

# Swear Word Used by Different Gender in Gangster Community as Represented in TV Series *Peaky Blinders*

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**Abstrak:** This study aims to identify the types and function of swear word TV Series *Peaky Blinders*. The researcher uses a contentanalysis type with a descriptive-qualitative approach as a research method. The data of this study are gained from episode 1 - 3 of *Peaky Blinders* season 1. Simak dan Catat technique (listening, reading, and taking notes) was used in this study to collect data. The researcher used the interactive model of Miles, Huberman, and Saldana for data analysis, which consists of three steps: data reduction, data display, and conclusion drawing/verification. This study finds out that found there are 86 total data swear words on episode 1 until 3 *Peaky Blinders*, with 70 swear words by men and 16 swear words data by women. The researcher used Hughes's theory to analyze the type and Andersson and Trudgill's theory to analyze the function. In conclusion. Men has more variative and goals when they are swearing than women.

Kata kunci: Swear Word, Gender, Peaky Blinders

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## **INTRODUCTION**

Language is the most effective communication tool to convey ideas, thoughts, intentions and goals to others. Apart from being a means of communication, language is also has another way to express people's feeling by using swear word. Swear wordis a type of linguistic expression that are often considered to be bad language. This is because all swear words are taboo words, which are words or phrases that are avoided or forbidden in some social or cultural context. Taboo words can be associated with taboo topics, such as sex, death, or bodily functions. They can also be associated with taboo groups, such as social outcasts or minority groups stated by Karjalainen (2002). Since swear word is judged as a bad word, many individuals choose to refrain from using it in their daily conversations. Nevertheless, not everyone shares this belief, and swear word remains a legitimate aspect of human language. It is considered an effective means of expressing intense frustration or anger in difficult situation. So, swear word does not always be an offensive or rude word that can hurt others. That statement will be studied in this research

Nowadays there are a lot of peoples who utter swear word in community. For example is the gangster community. This community is known as criminal community, so it is not surprised that there are a lot peoples in this community both men or women who utter the swear word. Since the discussion of swear word cannot be separated from pros and cons, therefore, the kinds of swear word and its functions become the main concerns of this study. This thesis digs deeper into the swear word said by the men and women characters in serial Peaky Blinders..

Sociolinguistic studies of movies have been conducted by some researcher. Most of those previous studies discussed the types, the function, and the factor affecting the use of swearword. Research about swear word using movie has been studied by Prayuda, Suarnajaya, Juniarta (2019) about finding out the types of swear word that is used in the Moonlight movie and to analyze the purpose of the characters. This study used characteristic of swear word theory by Wardhaugh (2006) and Andersson and Trugill (1992) to analyzing the data. Another study by Khoirunnisa (2016), This research was a qualitative study that analyzed the use of swear words in the movie Deadpool. The researcher found five types of swear words in the movie: sex terms, body part terms, excretion terms, death terms, and animal terms. The most common type of swear word was sex terms, which were used by the characters in the movie more than any other type of swear word. The writer of the research also categorized the swear words in the movie: intensifier, exclamation of annoyance, insult, exclamation of surprise, rejection, surprised question, and intensifier of unconcern.

Though those research has the similar topic with previous study above which is using movie as media to research the swear word data, this research will be focused on types and function by different gender in serial Peaky Blinders. The researcher used peaky blinders on this study because this series was taken on gangster era in 1919. therefore, in this series has so much men and women character that almost swearing in every episodes. So, the researcher used peaky blinders because it is very suitable to analyzing swear word.

### METHOD

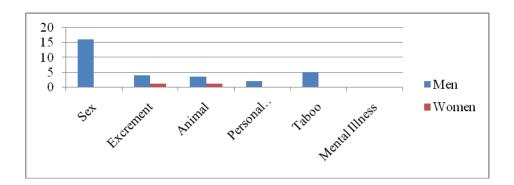
This study uses qualitative research to find out the answer to the problem that the researcher wants to identify. Creswell (2012) stated that "qualitative research is a means for exploring and understanding the meaning individuals or groups ascribe to a social human problem". The process of research involves emerging questions and procedures; collecting data in the participants setting; analyzing the data inductively, building from particulars to general themes; and making interpretations of the meaning of data. The final written report has a flexible writing

structure. The method of this study is document research which is denied as systematic procedure for reviewing or evaluating documents whether in the form of a printed or electronic document (journal). The source of the data is taken from the dialogue and transcript of TV series *Peaky blinders*. The source of data for this study is from the dialogue and transcript of TV series of Peaky Blinders. The researcher takes the data from the dialogue between all the characters from Peaky Blinders season 1. The researcher choose 3 episodes of Peaky Blinders season 1. The researcher is focuses on the utterance that the characters used on their conversation that contains a hint of swear words.. Other sources are also used by the researcher to help obtain more data on the swear words used in Peaky Blinders from book, journal, thesis, and other researcher's article. The researcher uses qualitative research for collecting the data as the method. The researcher took some steps to collecting the data. There are some steps that researcher used to collecting the data. First, the researcher watched episode 1 until 3 of Peaky Blinders season 1 on Netflix. After that, the researcher is listening and reading the dialogue before taking notes. The researcher also matched the language from the dialogue that researcher noted with the transcriptions of 3 episodes of Peaky Blinders. The researcher observed and analyzed the dialogue from Peaky Blinders into a table form. Also, the researcher examined the types and function of swear words that used in that series. The researcher goes into detail about each type and function of swear words. The data were analyzed using a qualitative method. The researcher used the interactive model of Miles, Huberman, and Saldana (2014), which consists of three steps: data reduction, data display, and conclusion drawing/verification.

# RESULT

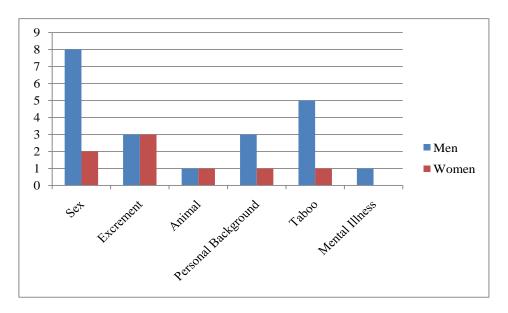
The researcher analyzed the type and function of swear word that used by different gender on TV Series *Peaky Blinders*.

## A. Type of Swear Word

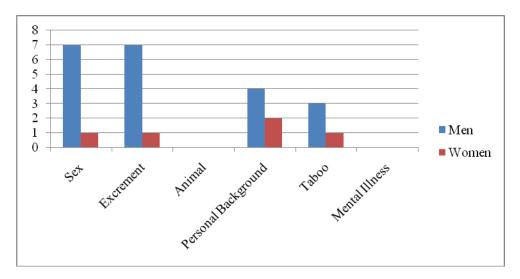


1) The data from episode 1 *Peaky Blinders*.

#### 2) The data from episode 2 *Peaky Blinders*.

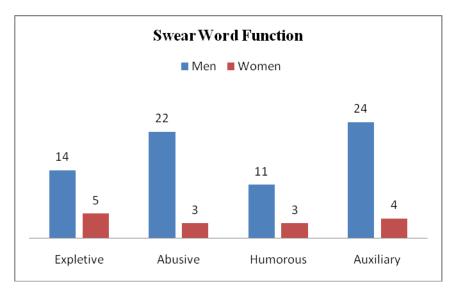


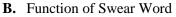
## 3) The data from episode 3 *Peaky Blinders*.



The researcher found there are 86 total data swear words on episode 1 until 3 *peaky Blinders*, with 70 swear words by men and 16 swear words data by women. The researcher divided the data into 3 diagrams that based on 3 episode of *peaky blinders*. To analyze the data, the researcher uses Hughes' theory to find the kind of types of swearword. There are 6 types of swear word by Hughes (2006) in Cucu (2018). The diagram above will be used to display the data analysis. The data shown in this diagram will be classified according Hughes' theory. The researcher found there are 31 sex type data by men, while women has 3 data in sex type. It also can be concluded that men has dirtier mind than women as it can seen on the big gap of data between men and women. In excrement type, the researcher found there are 14 data by men in total episode 1 until 3 while women has 5 data. Next is animal type, the researcher found there are 4 data by men and 2 data by women on episode 1 and 2 because there is no data with animal type on episode 3. The result in personal background type found there are 9data by men and

3 data by women. Next type is taboo or religion which have 13 data by men and 2 data by women. And the last is mental illness, this type bocome the least data because the researcher found only 1 data by men in total episode 1 until 3 of *peaky blinders*. There are all the data that researcher collected and analyzed in *peaky blinders* episode 1 until 3. The researcher found that men has more variative swear word type than women from the big gap data on this chapter.





The researcher found there are 86 total data swear words on episode 1 until 3 *peaky* Blinders, with 70 swear words by men and 16 swear words data by women. The researcher displays the swear word function data by diagram. To analyze the data, the researcher uses theory from Andersson and Trudgill (1990). Based on Andersson and Trudgill (1990) in Jatmiko (2018) They categorized swearing words into four functions. There are functions of swearing which are usually used in peoples communication. Each function of swearing has its own distinctive characteristics that make it different from others. They are expletive swearing, abusive swearing, humorous swearing and auxiliary swearing. The result shows in episode 1 until 3 there are 86 total data swear word, with 70 swear word data by men and 16 swear word data by women. The researcher found there are 14 expletive swear word data by men, while women has 5 data in expletive swear word. In abusive swear word function, the researcher found there are 22 data by men in total episode 1 until 3 while women has 5 data. From those, data it can be concluded when peoples are swearing, men are more offensive and rude than women. That can be seen on the big gap of the data by men and women. Next is humorous type, the researcher found there are 11 data by men and 3 data by women on all episode 1 - 3. Humorous function become the least data function. From episode 1 - 33 it can be known that peoples on 1919 is too serious on something. The last is auxiliary, this function bocomes the most data than others. There are all the data that researcher is collected and analyzed in Peaky Blinders episode 1 until 3. The researcher found that when men swearing they have more function on it.

## DISCUSSION

This study finds out that found there are 86 total data swear words on episode 1 until 3 Peaky Blinders, with 70 swear words by men and 16 swear words data by women. The researcher used Hughes's theory to analyze the type and Andersson and Trudgill's theory to analyze the function. The researcher found there are 31 sex type data by men, while women has 3 data in sex type. It also can be concluded that men has dirtier mind than women as it can seen on the big gap of data between men and women. In excrement type, the researcher found there are 14 data by men in total episode 1 until 3 while women has 5 data. Next is animal type, the researcher found there are 4 data by men and 2 data by women on episode 1 and 2 because there is no data with animal type on episode 3. The result in personal background type found there are 9data by men and 3 data by women. Next type is taboo or religion which have 13 data by men and 2 data by women. And the last is mental illness, this type bocome the least data because the researcher found only 1 data by men in total episode 1 until 3 of peaky blinders. There are all the data that researcher collected and analyzed in *peaky blinders* episode 1 until 3. The researcher found that men has more variative swear word type than women from the big gap data on this chapter. While on the function The researcher found there are 86 total data swear words on episode 1 until 3 peaky Blinders, with 70 swear words by men and 16 swear words data by women. The researcher displays the swear word function data by diagram. To analyze the data, the researcher uses theory from Andersson and Trudgill (1990). Based on Andersson and Trudgill (1990) in Jatmiko (2018) They categorized swearing words into four functions. There are functions of swearing which are usually used in peoples communication. Each function of swearing has its own distinctive characteristics that make it different from others. They are expletive swearing, abusive swearing, humorous swearing and auxiliary swearing. The result shows in episode 1 until 3 there are 86 total data swear word, with 70 swear word data by men and 16 swear word data by women. The researcher found there are 14 expletive swear word data by men, while women has 5 data in expletive swear word. In abusive swear word function, the researcher found there are 22 data by men in total episode 1 until 3 while women has 5 data. From those, data it can be concluded when peoples are swearing, men are more offensive and rude than women. That can be seen on the big gap of the data by men and women. Next is humorous type, the researcher found there are 11 data by men and 3 data by women on all episode 1-3. Humorous function become the least data function. From episode 1-3 it can be known that peoples on 1919 is too serious on something. The last is auxiliary, this function bocomesthe most data than others. There are all the data that researcher is collected and analyzed in Peaky Blinders episode 1 until 3. The researcher found that when men swearing they have more function on it.

#### CONCLUSSION

This study was carried out to examine the swear word that found in netflix TV series *Peaky Blinders* on episode1 – 3. Therefore, there are two objectives in this research. First, this research aims to find and analyze the type of swear word. Second, to find and analyze the function of swear word. The researcher find out and analyze the type and function that men and women character used in *Peaky Blinders*. As explained in the previous chapter, the researcher can draw conclusions from this research. It can be shown as follows :

1. The result of the analysis shows that in episode 1 until 3 there are 86 total data swear word, with 70 swear word data by men and 16 swear word data by women. The researcher found there are 31 sex type data by men, while women has 3 data in sex type. It also can be concluded that men has dirtier mind than women as it can seen on the big gap of data between men and women. In excrement type, the researcher found there are 14 data by men in total episode 1 until 3 while women has 5 data. Next is animal type, the researcher found there are 4 data by men. and 2 data by women on episode 1 and 2 because there is no data with animal type on episode 3. The result in personal

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2. The result of swear word function that researcher has analyze in episode 1 - 3 is there are 14 expletive swear word data by men, while women has 5 data in expletive swear word. In abusive swear word function, the researcher found there are 22 data by men in total episode 1 until 3 while women has 5 data. From those data it can be concluded when peoples are swearing, men are more offensive and rude than women. That can be seen on the big gap of the data by men and 3 data by women on all episode 1 - 3. Humorous function become the least data function. From episode 1 - 3 it can be known that peoples on 1919 is too serious on something. And the last is auxiliary, this function become the most data than others. There are all the data that researcher found that when men swearing they have more function on it. Based on the result above, it can be concluded that on this study men has more data of type and function on swearing.

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