



## GERUNDS AND PARTICIPLES IN THE SENTENCE OF NATIONAL NEWS IN THE JAKARTA POST ONLINE

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### Abstract

This study is aimed to find out the use of verbal especially gerunds and participles in the sentence found in the National News of Jakarta Post Online which published on February 27 until March 05, 2019. The objective of the study are 1) to find out how many gerunds used in the national news of Jakarta Post Online, 2) to find out how many participles used in national news of Jakarta Post Online, 3) to find out the verbal dominantly used in the National News of Jakarta Post, 4) the dominant position of gerund used in ational News of Jakarta Post Online, 5) to find out the dominant type of verbal used in National News of Jakarta Post. The National news are analyzed in term gerund and participle, 4 position of gerund (as subject, object, subject complement, and object of preposition), two types of participles ( present participles and past participles). The finding shows that 1) there are 34 or 41.46% gerunds and 48 or 58.54% participles. The dominant type of verbal used in the sentence is participles, it is 48 or 58.54%. 2) the position of gerund used in the sentence is 4 or 11.76% as subject, 6 or 17.65 as the object, 24 or 70.59% as object of preposition, and no one as subject complement. The dominant position of gerund used in the sentence is gerund as the object of preposition (24 or 70.59%). 3) The types of participles used in the sentence are 27 or 56.25% for present participle, 21 or 43.75% for past participle. The most dominant type of participles is present participle (27 or 56.25%)

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## **A. Introduction**

English grammar is the set of principles or rules dealing with the word structures (morphology) and sentence structures (syntax) of the English language. Grammar as one of linguistic competence is important to be learnt as Riemsdijk and William ( 1987 : 1 ) say “the study of grammar is a part of study of language in which it’s part concerned with the rules of sentences requires not only proficiency in vocabulary, pronunciation, spelling and arrangement of words but also correct grammar.

Grammar is bound up with the meaning and effect of what we write and say; it gives us the words to talk about the choices we make when we communicate. Native speakers can get grammar without learning grammar, but to borrow an analogy from Professor Crystal (Professor of Linguistics at the University of Wales, Bangor). It’s like driving without knowing the names for the parts of your car. By mastering grammar, someone can write, read, and speak well unfortunately many students do not like to study grammar.

Gerund and participle are verbal that do not use as verb in the sentence. The writer found that most students face difficulty in distinguishing gerund and participles because both gerund and participles were derived from verb.

In this study, the writers want to analyze gerund and participle used in the sentences of National News in the Jakarta Post.

## **B. Method**

Descriptive qualitative method was applied in this research. Sukardi (2003: 158) said research was a research that describe and interpret the object by objective and qualitative research and it is difficult to prove as mathematics way, it determine the concept which the source of data gotten from sample. It means descriptive qualitative research is a research to know the status and what happened in the research. It functions to get the finding of the problem clearly. In this study, the writers analyzed gerund, and participles found in the sentence of national news in Jakarta Post Online which were published on February 27, 2019, February 29, 2019, March 2, 2019, March 3, 2019, March 4, 2019, and March



5, 2019.. The source of data of this study was gerund and participles taken from the National News of Jakarta Post Online which were published on February 27 until March 5. The data were collected through documentation method and analyzed by using descriptive qualitative method. The writers identified all the gerunds and participles in the sentence.

In analyzing the data, the researcher conducted some ways; reading every sentence in the chapter, identifying the gerund and participles in each sentence, calculating the total number of gerunds and participles in each national news, calculating all gerunds and participles in all news ( from February 27 till March 05), analyzed the position of gerund used in the news, analyzed the type of participles in each sentence, finding the percentage of gerund/participles, finding the position of gerund dominantly occurred, in the news, finding the dominant type participles used in all news by using the following formula,

$$N = \frac{x}{y} \times 100\%$$

In which

N = the percentage of gerund /participle/ position of gerund/type of participle

x = the total number of gerunds/ participlese/ position of gerund/type of participle

y = the total number of gerunds/ participles/position of gerund/type of participle

### **C. Research Finding**

Before providing the findings, it is valuable to present first the physical description of the gerunds and participles.in the following table :



**Table 1: Gerund and Participle in the Sentence of National News ins the Jakarta Post Online**

DATE	TITILE	GERUNDS	PARTICIPLE
Febr 27, 2019	Prosecutors seek 18 months' imprisonment for student who allegedly insulted 'tauhid' flag	4	9
Febr 28, 2019	Ratna Sarumpaet attempted 'to seek public attention': Prosecutor	7	7
March 2,2019	Golkar politician Eni Saragih gets six years, has political rights suspended	1	6
March 3, 2019	WhatsApp messages trap Surabayan housewife in defamation case	3	6
March 4, 2019	Court rejects challenge to Batang Toru dam	12	19
March 5, 2019	Riau Islands officials instructed to use fingerprint sign-in system before entering mosques	7	1
<b>Total Number</b>		<b>34</b>	<b>48</b>

The table above shows that the total number of gerunds in the sentence of National News in the Jakarta Post is 34 or 41.46% while the total number of Participle is 48 or 58.54%. Based on the percentage of gerunds and Participle, it can be said that Participle is dominantly used in the sentence of National News in Jakarta's Post online especially for the news published from Febr 27, 2019 until March 5, 2019.



**Table 2: The Position of Gerund in the Sentence of National News in Jakarta Post**

No	Title of News	Position of gerund			
		S	O	SC	PO
1	Prosecutors seek 18 months' imprisonment for student who allegedly insulted 'tauhid' flag		1		3
2	Ratna Sarumpaet attempted 'to seek public attention': Prosecutor		1		6
3	Golkar politician Eni Saragih gets six years, has political rights suspended				1
4	WhatsApp messages trap Surabayan housewife in defamation case				3
5	Court rejects challenge to Batang Toru dam		3		9
6	Riau Islands officials instructed to use fingerprint sign-in system before entering mosques	4	1		2
<b>Total</b>		<b>4</b>	<b>6</b>		<b>24</b>

From the table above it can be seen that:

There are 4 or 11.76% gerund positioned as subject

There are 6 or 17.65% gerunds positioned as Object

There is no one gerund positioned as Subject Complement

There are 24 or 70.59% gerunds positioned as Object of preposition. It means the gerunds positioned as object of preposition is dominantly used in the sentence.

**Table 3: Type of Participle in the Sentence of the National News in Jakarta Post Online**

No	TITLE	PARTICIPLE	
		Present Participle	Past Participle
1	Prosecutors seek 18 months' imprisonment for student who	7	2



	allegedly insulted 'tauhid' flag		
2	Ratna Sarumpaet attempted 'to seek public attention': Prosecutor	4	3
3	Golkar politician Eni Saragih gets six years, has political rights suspended	3	3
4	WhatsApp messages trap Surabayan housewife in defamation case	3	3
5	Court rejects challenge to Batang Toru dam	9	10
6	Riau Islands officials instructed to use fingerprint sign-in system before entering mosques	1	0
	<b>Total</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>21</b>

From the table above it can be seen that the total number of participle is 48. 27 or 56.25% as present participles and 21 or 45.75% as past participle. It means that participle is dominantly used in the sentence of National News in the Jakarta Post

#### **D. Discussion**

From the collected data, it is found that there are 34 or 41.46% gerunds and 48 or 58.54% participles found in the sentence. It means the participle is dominantly used in the sentence of National News of the Jakarta Post Online

From the use of gerund, it is found that the types of gerund used in the National News of Jakarta Post Online is 4 or 11.76% as subject, 6 or 17.65% as object, and 24 or 70.59% as Object preposition. It is shown that the dominant type of gerund used in the National News of Jakarta Post is gerund as the object of preposition.

From the use of participles, it is found that the types of participle used in the sentences are 27 or 56.25% for present participles and 21 or 43.75% for past participles. It is shown that the dominant type of participle used in the National News of Jakarta Post Online is present participle.



## E. Conclusion

Finally the conclusion of the research has to be made from the data which has been required. It is found that :

1. There are 34 or 41.46% gerund used in the National News of Jakarta Post Online
2. There are 48 or 58.54% participle used in the National News of Jakarta post Online.
3. From the total number of gerunds and participles used in the sentence of Jakarta Post Online, It shows that participle is dominantly used in the sentences.
4. The position of gerund in the sentence is 4 or 11.76% gerund as the subject, 6 or 17.65% as the object and 24 or 70.59% as the object of preposition. It shows that the position of gerund dominantly used in the sentence is gerund as the object of preposition
5. There are 27 or 56.25% present participles and 21 or 43.75% past participles used in the sentence. it means the present participle is dominantly used in the sentence of National News of Jakarta Post Online.

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