Chapter One

Introduction

In this chapter, the researcher discusses the background of the study, identification and limitation of the problem, research questions, purpose of the study, and advantages of this study.

Background of the Study

Most recently, many cases of bullying that happen in educational field as reported from media. Bullying happens when someone hurts or scares another person on purpose and the person being bullied has a hard time defending themselves (Juwita, 2007). Bullying case that often encounter is the presence of intimidation by older students to the younger class, conducted physical and nonphysical (Latipun, 2005). Ridicule and scorn which is often done by students to their friends may seem trivial and looks reasonable, however trivial things like that can destroy a person's feelings and can lead to depression if undertaken at any time. Bullying can happen anytime and anywhere. Bullying can occur at all levels of schools from kindergarten to university (Djuwita, 2007).

Many examples of such cases occurred at elementary school for example: students in Garut named Heryanto, he tried to commit suicide because he felt embarrassed billed pay fees by teachers. The case of Haryanto is a verbal bullying (Verbal contact directly) because he felt ashamed of their friends and teachers who cause he wanted to commit suicide because he feel frustrated and depressed. At the secondary school the most frequent bullying is in the form of fighting between students in Bandung, with the motorcycle gang that has claimed either died or who suffered minor injuries to serious to require hospitalization. Mohammed Fadhil, students in the high school, Pondok labu, South Jakarta, he was beaten, burnt with cigarette butts, and broken his hand by his seniors because he refused to enter into Gang Gezper who are in that school. Type of bullying experienced by Mohammed Fadhil is a type of bullying Social Alienation because it is done by groups. At the University level we often see fighting between universities in major cities such as happened in October 2007 brawl between Islam University and the Christian University in Jakarta, as well as universities in South Sulawesi. Type of bullying is happening at the university level is bullying Social Alienation because it is done in groups.

Based on the researcher's experiences, cases of bullying can happen at PBI UMY. Habits are usually done as gossiping, mocking, ridicule, silence someone, manipulating friendships to be cracked is also an act of bullying, because it may hurt someone's feelings. Gossip which is usually done is an indirect bullying, in which a person or group of people talking about the victim in the back of the victim. The problem is the student doing the bullying against their friend, not knowing that the act or an act of bullying their actions, this happens because of a lack of knowledge of students about bullying PBI. Based on this background, the researcher is interested to study about bullying at English Education Department of Universitas Muhammadiyah Yogyakarta and students' perception on bullying. Due to cases of bullying is done by students at PBI UMY who intentionally or unintentionally did bullying behaviour. This research is very essential, the student's can learn more about bullying and did not do bullying againts their friends.

Identification and Limitation of the Problem

A large number of cases of bullying that happen make the researcher want to restrict this research. So that the research done only for students of English Education in Universitas Muhammadiyah Yogyakarta, in particular batch in 2012, 2013, 2014. Bullying can be found anywhere, and can happen to everyone, bullying can also happen in education. The problem is the student doing the bullying did not know that what they did was an act of bullying. The action was done directly or indirectly, consciously and unconsciously. Many students who do the bullying only to looking for momentary pleasure, though the goal is only to look for pleasure but people doing the bullying can hurt someone's feelings and can give good effects for people who are on the bully. The researcher investigated only on the types of bullying that often appears in English education department and students opinion on bullying.

Research Question

The researcher is interested in knowing more about the bullying that often appear in PBI UMY and determining students' perceptions of bullying. Based on the problems found in the PBI UMY, the researcher formulates two research questions. The research questions are:

- 1. What kinds of bullying that commonly happen among students at PBI UMY?
- 2. What are the student's perceptions on bullying practises among students at PBI UMY?

Purpose of the Study

Based on the formulation of the problem described above, the study aims to:

- Investigate kind of bullying that commonly happen among students at PBI UMY
- Reveal student's perceptions on bullying practices among students at PBI UMY

Significances of the Study

This research gave some significance for students, teacher, and the other researches. The first is for the students, the students get new knowledge about bullying, share the knowledge about bullying and the impacts of bullying. In one hand, this research also got advantages to the teacher. The teacher can be more aware with their students, more pay attention with student's psychology. The results of the research will become the references for next researchers.