ABSTRACT

Priyanti, N. L. P. N (2022). Improving the Analytical Exposition Writing Skill of the Eleventh Grade Students of SMA Widiatmika Jimbaran in Academic Year 2022/2023 Through Brainstorming. The First Advisor: Dr. Ida Ayu Made Sri Widiastuti, S.Pd., M.Pd., M.hum and second advisor: Ni Made Wersi Murtini, S.Pd., M.Pd.

Writing is one of the productive language skills that students in all grades should learn. In school, writing is taught to develop and generate the students' ideas or thoughts in written form, such as a text. However, the students still had difficulties making a well-written text, especially in generating and organizing their ideas in a analitical exposition text. In addition, they did not know how to organize the paragraph in terms of generic structures, unity, and coherence. Besides, the English teacher still used a monotonous strategy in teaching writing, and it was boring to some students. The present research objective was mainly intended to find out whether the writing skill of the eleventh-grade students of SMA Widiatmika Jimbaran 2 in academic year 2022/2023 can be improved through the brainstorming technique. The present study made use of a classroom action research design that was conducted in two cycles. The required data were collected by administering research instruments: paragraph construction tests in the pre-test and post-tests and a structured questionnaire for the study subjects. After the cycles research processes, it was found that the brainstorming was appropriate to improve the subjects' writing skills, primarily writing analytical exposition text. It could be seen from the results of the pre-test, post-test 1, and posttest 2, which showed significant improvement in the students' writing skills. Furthermore, it was supported by the structured questionnaire, which showed positive responses to the implementation of the brainstorming technique. It can be concluded that writing skill of the eleventh-grade students of SMA Widiatmika Jimbaran in academic year 2022/2023 could be improved by implementing brainstorming technique.

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