

PERCENTAGE VALUE OF INTEREST STATE POLYTECHNIC OF BENGKALIS STUDENT ON ENGLISH COURSES

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Abstract

English is one of the important skills for all students, this study aims to analyze the interest of Bengkalis State Polytechnic students towards English. The analytical method used in this research is descriptive quantitative analysis method using the method of filling out questionnaires which are distributed to all students majoring in language. The results of filling out this questionnaire will later show the percentage of Bengkalis State Polytechnic students' interest in English.

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1. PENDAHULUAN

This research was conducted because the English course is one of the compulsory subjects in all departments at the Bengkalis State Polytechnic and considering that English is also one of the basic skills that are important for all students in higher education. By having a good base in English, students at the Bengkalis State Polytechnic will be able to compete in the international arena with students from other universities.

Ubaya Polytechnic of Surabaya said that, "the confirmation of English as the language of instruction in lectures cannot be separated from the demands from the world of work regarding foreign language skills. Towards globalization, the world of work is required to cooperate with the outside world. Because of this, foreign language skills are very necessary."

Therefore, it is important that this research is carried out to find out what the percentage value of student interest at the Bengkalis State Polytechnic towards English courses is to improve English language skills and look for superior seeds from Bengkalis State Polytechnic students to advance to compete with students throughout Indonesia, for example. In the IISMAVO program, one of the assessment benchmarks in order to pass is the TOEIC score of students who must meet the standard.

This research is expected to be able to provide an overview of the things that must be considered in the knowledge or science of English for all students at the Bengkalis State Polytechnic so that they can more easily find or choose those who are talented in English and improve the English learning system which is still lacking. both at the Bengkalis State Polytechnic in the future.

2. TINJAUAN PUSTAKA

- a. Rita Mae Brwon, an American activist and writer, said, "Language is the road map of a culture. It tells you where its people come from and where they are going."
- b. Johan Von Goethe, a German writer, said, "Those who do not know anything about a foreign language are the same as not knowing their own language."

c. Nelson Mandela, an anti-apartheid revolutionary and South African politician who served as president of South Africa in 1994, stated, "if you talk to a man in a language he

understands, that goes to his head. If you talk to him in his own language, that goes to his heart.”

3. METODE PENELITIAN

This research was conducted in a qualitative way which was formulated in the form of descriptive writing and used an emic perspective which prioritizes the opinions of informants or experts over the opinions of the researchers themselves, but that does not mean that the opinions of researchers are not needed at all, only that they prioritize the opinions of informants or experts.

At the Polytechnic itself, English has begun to be applied in all majors. Considering that the Bengkalis State Polytechnic also cooperates with several universities abroad, the resulting students must also be able to be placed in universities abroad. One of the requirements for assessing his ability is to have good English skills.

4. HASIL PENELITIAN DAN PEMBAHASAN

The result of this study indicate that there are several things in English learning at State Polytechnic of Bengkalis that must be improved and paid more attention. There are still many students who think English is a difficult and boring subject. if its not fixed, it will be difficult to find seeds of students who able in English. This study resulted in several factors that caused students to be less interested in English, such as:

- a. English is taught in a very classical method so that students feel bored during learning.
- b. There are still many students who think that English is just an additional subject and not an important thing that they must know.
- c. For students who are not majoring in English, they think English is not an important thing that they must really master.

Learning English is very important, especially in terms of education. In addition, through English we can introduce the diversity of culture and language of this nation to those who want to know about this nation. English is very much needed in the nationan and international area. There are samo advantadges if you master English:

1. Great opportunity to get a job
2. Ready for tourism
3. Continue to a higher level of education

From several things above, it can be concluded that the interest of State Polytechnic of Bengkalis students towards English is still very low. Only a few percent of students are interested and really happy with English. State Polytechnic of Bengkalis must immediately realize and change this so that students' abilities, especially in the field of English, can be better than before.

5. KESIMPULAN DAN SARAN

From some expert opinion and research views on importance to knows English, its therefore safe to say that it is mandatory for all concerned to understand English properly. Why? Because having good English skills they will be able to compete and bring college names in the outside world and be able to give themselves a values as students. This research is expected to be able to change the learning system at State Polytechnic of Bengkalis, especially in learning English.

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