CHAPTER I
INTRODUCTION

This chapter presents the introduction. It contains some subjects which explain about background of the study, research problem, objective of the study scope and limitation, significances of the study, and definition of the key terms.

A. Background of Study

Everyone knows that the main function of music is to enjoy its beauty and make it an entertainment. The function of this music is also dependent on customs or certain functions will make the function of music more specific, namely as an accompaniment, conveying messages, a medium of expression and as an economic means. Often times people just hear without seeing or the meaning in the lyrics, which is actually without realizing that musicians really want to convey a message to music lovers through their works. Music can also be a medium of communication, things that need to be considered are in terms of language because this is one way to communicate and convey expressions. Other music functions can be used in English learning media, such as contextual and lexical meaning.

The listeners understanding of each song they hear must be different, but what needs to be paid more attention is that music lovers don't get confused in interpreting a song. The existence of several types of meaning, for example contextual and lexical meaning, helps music enthusiasts to minimize errors in understanding or interpreting a song. Besides that, according to Chaer (2007) kind of meaning include a lexical, grammatical and contextual meaning, referential and non-referential meaning, denotative and connotative meaning, conceptual and associative meaning, and lexeme.

Lexical meaning refers to the real meaning, meaning that proper with our sense of observation, or granted meaning. It has been known that a language has an amount of lexical system by which the semantic with structure could be based its meaning on paradigmatic and systematical. The researcher said that lexical meaning could be defined as a meaning which has a characteristic of lexicon, lexeme, and word. It also has a meaning as it

references, meaning which is the result of our observation through our sense, or the reality of our lives. Not all lexemes were word-lexeme or lexeme whose forms are words forms. Many of them would be phrasal lexeme whose forms were phrases.

Lexical meaning is also the smallest meaning unit in the meaning system of language that could be distinguished from other similar units. A lexeme is an abstract unit. It can be occurring in many different forms of actual spoken or wrote sentences, and regarded as the same lexeme even when infected. Therefore, the lexical meaning is the meaning in the dictionary or that of the lexeme meaning even without any contexts.

Contextual meaning is associated in several contexts as the place, time and condition when the language is put into use. Contextual meaning or situational meaning appear as a result of the relationship between speech and context Pateda (2010). The contextual meaning is included in the lexical meaning, because the lexical meaning concerned with the relationship between words and meanings. The meaning of words or sentences is not only found in the daily conversation but also in the literary works like poems, song lyrics, novels, short stories, and movies. However, this research interest is in the analysis of song lyrics.

Song is also a literary work that is created to describe a person's mood or situation that is going around the people. Song lyrics are also a form of communication media that is related to social life. It means that song lyrics are media used by speaker to be shared to the listener. The language used in the literary work should be distinguished from the language that is usually used in daily conversation. So, the literary language is a language that is full of uniqueness. Sometimes, the meaning of words in the literary work is very different with the meaning in dictionary to understand.

Furthermore, song lyrics have messages in word forms and sentences that can be used to create a certain situation and imaginative imagery to the audience. The messages in the song lyrics can have varieties of both oral and written forms. Song lyrics have form of words or

sentences that can be used to create certain atmosphere and imagination to the audience. They also can create diverse meaning. The meaning in the song lyrics depend on the context or songwriter's situation.

However, the reason why the researcher is interested in analyzing song lyrics is because there are so many words in the song lyrics that contains contextual meaning. In addition, when people try to interpret the meaning of word especially in song lyrics, they must consider about the context of sentence.

The researcher chooses songs in "*Constellation*" album of Stars and Rabbit's song as the object of study because seeing that the folk song genre is now more favored by the millennial generation and shows popular music with interesting songs. Besides that, researchers have several reasons to analyze this study. Firstly, this song has a very strong literary value that makes this song interesting to analyze. Secondly the lyrics of the songs on this album provide imaginative words that make listeners more reason to understand this album.

This research analyze the contextual and lexical meaning in song lyrics on *Constellation* album's Stars and Rabbit. There are any previous studies in investigating the meaning of song lyrics. The first is "Study Lexical Meaning on Bob Marley Song" by Dwiki Rifardi (2017), theses English Letters Department Faculty of Humanities Maulana Malik Ibrahim State Islamic University of Malang. This study conducts with the Parera's theory. This study focuses one kind of meaning namely lexical meaning. The second is "An Analysis Contextual meaning in Selected Sami Yusuf's Song Lyrics on Wherever You Are Album" by Suphandee Yalaha (2018), theses English Depantment Faculty of Adab And Cultural Sciences State Islamic University Sunan Kalijaga Yogyakarta. This study focuses on analysis contextual meaning and the meaning Sami Yusuf's song lyrics. The third is "A Semantic Analysis of Lexical Relations in Muse Selected Song Lyrics" by Nor Muhammad Husein (2019), theses English Education Department Teacher Training And Education Faculty State Institute

Islamic Studies Salatiga. This study focuses on finding the types of lexical relations used in Muse song lyrics.

B. Research Problem

Based on the research background, the researcher will focus on the problems as follow :

1. What are the contextual meaning in Stars and Rabbit's *Constellation* ?
2. What are the lexical meaning in Stars and Rabbit's *Constellation* ?

C. Objective of The Study

From the research question of this study, the writer has objects of study as follow :

1. To know the contextual meaning in Stars and Rabbit's *Constellation*.
2. To know the lexical meaning in Stars and Rabbit's *Constellation*

D. Scope and Limitation of The Study

The scope of this study, the researcher will be focused on the describe the contextual and lexical meaning in Stars and Rabbit's songs *Constellation* album. The writer also analyzed the contradictive of contextual and lexical meaning in song of album *Constellation*. The limitation of this research is that the writer only analyzed the contextual and lexical meaning in Stars and Rabbit's songs in the *Constellation* album.

E. Significance of the Study

When this research complete the writer expect this study to be useful and give new information to the semantic study especially about the contextual and lexical meaning in the song of Stars and Rabbit Album *Constellation.* This analysis may be valuable for those who want to know deeper than their knowledges in understanding of contextual and lexical meaning. This study provides contribution to the reader that they can reach deep comprehension on the songs. Not only enjoying the music but also

understanding the lyric that is being the way the reader can catch the message of the song-writer.

F. The Definision of Key Terms

To avoid missunderstanding, the writer wants to gives some key term that may help the readers understand better the content, they are :

1. Contextual Meaning

   Contextual meaning is the meaning of a lexeme or word inside a context. Contextual definition is also a definition in which the term is used by embedding it in a larger expression containing its explanation

2. Lexical Meaning

   Lexical meaning is the smallest meaning unit in the meaning system of language that could be distinguished from other similar units. A lexeme is an abstract unit. It can occur in many different forms of actual spoken or written sentences. It is regerded as the same lexeme even when infected.

3. *Constellation*

   Which one of the album Stars and Rabbit that has been lauch in 2015. 11 songs include to this album.

4. Stars and Rabbit

   Stars and Rabbit, an Indonesian folk music duo, formed in early 2011 in Yogyakarta. The group consisted of singer-songwriter Elda Suryani (born May 29, 1983) and musician Adi Widodo (born July 31, 1983). Their music is a melding of pop and folk influences with raw simplicity of composition, arrangement, and performance.