimes I just don’t know where <b>shit</b> is
3.	This is <b>fucked</b> up	You fat <b>fuck</b> !		
4.	<b>Fuck</b>	Now you’re in <b>fucking</b> trouble.		
5.	<b>Fucking</b> door	You’re <b>fucking</b> with my timetable.		
6.	Leave me the <b>fuck</b> alone	Son of a <b>bitch</b> !		
7.	Oh, shit. I’m <b>fucked</b> .			
8.	No time. <b>Fuck</b> the backup			

## CONCLUSION AND SUGGESTION

The conclusion is swear words is not just for expressing anger or bad emotions, swear words also can be used to joking like in the data found in this research, it depends on the context and to whom they speaks. The suggestions for the other researchers who want to analyzes swear words are, the other researcher can focus only to one type of swear words based on the theory that I used, or used other theory like 4 words swear words.

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