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The curriculum is a set of plans and regulations relating to subject matter, content, objectives and methods used as guidelines for organizing learning activities to achieve educational goals. The purpose of this study is to determine the implementation of the *Merdeka* curriculum and the challenges in implementing the *Merdeka* curriculum in the English class of SMA Negeri 1 Ngadiluwih.

Researcher chose this school because SMA Negeri 1 Ngadiluwih is one of the few schools that use the *Merdeka* curriculum in English classes. This study used a descriptive qualitative research design because the researcher aims to describe the implementation of *Merdeka* curriculum by teacher and the challenges faced by teacher. The instruments used are interviews, observation, and documentation.

The result showed that the implementation of the *Merdeka* Curriculum at SMA Negeri 1 Ngadiluwih was carried out by preparing lesson plans and determining methods in advance such as teaching modules, teaching materials, and others. Then, during class learning is quite good, before learning begins, pray, then check the attendance of students, then do ice breaking, followed by asking questions about the material before the teacher explains. after that, the material is delivered well, then the teacher gives assignments to be included in the assessment of the material presented. The lesson was completed, before closing, the teacher asked questions to make sure the students understood. after that, the lesson was closed with a greeting. The challenges faced, namely difficulties in adjusting the curriculum, limited learning resources, strategies for preparing teaching modules, adapting modules in developing fields, lack of interest or focus learning, different backgrounds that require different approaches and then, limited digital media.