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Writing is one of the important skills that is part of the language learning process. Writing is a difficult language skill to learn, especially for students in countries that do not use English as their daily language. In addition, writing skills also require a lot of practice to be able to produce good writing that can be received and understood by the readers. Therefore, the purpose of this research is to know and describe writing strategy that used by students in writing descriptive text. By knowing writing strategies used by students in writing descriptive text, it can provide additional information for teachers in determining appropriate strategies to teaching writing. The descriptive qualitative design was used in this research with the subject focus in seventh grade students in excellent and regular class. The research was conducted at seventh grade students at MTsN 2 Kota Kediri in academic year 2021/2022. The data collection techniques used qualitative method.

The final result is obtained to answer the research problem regarding of student writing strategy in writing descriptive text on seventh grade students at MTsN 2 Kota Kediri. There are several strategies that students use in writing descriptive during the writing process including prewriting, while writing, revising and editing. The students in both of excellent and regular classes went through the writing process. In excellent class, it was found that students had various combinations of strategies namely, time planning, mental planning, brainstorming technique, free writing, mind mapping, and outlining, write a draft use sentence simplification, using dictionary and using synonym. The students asked feedback from peers and the teacher.

Meanwhile in regular class was found that all students used the brainstorming technique and free writing strategy namely free writing strategy, the students wrote their rough drafts on paper quickly, some of them use the dictionary and synonyms. In revising and editing activities, most of students revise and edit their own text. The students asked for feedback from peers and there are students that do not doing editing.

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