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## ABSTRACT

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In this study, the researcher discusses what vowel pronunciation errors are often made by students and identifies the causes or reasons why students make vowel pronunciation errors in first semester students of the English education study programme at Muhammadiyah Metro University.

In this study, researchers used descriptive qualitative methods, researchers took 28 samples selected using purposive sampling techniques. The instruments chosen in this study are: 1) oral test which consisting of 89 vowel sounds, 2) interview consisting of 8 questions. In analysing the data, the researcher used U-Dictionary or Audio Dictionary.

From the results of the oral test in reading English narrative text, Peniliti found in accordance with the theory of (Rambe, 2019) that the total percentage of vowel types was 82.02% in front vowels, 67.41% in middle vowels, and 22.47% in back vowels. The problems faced by students in pronouncing vowels are when students are not familiar with the pronunciation, find new vocabulary, feel nervous because of unfamiliarity with the language, and have difficulty speaking or pronouncing English due to lack of practice. In this study, researchers found nine students who had no difficulty and nineteen students who had difficulty when reading English narrative text. The results of this study can also be the basis for developing further research on pronunciation errors by analysing the pronunciation of consonant sounds and strategies to overcome students' problems in English pronunciation.

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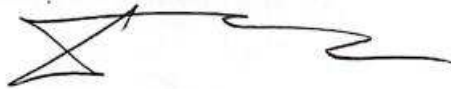
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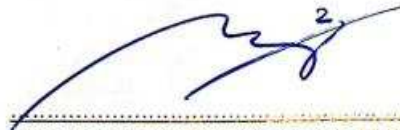
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