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This study aims to analyze gender language features used by Donald Trump and Hillary Clinton's presidential debate in 2016. Based on the rationale of the research, this study addresses research questions: what are the language features used by man in the final Trump-Clinton debate? What are the language features used by a woman in the final Trump-Clinton debate? In this research, the writer uses Lakoff's theory (1975) and Holmes's theory (1996) to answer the research questions.

In this study, the researcher used qualitative research to approach research. The writer chose gender language features in the final Trump-Clinton debate script as a source of data in this study because it is relevant to the topic of study. The writer chooses the data of this research is the utterance/dialogue of Donald Trump and Hillary Clinton. The research used documentation in collecting data because the subject of this study are in the form of the transcript Donald Trump and Hillary Clinton to take data. In conclusion, Donald Trump used nine language features more than Hillary Clinton which she used only seven language features. The highest language features used by Trump is emphatic stress 231 features with 29%, the lowest language features used by Trump is tag question 5 features with 1% and rising intonation 7 features with 1%. The highest language features used by Hillary is lexical hedges 432 features with 46%, the lowest language features used by Hillary is rising intonation 2 features with 0% and super polite form 4 features with 1%.

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Penelitian ini bertujuan untuk menganalisis fitur-fitur bahasa gender yang digunakan oleh Donald Trump dan debat presiden Hillary Clinton pada tahun 2016. Berdasarkan pada dasar pemikiran penelitian ini, penelitian ini membahas pertanyaan-pertanyaan penelitian: apa fitur-fitur bahasa yang digunakan oleh manusia dalam debat akhir Trump-Clinton? Apa fitur bahasa yang digunakan oleh seorang wanita dalam debat akhir Trump-Clinton? Dalam penelitian ini, penulis menggunakan teori Lakoff (1975) dan teori Holmes (1996) untuk menjawab pertanyaan penelitian. Dalam penelitian ini, peneliti menggunakan penelitian kualitatif untuk mendekati penelitian. Penulis memilih fitur bahasa gender dalam naskah debat Trump-Clinton sebagai sumber data dalam penelitian ini karena relevan dengan topik penelitian. Penulis memilih data penelitian ini yaitu ucapan / dialog Donald Trump dan Hillary Clinton. Penelitian ini menggunakan dokumentasi dalam mengumpulkan data karena subjek penelitian ini adalah dalam bentuk transkrip Donald Trump dan Hillary Clinton untuk mengambil data. Kesimpulannya Trump memiliki Sembilan fitur bahasa dari pada Hillary Clinton yang hanya memiliki tujuh fitur bahasa yang digunakan. Posisi tertinggi fitur bahasa yang digunakan oleh Trump adalah empatic stress 231 fitur dengan 29%, posisi terendah fitur bahasa yang digunakan Trump adalah tag question 5 fitur dengan 1% dan rising intonation 7 fitur dengan 1%. Posisi tertinggi fitur bahasa yang digunakan oleh Hillary adalah 432 fitur dengan 46%, posisi

terendah fitur bahasa yang digunakan Hillary adalah rising intonation 2 fitur dengan 0% dan super polite form 4 fitur dengan 1%.

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DEDICATION/MOTTO

There is only one thing that makes a dream impossible to achieve: the fear of failure.
-Paulo Coelho, the Alchemist-

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