

GENDER, ETHNICS AND LEVEL OF POLITENESS: A STUDY OF DIRECTIVE SPEECH ACTS AT MEDICAL SCHOOL IN SOUTH OF TANGERANG, INDONESIA

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ABSTRACT

This research was conducted as an effort to develop studies related to level of politeness in the context of Indonesian. The main objective to be sought in this study is to see the use of politeness used by students at medical s College of Health Sciences in South Tangerang who come from several different cultures so that the manifestation of politeness in Indonesian can be seen clearly by the perspective of Sociopragmatics. This study uses a quantitative, qualitative approach with 60 students as respondents. Data was collected by using the DCT (Discourse Completion Test) test. There are three types of directive speech acts in this study, commanding, prohibiting, and asking questions that is used by students in DCT. Based on the results of the analysis data, it can be seen that there are differences in the use of students' directive politeness level from gender differences and also ethnicity. Male students have the highest score in using very polite language in commanding, prohibiting, and also asking questions. Based on ethnicity, it can be seen that the students from different cultures have their own way in giving directive speech acts.

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