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“The greatest gift is a passion for reading. It is cheap, it consoles, it distracts, it excites, and it gives you knowledge of the world and experience of a wide kind.

It is a moral illumination”.

*(Elizabeth Hardwick)*

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English has an important role in advancement of knowledge and it has been taught to all students' level. English has four main skills namely listening, speaking, writing and reading. Reading is the most important skill that must be taught and mastered by the students besides the other skills because it is an activity to get information from written texts. Most students still have problems in comprehending reading texts. Mostly, their problems in reading are caused by some reasons, for example, the students do not have enough knowledge about the topic and they are lack of vocabularies. Therefore, the English teacher needs an appropriate technique to facilitate the students in comprehending their reading skill by connecting their background knowledge with the topic being discussed and to build their vocabulary by providing new words that helps them to comprehend the reading text as well as possible

This research was conducted to investigate the effect of webbing technique on the eighth grade students' reading comprehension achievement at SMP Negeri 7 Jember in the 2012/2013 academic year. The population of this research was all of the eighth grade students of SMP Negeri 7 Jember in the 2012/2013 academic year. The research respondents were determined by a homogeneity test (reading test). The number of the respondents was 78 students, consisting of 39 students of grade VIII G as the experimental group taught by using webbing technique, and 39 students of VIII H as the control group, taught without using webbing technique (by using lecturing and question-answer techniques).

There were two kinds of data in this research, primary data and supporting data. The primary data of this research were collected from the students' scores of reading test, and the supporting data were taken from interview and documentation. The primary data were collected from the post-test to compare reading comprehension achievement of the two different groups after treatment, and then the researcher analyzed the result of the test by using Independent sample t-Test (SPSS). Based on the calculation, the result of this research showed that there was a significant effect of using webbing technique on the eighth grade students' reading comprehension achievement. It was proved by the value of significant column of t-test table by using SPSS software, and the result was 0.000 which was lower than 0.05 (significant level of 5%). This means that the null hypothesis ( $H_0$ ) formulated: "There is no significant effect of webbing technique on the eighth grade students' reading comprehension achievement at SMP Negeri 7 Jember in the 2012/2013 academic year" was rejected, thus the alternative hypothesis: "There is a significant effect of webbing technique on the eighth grade students' reading comprehension achievement at SMP Negeri 7 Jember in the 2012/2013 academic year" was accepted.

The research results proved that there was a significant effect of webbing technique on the eighth grade students' reading comprehension achievement at SMP Negeri 7 Jember in the 2012/2013 academic year. Therefore, it is recommended for the English teacher to use webbing technique as an alternative technique in teaching reading skill.



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