

CHAPTER I

INTRODUCTION

This chapter encompasses background of the research, question and scope of the research, objective and significance of research, operational definition, and systematization of the research.

A. Background of Research

Complex transitive verbs require two complements, namely the direct object and the object predicative. The direct object must be in the form of a noun phrase (NP), a noun phrase is a word that is formed as a result of combining a verb with a pronoun, or a number. While direct object appears to be in a form of Noun Phrase only, object predicative in complex transitive verbs is varied. There are three possibilities of object predicative that can be used in complex transitive verbs, the first is AP, NP and PP. An adjective phrase (AP) is a group of words whose essence is an adjective and is followed by a modifier and determiner. Prepositional phrase (PP) is a combination of two or more words that provides information about a place, time, or condition. Thus, identifying the object predicative used in sentences becomes an intriguing analysis to conduct in this research.

Another reason why the writer is interested in studying complex transitive verbs is because the two complements in complex transitive verbs (direct object and object predicate) have a special relationship that other types of verbs do not have, that is why finally the writer is interested for researching complex transitive

verbs. This reasoning is supported by a statement from Holisky (1997; as cited in Nordquist, 2018) as follows:

A complex transitive verb has two complements, an argument NP [noun phrase] direct object and either a predicate NP or an AP [adjective phrase].

(5a) We *considered* Sam [direct object] our best friend [predicate noun phrase]. (5b) They *elected* Mrs. Jones [direct object] president of the PTA

[predicate noun phrase]. There is a special relationship between the two complements of a complex transitive verb. The predicate NP or AP says

something about or describes the direct object, just as the predicate NP that is a complement of a linking verb describes the subject. The predicate NP or AP

is either *currently* true of the direct object or *comes to be* true of the direct object as a result of the action of the verb. Part of the meaning conveyed by

(5a), for example, is that Sam *is* our best friend. Part of the meaning conveyed by (5b), for example, is that Mrs. Jones *comes to be* president as a result of

the action named by the verb. Thus, complex transitive verbs, like linking verbs, are either current or resulting verbs.

All of these explanations fall into the syntax category. Syntax means a set of grammar rules for words or clauses in forming sentences. Usually, in written and spoken sentences, we see syntax elements in words or clauses that we call subject, verb, and object. Syntax is one of the many clumps of knowledge that is incorporated in a linguistics.

Linguistics refers to the scientific study of language. Linguistics has several branches of science, namely Phonetics, Phonology, Morphology, Syntax, Semantics, and Pragmatics. In analyzing a linguistics, we can get it from various sources, it can be from translating films, song lyrics, even from newspapers or journals.

As the source of the data, the writer gained the sentences from online newspaper (or electronic news or electronic news publication) as the online version of a newspaper, either as a stand-alone publication or as the online version of a printed periodical newspaper. The Wall Street Journal is the online newspaper used in this research. The reason the writer chose The Wall Street Journal is because it is an online newspaper whose articles are written and published by native speakers (Native of English). Therefore, it is valid to be used as an object of research or used as a data source. Moreover, the writer chose The Wall Street Journal for this research is because The Wall Street Journal have 3.6 million subscribers and The Wall Street Journal is one of the most trusted online newspapers along with USA Today, The Guardian and The New York Times.

Based on the explanation above, the writer is interested in arranging research entitled *Two Complements of Complex Transitive Verb in The Wall Street Journal Online Newspaper* whose results are expected to make a positive contribution to readers of future researchers and to linguistics itself.

B. Questions and Scopes of the Research

1. Questions of the Research

In this research, there are several questions about the problem from the data resources or how to analyze the two complements of transitive verb.

Therefore, the problem can be mentioned in detail as the following questions:

- a. What are the types of object-predicative of complex transitive verb used in The Wall Street Journal Online Newspaper?
- b. How does the tree diagram show two complements in complex transitive verb in The Wall Street Journal Online Newspaper?

2. Scopes of The Research

Scope of this research discussed one of the six sub-categories of lexical verbs. The six sub-categories of lexical verbs are Transitive, Intransitive, Ditransitive, Intensive, Complex Transitive, and Prepositional. The writer used complex transitive to examine this research. The object of the research will focus only to The Wall Street Journal Online Newspaper. The writer used the theory of Noel Burton-Robert to analyze the data.

C. Objective and Significance of the Research

1. Objective of the Research

According to the research problem above, this research aims to determine the following matters:

1. To identify the types object-predicative of complex transitive verb used in The Wall Street Journal Online Newspaper.
2. To know how the tree diagram, show two complements in complex transitive verb in The Wall Street Journal Online Newspaper.

2. Significances of the Research

This writing hopefully not only can be useful for the writer but also gives contribution in developing syntax studies especially about Two complements of complex transitive verb. This research hopefully could give a worth significances as follows:

1. Theoretically

Theoretically, this research helps in learning about two complements of complex transitive verb especially those who are interested in syntax may enrich and improve their sentence used in paragraph.

2. Practically

a. For Next Researcher

The results are expected can describe the types and purposes of using two complement of complex transitive verb in The Wall Street

Journal online newspaper. Moreover, it can be used as a reference for further research.

b. For Students

The writer wishes this research can be useful to increase knowledge about the types and purposes of using two complements of complex transitive verb in The Wall Street Journal online newspaper.

D. Operational Definitions

After reading several books as primary data sources and then understanding them, the writer can conclude some definitions as to the actual existence of the title as follows:

1. Complex Transitive verb

A complex transitive verb is defined as a verb that has two complements namely direct object and an object-predicative.

2. Transitive Verb

Transitive verb is a verb that must be followed by an object.

3. Online Newspaper

Online newspaper (or electronic news or electronic news publication) is the online version of a newspaper, either as a stand-alone publication or as the online version of a printed periodical.

E. Systematization of the Research

To clarify the content of the research, the writer compiled this paper. This research paper is divided into V chapters.

Chapter I Introduction contains the background of the research. Questions and scopes of the research. Objectives and significance of the research, as well as research, operational definition, and systematization of the research.

Chapter II is a theoretical description explains syntax, the theoretical basis that supports this research. The Wall Street Journal Online Newspaper are object for this research. Then, research of the relevance describes previous research that is relevant to the title of a research paper that is prepared to strengthen this research. The writer gets two research who analyze the study of syntax, especially complex transitive verbs.

Chapter III is a research methodology consists of research methods, which explains the time and place of research, as well as the methods used in this research is qualitative. The research procedure, starting from preparation, implementation, and finishing, technique of the data collection, technique of data analysis, explain, the data source, both primary data and secondary data.

Chapter IV is analysis data consists data description, namely describing the description, data analysis, and interpretation of research findings

Chapter V is the conclusions and suggestions consisting of conclusions and suggestions from the results of the study. Conclusions are answers to research questions. Then, suggestions in the form of suggestions for further research.