

# AN ANALYSIS ON THE DIFFERENT LANGUAGE USE BETWEEN AMERICAN AND BRITISH ENGLISH FOUND IN NOVEL “HARRY POTTER AND THE HALFBLOOD PRINCE” BY J.K ROWLING

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Language exists in order that people can communicate to each other. In its development, language can change. The changes of language can create language variations. One aspect that makes language variations is geographical aspect. Different area can create the variation of language. It happens in English. The researcher takes American and British English. This research is to get the differences of language used between American and British English which are represented in novel “Harry Potter and the Half Blood Prince.”

This research was intended to find verb differences, tenses differences, and language expression differences in this novel. The design of this research was descriptive research. Moreover, this research used qualitative research. Besides, this research employed documentary analysis.

There are forty nine verb differences, six tense differences, and one hundreds and one language expression differences found in this novel. In verb differences, there are four verb differences in transitive, six verb differences in intransitive, twenty six verb differences in phrasal verb, three verb differences between intransitive and phrasal verb, five verb differences between transitive and phrasal verb, one verb difference in modal auxiliary, three verb differences in auxiliary be, one verb difference between modal and auxiliary and auxiliary be. In tenses differences, one sentence in American version uses present tense while British version uses simple past tense, seven sentences in American version uses simple past tense while British version uses past perfect tense, one sentence in American version uses past perfect tense while British version uses continuous tense, two sentences in American version uses present tense while British version uses continuous tense, one sentence in American version uses continuous tense while British version uses past tense, one sentence in American version uses present modal while British version uses past modal. In language expression differences, There are language expression differences in comparative, in singular and plural, in conjunction, in noun, in noun phrase, in clauses, in pronoun, in preposition, in adjective, in possessive form, in adverb, in sentence, and the other language expression differences in which there are the existence of some words in some sentences while the others are not in both American and British version. All the differences are similar in the meaning.