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This Classroom Action Research was intended to improve the seventh grade students' vocabulary achievement at SMPN 1 Tempeh-Lumajang in the 2013/2014 academic year. Based on the preliminary study in the form of interview with the English teacher of seventh grade students at SMPN 1 Tempeh-Lumajang, it was known that the seventh grade students of that school experienced difficulties in learning vocabulary. The teacher said that most of students' difficulties in memorizing and understanding the vocabulary, especially in VII B class. It was known based on the last vocabulary test done by the English teacher that VII B class had the lowest percentage score that achieved the standard score than the other classes. The standard score of vocabulary is 78. In that class the students' who achieved the standard score was 34.21%. Besides, the English teacher said that the students' active performance in the teaching learning process of vocabulary was still low. Considering the problems above, this research was undertaken to overcome the students' problem by using word guessing game as a technique in teaching vocabulary.

This Classroom Action Research was done collaboratively with the English teacher and it was carried out in two cycles, each cycle consisted of three meetings included the test. In this research, the actions were considered successful if 65% of the students were active in each indicator of the observation stated in the checklist and also if 65% of the students achieved at least 78 of the vocabulary test. In the first cycle, the result of observation in the form of the students' active performance was 43.2% students who were active in the first meeting and 52.6% in the second meeting. This shows that there was an improvement of the students' active performance in the first meeting to the second meeting, but it did not achieve the target criteria of success of the research that was 65% or more. In addition, the result of vocabulary test in the first cycle there was 47.4% of students who achieved at least 78. This shows that the result of the actions did not achieve the target. Therefore, the second cycle was necessary to overcome the problem in the first cycle.

In the second cycle, the result of observation in the form of the students' active performance in the first meeting was 59.4% of the students who were categorized active and 71.1% in the second meeting, and the result of vocabulary test in the second meeting was 68.4% of students who achieved the standard score at least 78. This means that the actions in the second cycle achieved the criteria of success the research. Finally, it can be concluded that the use of word guessing game technique can improve the students' vocabulary achievement and the students' active performance in the teaching learning process at SMPN 1 Tempeh- Lumajang.

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