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ABSTRACT

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This research was conducted to improve speaking skill by using communicative activities in 2nd semester of English Education Study Program at Christian Artha Wacana University. The purpose of this study was to aims to explore the effectiveness of communicative activities in improving students' speaking abilities in EESP. The researcher used Communicative Languange Teaching method . To collect data, the researcher used pre-test and post-test. In analyzing the data, the researchers used simple statistical analysis of students' pre-test and pos-test scores collaborated with the lecturer. The sample of this study consisted of one class in 2nd semester of EESP at Christian Artha Wacana University , which consisted of 15th students. To collect data, the researcher collaborate with the lecturer used pre-test and post-test with some communicative activities in the classroom. Test scores including: fluency,pronunciation,accuracy,clarity, and performance. The result is 33,3% average in pre-test and 40% average in post-test. At the end , the researcher can conclude that this method improves students' speaking skills in teaching learning process.

Keywords: Improving, Speaking Skills, Communication activities

EFEKTIVITAS KEGIATAN KOMUNIKATIF DALAM MENINGKATKAN KEMAMPUAN BERBICARA PADA PROGRAM STUDI PENDIDIKAN BAHASA INGGRIS

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Penelitian ini bertujuan untuk meningkatkan kemampuan berbicara mahasiswa melalui penggunaan kegiatan komunikatif pada semester 2 Program Studi Pendidikan Bahasa Inggris (PBI) di Universitas Kristen Artha Wacana Kupang. Studi ini berfokus pada mengeksplorasi efektivitas kegiatan komunikatif dalam meningkatkan kemampuan berbicara mahasiswa. Peneliti menggunakan metode Communicative Language Teaching (CLT) dan mengumpulkan data melalui pretest dan post-test. Analisis data dilakukan dengan evaluasi statistik sederhana terhadap skor pre-test dan post-test mahasiswa, bekerja sama dengan dosen.

Sampel penelitian terdiri dari satu kelas yang berisi 15 mahasiswa semester 2 Program Studi PBI. Berbagai kegiatan komunikatif diterapkan di kelas, dan kinerja mahasiswa dinilai berdasarkan kelancaran, pelafalan, ketepatan, kejelasan, dan performa secara keseluruhan. Hasil penelitian menunjukkan adanya peningkatan, dengan rata-rata skor pre-test sebesar 33,3% dan rata-rata skor post-test sebesar 40%.

Kesimpulannya, temuan ini menunjukkan bahwa penggunaan kegiatan komunikatif secara efektif meningkatkan kemampuan berbicara mahasiswa selama proses pembelajaran.

Kata Kunci: Peningkatan, Kemampuan Berbicara, Kegiatan Komunikatif

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