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ABSTRACT

People can not stand alone. They need each other because human being is a social creature. The dependence on others can be seen when people request somebody’s help. In making request, people should consider many things. They have to save other people’s face. Politeness is the best way to save other people’s face. It is used to avoid embarrassing, offending and making people feel uncomfortable. The purpose of this study is to find out the politeness strategies used by people in making requests. The writer chooses WANACARAKA community as the subject of the writer’s research. The request is analyzed based on the theory by Brown and Levinson (1978). In WANACARAKA, there are three participants which consists of; 6 seniors, 9 juniors and 8 visitors.

The result of the study shows that seniors used more positive politeness strategies. It means that the seniors have close relationship with the juniors and visitors. They prefer making no distance and switch it with friendship. Positive politeness strategies are also used by the visitors to the juniors. Double positive politeness strategies are used by the juniors to the seniors, the junior to the visitors and also the visitors to the seniors. The purpose of using these strategies is to emphasize the positive politeness strategies used or put an emphasis on the strategies used in the requests. Negative and double negative politeness strategies are also chosen by the juniors to the seniors and the visitors to the juniors. It means that they prefer making a distance in their conversations.
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