

ABSTRACT

Dwi Astuti Handayani. 2018. **AN ANALYSIS ON THE DIFFERENCES OF /ɔ/, /ə/ AND /e/ DIALECTS IN SOUTH SUMATERA**

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This thesis is about the differences of /ɔ/, /ə/ and /e/ dialects in South Sumatera. The objectives of this study were to find out the dialects in South Sumatera, the regions in the South Sumatera of using different dialects and the benefits of using different dialects in South Sumatera. The sources of data were the verbal utterances and interview from selected informants.

This thesis is descriptive qualitative method. The researcher uses note taking and interview technique because the data are taken from dialogue that used in South Sumatera. After collecting the data the researcher tries to analyze them by using Edward's theory.

Based on the analysis, this research shows three variations, some reason and benefits from the dialects in South Sumatera. The variations are /ɔ/, /ə/ and /e/. Hopefully by understanding this subject, it can be minimize misinterpretation and misunderstanding between /ɔ/, /ə/ and /e/ dialects in South Sumatera.

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