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3. My beloved sisters, Puji Astutik and Luluk Yuliani.
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“ The life which is unexamined is not worth living”

(Socrates)

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## SUMMARY

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This descriptive research was intended to describe the students' reading comprehension achievement of narrative and report texts of Grade XI Language Class at SMA Muhammadiyah 3 Jember in the 2011/2012 academic year. The achievement was measured from the students' reading comprehension test of narrative and report texts. This research was conducted to Grade XI language Class of SMA Muhammadiyah 3 Jember, as the research subject, which was determined by purposive method. The number of the research respondents was 31 students.

The data of this research were collected by conducting reading comprehension test of narrative and report texts, questionnaire, interview and documentation. The students' reading comprehension test was in the form of multiple choice and there were 30 items with 5 indicators, they were comprehending word, comprehending phrase, comprehending sentence, comprehending paragraph, and comprehending text. The result of the students' reading comprehension test was the Grade XI Language Class at SMA Muhammadiyah 3 Jember had fair ability. It was showed that 1 student or 3.23% of Grade XI Language Class achieved score 97 that was categorized "excellent", 6 students or 19.35% got score between 86-95 was categorized "very good", 8 students or 25.81% achieved score between 76-85 was categorized "good", 9 students or 29.03% reached score 66-75 was categorized "more than enough". While 3 students out of 31 or 9.68% categorized "fair", they achieved score 56-65

or under SKM and 4 students or 12.90% were able to reach score 36-55 was categorized “poor”.

Based on the result of the questionnaire, it can be described that there were 83.87% students who were interested in learning English, they had strong motivation and never thought that learning English was difficult and hard. Based on the result of the students’ reading comprehension test, those students were able to reach the required standard score or SKM (75). However, there were still 16.13% students who considered English as a difficult subject.

According to the result of the students’ score in each indicator, it was indicated that the Grade XI Language students in comprehending word was very good, their mean score was 92.34. The second indicator was phrase comprehension which the mean score of Grade XI Language Students was 64.52; it was classified as “fair” level. The third was sentence comprehension, which showed that The Grade XI Language students’ mean score was 86.96. And it was categorized “very good” category. The fourth was paragraph comprehension. The result of the reading test showed that for comprehending paragraph, the Grade XI Language students had low ability, their mean score was only 55.65, and it was categorized “fair”. The last was text comprehension; their mean score showed that their text comprehension was more than enough. Their mean score was 75 in comprehending text.



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