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Many students did not maximize the strategies that could be carried out to support their learning. Even though every student certainly used learning strategy. The aim of this study was to describe the comparison of learning strategies employed by the students, the most, least language learning strategies used by the students in every major at English Department of IAIN Kediri.

This study used a quantitative descriptive design with the comparative study method by comparing facts in the form of similarities and differences in the language learning strategies used by students from different semester. The sample for this study was the 60 students from 4<sup>th</sup> semester classes A, B, and D and the 60 students from 6<sup>th</sup> semester classes B, D, and E of the English Department IAIN Kediri. To collect and analyze the data, the researcher used the strategy inventory language learning (SILL) questionnaire, Version 7.0, 1989, by Rebecca L. Oxford, which contains 50 statements as the measurement of the study.

From the analysis of the data, the researcher found that the most common strategy used by 4th and 6th semester was similar: the metacognitive strategy. The least common strategy used by 4<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> semester is similar too; that was the compensation strategy. Based on the result showed that the 4<sup>th</sup> semester students are highly users of all learning strategies (M= 3.53), but 6<sup>th</sup> semester students are moderate users of all learning strategies (M= 3.48). The most frequently used strategies by both semester' students are similar, which are metacognitive strategies. The two least frequently used strategies by both semester students are similar: the 4<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> semester students used memory and compensation strategies. From the result of the research, it can be concluded that the H0 is accepted and H1 is rejected because "There are no the comparisons language learning strategies used between 4th and 6th semester English Department students of IAIN Kediri". The most frequently used strategies by both semester' tourism students are similar, which are metacognitive strategies. Whereas the least frequently used strategies by both semesters are different, the 4th semester students use compensation strategies, and the 6th semester students use memory strategies. The most frequently used strategies by both semester translation students are similar, which are metacognitive strategies. Whereas the least frequently used strategy by both semester students is similar, the 4th and 6th semester students use compensation strategies. The most frequently used strategies by both semester' literature students are similar, which are metacognitive strategies. Whereas the least frequently used strategies by both semesters are different, the 4th semester students use memory strategies, and the 6th semester uses social strategies. From the result of the research, it can be concluded that the H0 is rejected and H1 is accepted because "There are the comparisons of language learning strategies used by tourism, translation, and literature students at the 4th and 6th semester English Department student of IAIN Kediri.".

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