

# THE DIFFICULTIES TO SPEAK ENGLISH ENCOUNTERED BY THE THIRD YEAR BIOLOGY DEPARTMENT STUDENTS OF BUNG HATTA UNIVERSITY

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## INTRODUCTION

English becomes the most essential language that is used by people to communicate each other. All of people communicate for some communicative purposes. If we want to be good at English, we should master four skills for example speaking, listening, reading and writing [1]. Speaking and listening are included in productive skills, while reading and writing included in receptive skills. Speaking is the main challenge for learners and often makes them frustrated so that the speaking strategies for learners are needed very much [2].

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## METHOD

The purpose of this research was to analyze students difficulties in speaking at Biology Department students of Bung Hatta University. The design of this research was descriptive research. The population of this research was the third year Biology Department Students of Bung Hatta University. The total of sample members were 10 students, they were chosen by using total sampling technique [4]. The data were collected through speaking test by video. To make the test reliable, the researcher used inter-rater method. It means that there were two scorers to check the students' speaking by video. The correlation of

coefficients of two scores was 0.79. It means the test was reliable.

## FINDINGS AND DISCUSSION

The result of this research showed that in general the students had difficulty in speaking at Biology Department students of Bung Hatta University. It was proved by the finding that there are 70% had difficulty. The students had difficulty in using correct grammar; it was proved by finding that 70% students having difficulties. The students had difficulty in pronouncing word; it was proved by finding that 90% students having difficulties. The students had no difficulty in appropriate vocabulary; it was proved by finding that 100% students had no difficulty. The students having difficulties in fluency, it was proved by finding that 30% students having difficulty.

Table 1. The students who had or no difficulty in speaking

Apects	Category	The Percentage of Students
Speaking	Having difficulties	70%
Grammar	Having difficulties	70%
Pronunciation	Having difficulties	90%
Vocabulary	Having difficulties	0%
Fluency	Having difficulties	30%

## CONCLUSION AND SUGGESTION

Based on the result of this research, it can be concluded that The Difficulties to Speak English Encountered by The Third Year Biology Students of Bung Hatta University having difficulties.

**Keywords:** Speaking, Biology students, Difficulties

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