



An Analysis Type Of Taboo Word Among The Blood Cult In *The Babysitter II* Movie

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Abstract: Taboo words means as dirty word. The Babysitter II movie is a horror comedy movie. Objective This study is to identify the types of taboo words spoken by character in the movie. This study uses descriptive qualitative because the data is in the form of word. In analyzing the data, the researcher uses the data analysis process "Flow Model". The data is in the form of utterances spoken by the characters in *The Babysitter II* movie. The results of this study are types of taboo words appear in the speech of the characters in *The Babysitter II* movie. There are Obscenity, Profanity, Vulgarity, Epithet, Blasphemy, Cursing, Slang, Insult and Slur, and Scatology. Of the 118 data found in the movie, epithet has the highest percentage and the least percentage of taboo words is cursing.

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Introduction

Taboo words are a type of taboo related to restrictions on the use of words in language as a result of social constraints. The word taboo originally referred to an action that was forbidden or should be avoided. What actions or words are prohibited reflect the customs, cultural values, and views of certain communities. Some words can be used in certain circumstances or in certain cultures, but not in others (Zonghe, 1999). People usually use taboo words to express their feelings. However, saying taboo is a habit that is meant to be uttered unconsciously not only for anger or forbidden words but also other expressions such as discontent.

The *Babysitter II* is a 2020 American horror comedy film directed by McG based on a screenplay written by Brian Duffield. In this film, there are taboo words spoken by the characters. Taboo words were spoken by the main characters of the bully and the members of the blood cult. Taboo words are mostly spoken bluntly from the beginning to the end of the film. Only a few main characters such as blood sect members used taboo words too often. The word taboo in this film gives a tense atmosphere and contains a little comedy element. It is difficult to delve into the meaning of each. However, to find out the types of taboo words, the analysis will be limited by Jay 1992's theory.

Several researchers have worked with taboos, such as Ikhsan (2015) that show the result of his study as follows. First, the form of taboo occurs in the characters' utterances in Wild Child movies. Second, the differences taboo used between British and American in Wild Child movie. Meanwhile, Fika (2015) show the result of her study are stated as follows. Analysis, four types of taboo words occur in the characters' utterances in Bad Teacher movie. In this research, the researcher aims to investigate types of taboo words in *The Babysitter II* movie. The distinction this current research and previous one is on the object of the research. The object of this research is the dialogue in *The Babysitter II* movie.

METHOD

The researcher uses qualitative data by Miles and Huberman (1994). The researcher will describe the results of research using words because the data from document. The type of research is document analysis. The data source is taken from *The Babysitter II* movie which contains taboo words. The researcher uses documentation techniques to obtain data. The researcher chose taboo words from the dialogues of the characters. After that, the researcher analyzed the data to find out the types of taboo words used by the characters in *The Babysitter II* movie. The data analysis process uses the "Flow Model" by Miles and Huberman (1994). It can be divided into four activities, namely data collection, data reduction, data presentation, and drawing conclusions/verification.

RESULT

A. FINDING

The researcher presents the data that have been collected by the researcher during the research. The research finding is about the type of taboo words, and frequency of taboo words. It is explained below:

TABEL 1. *Type of taboo words in The Babysitter II movie in general*

No.	Types of Taboo Words	Total	
		Frequency	Percentage
1.	Obscenity	13	11,01%
2.	Profanity	5	4,23%
3.	Vulgarity	26	22,03%
4.	Epithet	28	23,72%
5.	Blasphemy	4	3,38%
6.	Cursing	3	2,54%
7.	Slang	12	10,16%
8.	Insult and Slur	5	4,23%
9.	Scatology	22	18,64%
Total		118	100%

From the table above, it can be seen that Epithet and Vulgarity get a highest percentage. Insult and Slur and Profanity have the same value 5 times or 4,23%. Followed by obscenity 13 times or 11,0%. Then Scatology 22 times or 18,64%. For Slang 12 times or 10,16%. Blasphemy 4 times or 3,38%. Cursing has the lowest percentage 3 times or 2,54%. The researcher uses type of the taboo word by Jay to explain the data. Each type is explained and provided with examples.

a. Obscenity

Data 1

Cole I have a penis.

Melanie I know! Don't listen to Jimmy. He's an **idiot**.

The word "Idiot" literally means someone who is stupid. In dialogue, Melanie speaks to Cole that Jimmy looks stupid for saying that Cole doesn't have a penis

b. Profanity

Data 1

Melanie Max, go grab them.

Max **Damn**, it feels good to be back! Whoo! I'm coming, Cole! I'm coming for you!

The word Damn is more commonly used in the sense of a curse; damn you to hell. Max saying the word "Damn" because he was annoyed with Cole who always self-reported.

c. Vulgarity

Data 1

Jimmy Touché, Boom Boom

Boom Boom Get off my **dick**, Jimmy.

The word "Dick" is a vulgar term that refers to the human vital organs

d. Epithet

Data 1

Jimmy I promised to help kill people, - and you promised to stop insulting me.

John That's right, be a little **bitch**.

The conversation contains an epithet as a type of taboo word because John utters a word "bitch" to give nickname to Jimmy.

e. Blasphemy

Data 1

Melanie Stop! Cole didn't come on this trip to talk about some blood cult or the Devil's book. Can we please change the subject and.

Diego **Jesus**. OK.

The word "Jesus" is an interjection that refers to the Christian religious figure Jesus Christ. Usually spoken in anger, although sometimes also with a humorous meaning

f. Cursing

Data 1

Boom Boom I'm "autoimmune" to you, Diego.

Diego So ignorant. Yo, so you went **crazy**, right?

In the above conversation Diego said that Boom Boom was crazy because he left Diego when he was sick.

g. Slang

Data 1

Jimmy I'm here. I'm here.

Melanie Are you done **sixty-nineing**?

The word "sixty-nineing" is vulgar slang a sexual position in which two partners perform oral sex with each other simultaneously such as forming the number 69.

h. Insult and Slur

Data 1

Jimmy Yo, **Noodle!**

Melanie Please don't call me that.

The word "Noodle" in the conversation above does not merely mean a food. Jimmy calls Melanie "Noodle" because Melanie has curly hair like noodles

i. Scatology

Data 1

John Max! Stop that **shit**. It's creepy.

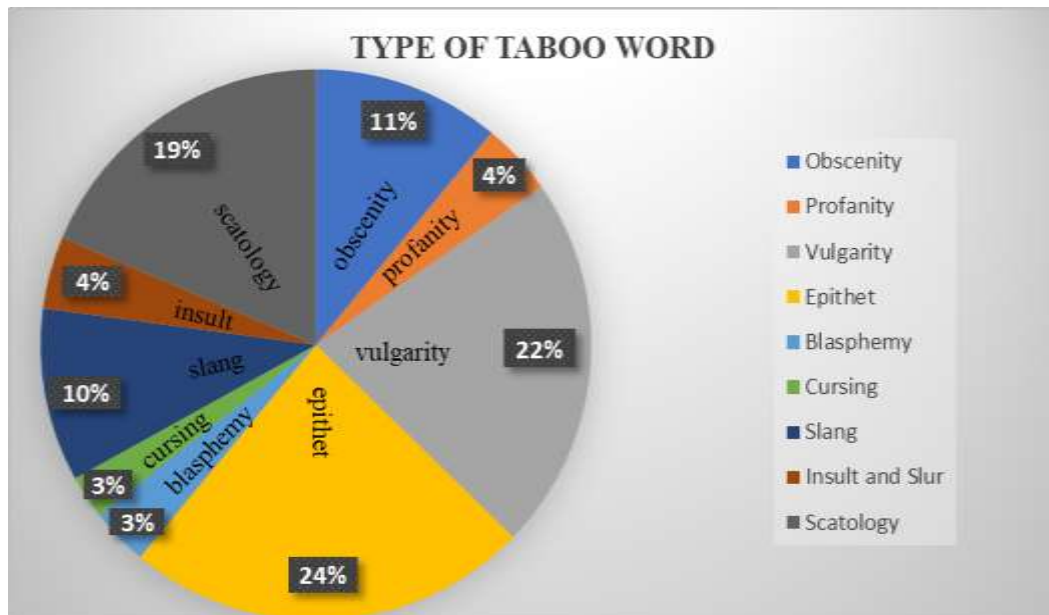
Max It's supposed to be. We're hunting children.

The word "shit" means the stupid activity of catching Cole.

B. DISCUSSION

Based on the research finding and the data analysis above, it can be explained in the following diagram:

Diagram 2.1 Type of taboo words in *The Babysitter II* movie in general



In *Babysitter II*, researchers found that there were 45 taboo words. The word "A-Cups" slightly dominates the display because it can be categorized into 3 types of taboo words, namely slang, epithet, and insults and insults. A-cups are the smallest bra size. In America, the word A-Cups has become popular culture in recent times. A-Cups is a slang word used to describe their close friends who insult their bra size. Asking or mentioning someone's bra size is commonplace nowadays, but it depends on the context. Mentioning your bra size is common, but if you are not in a close relationship, it can become taboo. Furthermore, Hymes in Fishman (1968) says that every society has at least three levels of style, namely formal or polite, casual or normal and slang or vulgar. Slang is one of the language styles used by millennials. Slang is a commonly used form of language with popular adaptation and extension of word meaning by constructing new words without regard to linguistic rules. So, the word A-Cups that Allison said had an intimate relationship with Phoebe, wasn't really meant to be talked about as a taboo subject.

Based on data from the *Journal of Female Health Science*, the largest breast size is owned by American women. While the smallest breast size is owned by women from Southeast Asia. Having a fairly large breast size is a standard of beauty for American women. In the *Babysitter II* movie, a character named Phoebe is of Asian-American. Those words were addressed by Allison to Phoebe when Allison was stuck on the rocks. Even though Allison asked Phoebe for help by calling her a nickname, Phoebe didn't seem angry and left Allison. When Allison said that, Phoebe helped Allison by pulling Allison's leg without answering Allison's words.

The word "A-Cups" was directed at Phoebe because she has relatively small bust size like Asians. This happens because of the closeness between them. This is related to positive politeness strategies, namely combining criticism with praise,

building similarities, and using jokes, nicknames, special discourse markers (please), jargon and slang in groups.

Talking about the utterance the word A-Cups here can be said as politeness strategy uses by the Allison related to Brown and Levinson' idea. Brown and Levinson (1987) explain that positive politeness strategies work to pay attention to listeners' interests, desires, and items. This strategy is used to make listeners feel good about themselves, their interests, and is most often used in situations where the speaker knows each other well. This strategy is intended to avoid the impression of being offended by prioritizing friendliness.

The data is taken from Allison's conversation with Phoebe in the Canyon. The conversation is about positive politeness to avoid disagreement by taking agreement. What Allison express shows that she agrees with Phoebe, but Allison keeps asking for help getting her off the rock first. Allison knows how to manage a positive face, so Phoebe agrees to Allison's request to save her. Allison said A-Cups to phoebe because Phoebe made it through the narrow path, while Allison's breasts got stuck in the rocks.

The type of taboo word that often appears is Epithet. Then the second type of taboo that often appears is Vulgarity. Insult and Slur and Profanity have the same frequency. Scatology is a type of taboo word that rarely appears (shit) but this type of taboo word has the most frequency. Giving a nickname that sounds mocking is often said jokingly. There are also those who do it as a form of closeness. Finally giving a nickname that is considered funny it becomes a habit.

Nicknames are usually used depending on several factors, for example: used for close friends, as a special nickname related to a person's nature, character, physical, psychological. It can be concluded that the use of these nicknames has the meaning of intimacy, where someone who calls and is called is with the intention of expressing his closeness. Besides being used in the context of intimacy, nicknames can also be a joke that leads to being ridiculed and ridiculed regarding a person's physical, psychological and character.

CONCLUSION

Based on the analysis, the researcher has come to the conclusion. The taboo word is a phenomena that involve in used language in societies. The use of taboo words can also be found in utterances by the character of a movie, such as in The Babysitter II movie. It can be seen, there are nine types of taboo words that used by characters in The Babysitter II movie. They are Obscenity, Profanity, Vulgarity, Epithet, Blasphemy, Cursing, Slang, Insult and Slur, and Scatology.

Based on the conclusion above, the researcher has some suggestions to the next researcher who interested to conduct same topic. First, there are other theories that can apply in conducting taboo word topic aside from Jay (1995) Second, there are other source that can be analyzed such as song lyrics and novel.

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