# An Analysis of Emotional Expressions as Found in the *Love Hurts Quotes*Mieke Savira<sup>1</sup>, Yusrita Yanti<sup>2</sup>

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#### **ABSTRACT**

In general, emotions can be expressed through behavior and facial expressions but now the writer analyzed how the basic emotions are expressed verbally or linguistically. In this research the writer analyzed the emotional expressions found in *Love Hurts Quotes*, how the emotions are conveyed both literally and non-literally, and the ways how the emotions are expressed. This analysis aims to find the basic emotions and their sub-classification expressed and to describe how the basic emotions are conveyed in terms of words in the *Love Hurts Quotes*. In this study, the writer used the method qualitative method for research analysis. The results of this study indicate that from the 53 data analyzed, the writer can classify the findings of emotional expression, namely 4 emotions of love, 4 emotions of Joy, 32 emotions of Anger, 10 emotions of Sadness, and 3 emotions of fear. The ways such emotions are expressed through words and figuratively. There are seven figurative languages used to express emotions. This shows that the quotes from Love Hurt Quotes *are* not just empty words but they show the deep meaning expressed by the author that can be enjoyed by everyone.

## Keywords: Basic Emotion, Language and Emotion, Figurative Language

#### INTRODUCTION

The study of expressing emotions is always evolving and has many different points of view. According to Plutchik in Strongman said that emotions have two functions, (1) "to communicate information about intentions or possible behavior, and (2) to increase the chances of survival when faced with an emergency" [1]. This happens because emotions are an important of human life when interacting communicating so that development is always needed in studying the clarity of human emotions., it can be explained that expressing emotions can be done with various words as emotional expressions, either literally (literally) or not. (non-literal) figuratively[2]. The author analyzes using a structured list of basic emotions and figurative language theory. The structured list of basic emotion theories focuses on love, joy, surprise, anger, sadness, and fear as proposed by Parrot [3], but the authors found only five structured in this study. To describe how the basic emotions are conveyed in the form of words in Love Hurts Quotes, the author also uses the theory of figurative language proposed by Leech, namely personification, simile, metaphor, hyperbole, irony, litotes, metonymy, and oxymoron [4], but the author only found several types in this study. The theory by Saeed is also the author's reference to finding the way emotions are expressed using literal language [5] The many variations of emotion research have inspired the author to analyze the emotional expressions found in Love Hurts Ouotes.

Various studies on emotions have been reviewed in various fields, especially linguistics. As emotions are studied in presidential debates through speeches [6] and even studies of emotions in two languages[7] or only studying one emotion in several domains such as Chinese New Year speech [8]. Thus, it is very interesting to know how emotions are formed and how to convey them in a quote.

### **METHOD**

In this research, the writer used qualitative methods for research analysis. This method is suitable to be analyzed and used well to learn the emotional language of Love Hurts. According to Creswell "qualitative research is the process of investigating understanding based on different methodological traditions of inquiry that explore social or human problems"[9]. After the writer coding and collecting the data, the writer analyzed and interpreted the data analysis according to the theories used.

#### RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

The structured list of basic emotions classified by Parrot is found in Love Hurts Quotes. All the data are taken from *Love Hurts Quotes* from Pinterest [10]. , the writer can classify the findings of emotional expression, namely 4 emotions of Love, 4 emotions of Joy, 32 emotions of Anger, 10 emotions of Sadness, and 3 emotions of Fear. This way of expressing emotions is found in two ways, namely literal and non-literal with figurative language.

Love emotion is found by the writer in the example below.

1) Please take care of yourself. I love you.

The explanation of the quote is the emotion of love, from the word "take care yourself .." is a form of affection for someone who does not want the person he loves to be hurt.

The joy emotions show in the quotes below.

2) Don't let your struggle become your identity.

This quote is just a reminder that it is not known just because of struggle, but can be classified into the emotion of joy with the category of optimism. As an encouragement so that we can be known by someone as ourselves, without any other identity.

The quotes below show angry emotions.

3) How did I ever give someone the power to fuck me up this bad?

Anger is implied in a lateral way where the writer states a swear by using the phrase fuck up. This phrase expresses exasperation and aggravation of annoyance In correlation with the theory of Parrot about emotion, the word fuck me up this bad is a way to convey anguish, disgust, and glumness. This quote is included in negative emotion, where it contains disgust emotion.

Sad emotions show in the data below.

4) You lose yourself trying to hold on to someone who doesn't care about losing you

The data above express alienation which is the tertiary emotion of sad emotion. The alienation is conveyed by what is seen in the contrast difference in action and reaction in trying to defend someone and even getting a reaction is ignored.

The fear emotions show in the data below.

5) I wonder how many times we forgive just because we don't want to lose someone. Even if they don't deserve forgiveness.

It can be seen the use of the word "...lose someone" tells about being left behind, this can be classified into the emotion of Fear according to Parrot's view.

The author uses the theory of Saeed explaining that literally there is a context-free meaning, everyone understands the literal meaning, for example below

6) Today is hard day.. I feel so alone

The author of Quotes gives a direct message to his feelings by using the word "Today is hard day .." makes the researcher get the message from the Quotes, that he is tired and feels lonely.

The writer also uses the theory of figurative language stated by Leech to understand the existing data more deeply.

The metaphor is seen in the data below.

7) Love is friendship on fire

The quotes above use the metaphor of "fire", Fire does not mean denotatively fir, but a flame of optimism, and ambition.

Personification is found by the writer in the data below.

8) My heart is so tired.

These quotes express the disappointment conveyed by the personification of the heart. In this data, conscience can feel tired. This is the use of personification where something non-living can do what humans do.

Simile shows in the data below.

9) It hurts when you realize you aren't as important to someone as you thought you were.

These quotes contain simile because the object has dissent.

The quotes below show irony.

10) My feelings? Oh don't worry about those, no one else does.

In this quote, he says that his feelings are fine, but by using the phrase "...no one else does." the writer could tell that it was an insinuation that he/she was not doing well.

Hyperbole shows in the quotes below.

11) If a man expects a woman to be an angel in his life, he must first create heaven for her. Angles don't live in hell.

The word "angel" creates heaven and hell also categorized as a hyperbole metaphor.

#### **CONCLUSION**

Based on the research that has been done, the writer found five emotional expressions contained in Quotes, of the 6 emotions classified by Parrot's Theory the emotion of surprise was not found because in the data there were no Quotes that were suitable to be expressed with the emotion of surprise. From the 53 data analyzed, we can classify the findings of emotional expression, namely 4 emotions of love, 4 emotions of Joy, 32 emotions of Anger, 10 emotions of Sadness, and 3 emotions of Fear. This way of expressing emotions is found in two ways, namely literal and non-literal. Literally, the writer uses a dictionary to directly interpret the words from the

Quotes, and literally or figurative language Quotes are classified according to Leech's theory

#### SUGGESTION

This study provides several suggestions for other researchers who want to analyze other emotions in quotes. The findings of mixed emotion on emotions found. Quotes Love and Hurts can be developed by further researchers to be analyzed with other linguistic fields like Semantics. Other researchers can also find expressions of surprise emotions that are not found in this Love Hurts Quotes data source. This research can also increase knowledge for other researchers that emotional expression can be studied in the field of linguistics.

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