

**A SEMANTIC ANALYSIS OF FIGURATIVE LANGUAGE FOUND IN  
SONG LYRICS BY MARSHALL BRUCE MATHERS III (EMINEM)**

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**ABSTRACT**

This study aimed at identifying and describing the types and the meanings of figurative language which were used in Eminem's song lyrics and determining the dominant type of figurative language used in the songs lyrics. The researcher implemented the theory of the types of figurative language from Perrine and Tarigan, and the meaning theory from Leech. This research used descriptive qualitative as the method. In collecting the data, the researcher applied library research (reading and noting), since the data existed in the form of documentation (song lyrics). After the data were collected, the data were analyzed by using Cresswell's theory. From the results of the analysis, the researcher found that there were 136 data containing figurative language and 12 types of figurative language used in the song lyrics. Simile type of figurative language dominantly appeared in the song lyrics, and it was followed by metaphor and allusion types of figurative language. Hopefully, this research is able to help the students and readers to solve their problems in understanding figurative language, and enriching their insight about figurative language.

**Keywords:** *eminem*, figurative language, type, meaning, dominant

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Penelitian ini bertujuan mengidentifikasi dan menggambarkan jenis dan makna bahasa kiasan yang digunakan dalam lirik lagu Eminem, dan menentukan jenis bahasa kiasan yang dominan digunakan dalam lirik lagu. Peneliti menerapkan teori tentang jenis bahasa kiasan dari Perrine dan Tarigan, dan teori tentang makna dari Leech. Penelitian ini menggunakan metode deskriptif kualitatif. Dalam mengumpulkan data, peneliti menerapkan studi pustaka (membaca dan mencatat), karena data ada dalam bentuk dokumentasi (lirik lagu). Setelah data dikumpulkan, data dianalisis dengan menggunakan teori Cresswell. Dari hasil analisis, peneliti menemukan bahwa ada 136 data yang mengandung bahasa kiasan dan 12 tipe bahasa kiasan yang digunakan dalam lirik lagu. Jenis bahasa kiasan *simile* paling banyak muncul dalam lirik lagu, dan selanjutnya diikuti oleh jenis bahasa kiasan *metaphor* dan *allusion*. Semoga penelitian ini dapat membantu para siswa dan pembaca untuk memecahkan masalah mereka dalam memahami bahasa kiasan, dan memperkaya wawasan mereka tentang bahasa kiasan.

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