

## **CHAPTER I**

### **INTRODUCTION**

This chapter is presented the background of the research, the problems of the research, the objectives of the research, the significance of the research, the scope and limitation of the research, and the definition of the key terms.

#### **A. Background of the Research**

Language is the system of communication through speech and writing that is used by people of a particular country or area. Language is the main element used by human around the world. By using language human can express their feeling through communication. As a result, human cannot leave language because through language they can communicate and share information each other. Language takes an important role in daily life, especially in social environment. Using language through daily life can be expressed when two people stand and speak as necessities as they need (Dewi, Hidayat, & Alek, 2020).

In social environment, language takes an important rule that use in communicating and expressing some feelings, including in literature such as novel, poetry, poem, also in music. In accordance with Oxford dictionary, music is sounds that arranged to make the listeners feel pleasant and exciting. Music is an expression to show the real feeling of the natural signal to the listeners. Just like language, music also can express communicating an emotion to listener from the creator. From the previous explanation, the researcher focus on the song lyrics as a study. Song lyrics is a direct

expression that share by a song writer to the listener. Trough song lyrics, some implicit meaning usually shows in it. Lyrics has an important rule which makes a creation be a masterpiece.

In the music industry, there are singers which are including soloist or group such as in a band. One of example singer that in band is One Direction or usually called as 1D. One Direction is a boyband suggested by Nicole Scherzinger, one of a judges of a competition in that time, from X-Factor UK in 2010. During X-Factor, One Direction always amuse all the judges and people until they reached 3<sup>rd</sup> place of the competition. One Direction consists of five boys, they are Louis Tomlinson, Liam Payne, Zayn Malik, Niall Horan, and Harry Styles. After got 3<sup>rd</sup> place from X-Factor, One Direction releases album called Up All Night (2010), followed by Take Me Home (2012), Midnight Memories (2013), Four (2014), and the last album is Made in the A.M (2015).

In this research, the researcher focus on one of music album by One Direction entitled “Four” (2014). One direction has a characteristic itself while delivering a song. As long as the research is held, many unique song lyrics can be found trough the song. They don’t explain the feeling instantly into song lyrics, those they used figurative language. Figurative language or known as figure of speech is language style that cannot be literally translated (Perrine, 1978). Using figurative language is very common in literature artwork, especially in a song lyrics (Fitria, 2018). Basically, the main character of this music album is about the journey of feeling love in the

young age, the message of leaving unhealthy relationship, and the message of always down to earth which has related with the recent situation.

As long the writer gives concern to all One Direction's music album, "Four" is the most interesting music album contains a unique love story of teenagers and being humble to everyone through the song lyrics. Therefore, the researcher decided to choose "Four" music album as an object to analyze the figurative language through the songs. There 12 main songs list on "Four" music album, they are 1) Steal My Girl, 2) Ready to Run, 3) Where Do Broken Hearts Go?, 4) 18, 5) Girl Almighty, 6) Fool's Gold, 7) Night Changes, 8) No Control, 9) Fireproof, 10) Spaces, 11) Stockholm Syndrome, and 12) Clouds.

From discussion above, doing research through "Four" music album by One Direction are challenging and interesting to be studied because it has relation with the current situation for everyone, either young age or mature. Besides, it is related to the scope of education which is more comprehensive and continues to grow. By conducting this research, it can be used for students who concerns in studying of English, especially in literature framework, that learning through analyzing figurative language may take an important things to be studied.

## **B. Problem of the Research**

Due to background of the study above, the problems of the research concerns as the following question "What kinds of figurative language are used on song lyrics through "Four" music album by One Direction?"

### **C. Objective of the Research**

According to the problems of the research above, the objective of the research to find out and explain the kinds of figurative language are used on song lyrics through “Four” music album by One Direction.

### **D. Significance of the Research**

The writer has two significances of the research, they are theoretical and practical significance.

#### **1. The theoretically**

This research is to contribute for anyone who has interest in the literature especially in studying about linguistics, the branches of linguistics, and kinds of figurative language. In this research the object of the research is song lyrics of “Four” music album by One Direction.

#### **2. The practically**

The research will give some understanding about figurative language through the song lyrics like:

- a. It will be a contribution for literature analysis through One Direction’s song lyrics especially on “Four” music album.
- b. It will make people who has addicted in One Direction understand the kinds of figurative language of the song lyrics especially on “Four” music album.
- c. It will give new knowledge for the listeners about analyzing of figurative language in One Direction’s song lyrics especially on “Four” music album.

### **E. Scope and Limitation of the Research**

In this research, many things can be analyzed by the researcher. The scope of this research is to find out kinds of figurative language through song lyrics of “Four” music album by One Direction. In this music album there are 12 main songs that the researcher analyzed through the song lyrics.

The songs are including as 1) Steal My Girl, 2) Ready to Run, 3) Where Do Broken Hearts Go?, 4) 18, 5) Girl Almighty, 6) Fool’s Gold, 7) Night Changes, 8) No Control, 9) Fireproof, 10) Spaces, 11) Stockholm Syndrome, and 12) Clouds. In this research, the researcher analyzes the kinds of figurative language through song lyrics based on Perrine’s theory.

### **F. Definition of the Key Terms**

Definition of the key terms is very important in this thesis. It aims to avoid misunderstanding terms and misinterpretation within exist in the study. The terms are necessary be defined as follows:

#### **1. Figurative Language**

Figurative language is one of part in Linguistics which is analyzing an implicit meaning. There are 12 kinds of figurative language based on Perrine’s theory such as simile, metaphor, personification, apostrophe, synecdoche, metonymy, symbol, allegory, paradox, overstatement (hyperbole), understatement, and irony.

#### **2. Song**

Song is a short poem or set of a word including in music and can be sung. A song is a musical composition which is envisioned to be convey

by a singer. A song usually delivered by a solo singer, a duet, or trio. A song also can be followed by naturally instrumental such as in a quire.

### 3. One Direction

One Direction is a boyband comes from Irish-England. One Direction consists of five boys, they are Louis Tomlinson, Liam Payne, Zayn Malik, Niall Horan, and Harry Styles. Their first album is Up All Night, then the following albums are “Take Me Home”, “Midnight Memories”, “Four”, and “Made in the A.M.”.