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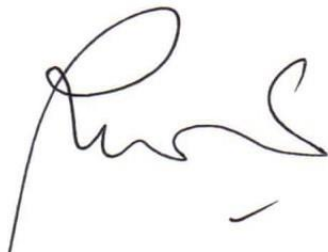
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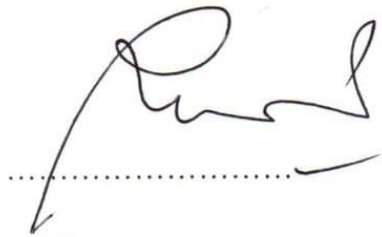
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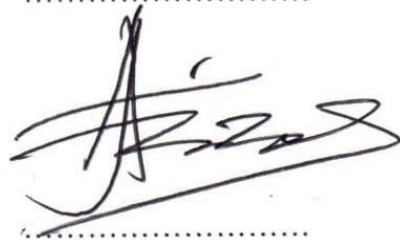
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Language and gender is one of the sociolinguistic topics which still be concerned by many sociolinguists. Gender differences which many researchers concerned about are in linguistic variation and dominance of using language that affect their social life such as in working, discussion, etc. Gender difference can be seen in English talk show host where women and men hosts have different pattern and style during utilizing language. In order to keep their relationship as well as their reputation as a talk show host, English women and men hosts employ and consider their language when communicating with their guest stars. Thus, this research focused on analysing and finding the difference between women and men hosts.

The main purposes of this research are to find the lexical and grammatical feature difference used by women and men host. To find and analyse the difference between women and men hosts, the researcher used descriptive qualitative research. The researcher used 6 men English and 6 women English hosts to find the difference between them. Additionally, the researcher used video from YouTube and transcript those 12 English hosts to gather the data. Then, the researcher utilized Lakoff theory for women hosts and Coates theory for men hosts to classify the data. However, the researcher did not use rising intonation, emphatic stress from Lakoff and interruption from Coates theory because the researcher only focused on lexical and grammar features.

The study's findings indicated seven women's languages employed by English women hosts, including lexical hedges or filler, intensifier, avoidance of strong word, and empty adjective, as well as grammatical features such as tag question, hypercorrect grammar, and super polite form. On the other hand, there were five men language feature used by English men hosts included minimal responses, compliment, and swearing-taboo, as well as grammatical features including directives-command and question. Furthermore, the differences between English women and men host in term of lexical were women hosts used avoidance strong word and empty adjective, whereas men hosts used swearing-taboo and compliment. In grammatical feature, English women hosts used tag question and super polite form whereas English men hosts used question and directives-command.

Keywords: Language, Gender, Lexical feature, Grammatical Feature, Host, Talk show



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