



THE TYPES AND FUNCTIONS OF SLANGS IN “FINNICK” MOVIE

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ABSTRACT

There is no denying that the entertainment industry is responsible for shaping the language world, including the vocabulary of viewers. From popular slang terms to phrases, movies have its massive contribution. This research focuses on analyzing the slang words in Finnick movie which has been translated in English by Australians at 3beep studio. The purpose of the study is to find out the types and functions by using a descriptive qualitative method. Word filtering is used to identify slang words which are then marked and explained using content analysis techniques. The result of this study shows that there are two types of slangs found in this movie, namely primary and secondary. In term of functions, the expressive, informational, directive, aesthetic, and phatic function are found. The expressive function to express emotions is the most commonly used in this movie.

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INTRODUCTION

Language is something that is needed for social beings to be able to communicate with each other and be able to understand. According to Habibiloyevna (2021), language is a fundamental aspect of human life, serving as a tool for expressing our thoughts and facilitating communication. It enables us to convey ideas and opinions, making it easier for people to understand one another. To effectively share our perspectives, language we rely on. Ilyosovna (2020) stated that language is the main source of our communication. It can be concluded that language is a tool of communication for individuals to convey messages to others, expressed through various words intending to ensure that messages and feelings are effectively conveyed.

According to Sydney (2022), language is divided into two types formal and informal. Formal language does not use everyday phrases, is generally used in official settings, and tends to be more rigid. Meanwhile, informal language is more commonly used in everyday conversations or relaxed situations. The presence of differences between these two language styles can provide flexibility in communication according to context and needs. Formal language can be utilized in the workplace, meetings, or official events, thereby helping to maintain a professional impression. On the other hand, informal language is used when speaking with friends or family, allowing for more spontaneous and familiar communication.

In daily life, informal language is used more dominantly, and with the development of time, various types of words are used, one of which is slang. According to Syahputra., et al. (2021), slang encompasses various forms of language typically used by teenagers or specific groups, these groups often enjoy playing with words, combining them with phrases in creative and informal ways. In every part of the world, every culture, every era, and even every region has its slang. Since it belongs far beyond formal English, the slang frequently appears in movie scripts, song lyrics, novels, etc.

In this theoretical context, this study will explore the slang found in Finnick movies. Finnick is an animated movie released in 2022. It was produced by Petersburg Animation Studio, Cinema Foundation of Russia. While the original movie originates from Russia

however, it was re-released on September 15, 2022, with an Australian English dubbing at the 3beep studio. The movie tells the story of a cartoon character named Finnick, a furry creature invisible to humans, and Christine, a 13-year-old girl. They must collaborate and work together to unravel the mystery of the events and save the city. However, it is quite challenging to grasp the meaning of slang words used in the dialogues of the movie, hence, this needs to be further examined. Therefore, this study was carried out to understand the slang words and functional categories used in the Finnick movie. Based on this explanation, it becomes the background for the writer to choose the title "An Analysis of Slang Language in the "Finnick" Movie.

Definition of Slang

According to Situmorang & Herman (2021), as cited in Pane & Marpaung (2022), slang is a type of informal language commonly used by young people and certain groups. Teenagers, in particular, develop their own vocabulary to express themselves uniquely. Moreover, slang terms are often not widely understood outside of these specific circles, as they primarily exist within youth communities.

Ratna Sari, et al (2021), stated that slang consists of informal words and expressions that are not typically considered standard in formal language. However, these terms often become more acceptable in casual, social contexts. It was also noted by Yule (2006), stated that slang can be defined as informal English crafted and employed by a specific community, and in the contemporary era, slang cannot be compartmentalized by language as it has become an integral component of our communicative practices, while formal language is employed on formal occasions, slang predominantly finds its usage in everyday conversations. It was also noted Yule in informal language, people perceive that slang can be applied in various informal situations across different contexts, reflecting its universal nature as slang varies regionally and historically, fulfilling diverse social functions and showcasing the creativity of language users and this slang also being used by many people, even in films and songs.

It can be concluded slang is a kind of non-standard use of words in a language and sometimes the creation of new words is from another language. The spreading of slang is very fast, especially among the millennial generation. Slang itself can be described as deviating from the use of standard language. Slang is a kind of non-standard use of words in a language and sometimes the creation of new words from other languages. Slang should not be spoken in schools, shrines, court offices, and other official places.

Types of Slang

According to Kipfer & Chapman (2007), there are two types of slang words:

1. Primary

Primary slang is general slang expressions that are used by people in their daily communication. Primary slang has types of words that are familiar to many people. Kipfer & Chapman (2007) stated that an example of a word and slang phrase identified as primary slang is "Yo," which can be interpreted as a "Greeting Word." Slang phrases are identified as primary slang because such slang is used as a common expression by many people in their daily communication, or it is an alternative pronunciation to abbreviate, modify, or alter the sound of a word.

2. Secondary Slang

Secondary slang meaning is a slang word used to reveal something in secret which only limits people who understand the meaning of the words. Kipfer & Chapman (2007) stated that the slang word "bankroll" is commonly used to refer to money. This slang word is employed to express something secretive, known only to those who understand its meaning. This is the reason why the slang term "bankroll" is classified as secondary slang.

Functions of Slang

According to Leech (1981), language functions are categorized into five, namely expressive function, informational function, aesthetic function, directive function, and phatic function. These functions are utilized to analyze the use of slang language in the movie

"Finnick." This theory is applied to scrutinize the functions of slang language as it is an integral part of spoken language. Therefore, the writer opts for this theory to analyze the functions of slang language presented in the movie. The explanations of these functions are outlined below:

1. Expressive

In this expressive function, one expresses their feelings and attitudes directly. For example, "Dope" is a slang word that means very good and excellent, "OMG" is used to express surprise or disgust, and "Beat" is used to indicate tiredness. It reflects amazement, like saying, "What a wonderful day!"

2. Informational

The informational function is a language function that provides information to the listener or reader. For example, in this function, the term "sick" is used to describe something great or excellent.

3. Directive

The directive function is used to influence the behavior or attitude of others. An example of a directive function is cool down. Cool down is a slang phrase for stop being angry. "Good afternoon, mam. Can I help you?" and "Do you mind coming to my party"

4. Aesthetic

The aesthetic function is focused on the linguistic message itself and the speaker tends to choose words according to his or her desire. An example Bonker is a slang word for crazy, wild, and hectic. Homible is terrible, and in the poetry, he or she prefers to choose, "When I was one and twenty" rather than, "When I Was Twenty-One".

5. Phatic

The phatic function is used for opening, keeping, or stopping communication lines. Wussup is a slang abbreviation or contraction of the greeting "What's up?". The speaker uses the phatic function of language which aims to keep the communication between you and your friend open, by saying greetings for example "How is the family?", "Good morning everybody" and "Hi how do you do?"

Definition of Movie

According to Merriam-Webster. (n.d.), a movie is a recorded moving image that narrates a story, presented on a screen. From its narrative, individuals can gain insights into the moral aspects of the story. A movie is also a form of expression, and within the context of slang in movies, it serves as a dynamic means of conveying cultural nuances and societal language trends. Rantika., et al. (2023), said that in movies, human life is often depicted, allowing us to observe how slang words and expressions are used, particularly by the main characters.

METHODOLOGY

This study was conducted to collect various slang words in movies and look for the meaning of the slang. To the above objectives, the writer needs to choose a method that is suitable for the study to achieve data and can be relied upon so that this study can obtain valid results.

The writer employs a qualitative approach and descriptive method in this study. Sugiyono (2016), stated that Qualitative research methods are based on the philosophy of postpositivism and are used to investigate objects in their natural conditions. Descriptive qualitative methods were used in this study to analyze the data and there were two steps taken to analyze the data, namely, analyzing the data that had been collected from Finnick movie and the second was analyzing the meaning of slang words that had been found in Finnick movie.

FINDING AND DISCUSSION

This study aims to find the type and function along with the meaning of slang used in "Finnick" movies. Based on the data from the analysis sheet of "Finnik" movie, the type of slang is divided into two namely Primar and Secondary, besides that there are also five functions of slang found in this movie namely, Expressive, Informational, Directive, Aesthetic, and Phatic.

Type of Slang

Type Slang slang found in this movie consists of two types, namely as follows:

1) Primary Slang Word

Primary slang is a slang expression in daily communication. Based on this definition, the writer found several types of Primary slang words. The table below is a list of Primary slang types obtained from the "Finnick" Movie.

Table 1. Primary Slang Word

Slang	Meaning in the Movie	Meaning in Indonesian
Nope	No, Nothing	Tidak ada
Sweetie	Sweetheart	Sayang
Boom Gate	Gate	Gerbang
K'bye	Bye	Sampai Jumpa
Hey There	Hey/Hallo	Hei (Menyapa)
Gotta	Have got to	Harus
Honey dear	A loved one	Orang yang dicintai
Yep	Yes	Iya
Pretty Sure	Sure	Tentu
What's up	Hello	Halo
Grandpops	Grandfather	Kakek
Chief Goal	Main Objective/ Main Goal	Tujuan Utama
Hear me up	Listen to me	Dengarkan saya
Get off	Leave	Keluar
Taking so long	To spend a lot	Menghabiskan banyak waktu
Shoulda Hired	Should have hired	Seharusnya Mempekerjakannya
Newbies	Beginners	Pemula
Mom	Mother	Ibu
Dad	Father	Ayah
Won't	Will not	Tidak
Awesome	Amazing	Hebat/Luar Biasa
Outta	Out of	Keluar
Babe	Dear	Sayang/Cinta
Totally Fine	Really good	Benar-benar baik
I'm pretty sure	I'm sure	Saya yakin
Take a Whiff	Smell it	Mencium bau/Menciumnya
Watch out	Be careful	Hati-hati
Brace yourself	Prepare yourself	Siapkan dirimu
Plump	Fat	Gemuk atau Berisi
Viral	Go Public	Menggambarkan konten yang mendapatkan perhatian luas dalam waktu singkat.
Yeah	Yes	Iya
Strike	Success	Berhasil/Sukses
You've gotta be kidding	You have to be kidding	mengekspresikan ketidakpercayaan atau kejutan atas sesuatu yang

		dianggap tidak masuk akal atau mengejutkan
What are you, nuts?	Are you crazy	Apakah kamu gila?
You got the right	You are correct	Kamu benar sekali/tepat sekali
Lay down some rules	Set some rules	Membuat beberapa aturan
Get it	Understand	Mengerti
Hang a left	Left turn	Belok kiri
Fabulous	Wonderful	Luar biasa/sangat baik
Bad hair day	Loss of fur	Kehilangan bulu tubuh
Scram	Go away	Pergi/Menyingkir
Kindly	Thankyou very much	Terima kasih banyak
Showbiz	Show business	Industry Hiburan
Get lost	Go away	Pergi/Menjauh

Context 1

Christine : We catch the culprit first, and then I'll give you your fur

Finn : The fur first

Christine : **Nope**, That's not gonna work

Christin can see Finnick because she is holding Finnick's fur and she wants Finnick to be able to help find the person who made a mess in their town but Finnick wants to ask for the fur back first and he answers "Nope" which means "No". The slang word "Nope" belongs to the Primary type because the definition of primary slang is general slang expressions that are used by people in their daily communication and "nope" it is often found and used in daily communication.

Context 2

Christine's Mom : **Sweetie**, are you sure that this is the right house?

Christine's Dad : Yep, pretty sure

Christine and her mom and dad are moving house, and her mom asks if she's sure about moving in by calling her "sweetie" which means "Sweetheart". This slang is also included in the primary type category because sweetie is very often used in daily communication.

2) Secondary Slang Word

Secondary Slang Word reveals something in secret that only limits the people who understand the meaning of the word. The table below lists the types of Secondary slang obtained from the "Finnick" Movie.

Table 2. Secondary Slang Word

Slang	Meaning in the Movie	Meaning in Indonesian
Tick-Tock	Time keeps running	Waktu terus berjalan
Finn-Counter	A gathering place for Finnish people	Tempat berkumpulnya masyarakat Finlandia
My BFF	My Best Friend Forever	Sahabat Selamanya
All that junk	All unnecessary items	Semua barang-barang yang tidak berguna
Sherlock	Detective	Detektif
Yoink	Take away suddenly	Pengambilan sesuatu secara cepat atau tiba-tiba
Fickle	Changeable	Berubah-ubah
Sad-sack	Pathetic	Selalu murung atau sedih

Walk-through	Survey	Proses melihat atau memeriksa sesuatu secara singkat atau cepat
Elementary	Simple	Sangat jelas atau mudah dipahami
Second-rate hacks	Incompetent	Tidak kompeten
Wooden	Stiff	Menggambarkan seseorang yang tampil atau bertindak kaku dan tanpa emosi
Blasted	Angry	Marah
Banshee	A screaming person	seseorang yang berteriak atau berbicara dengan suara keras&melengking.
Sinister	Evil	Menakutkan/Seram
Yanked out	Yank	Menarik sesuatu dengan cepat dan kasar
Three-ring circus	Chaos	Situasi yang kacau dan tidak terkendali
Haggling	Bargaining	Tawar menawar atau negoisasi
Oh rats	Oh shit	Kekecewaan/Oh sial
Totally cuckoo	crazy	Gila
Bonkers	crazy	Gila
Lunatic	Crazy or psychotic person	Orang gila atau orang yang berperilaku sangat aneh
Trendy trim	New style	Gaya potongan rambut dengan tren terbaru
Paw slap	Handshake	Jabat Tangan
Beef	Problem	Masalah/Konflik

Context 1

Finnick's Friend : Finnick! **Tick-tock** already or we'll be late to our weekly **Finn-Counter!**

Christine : Hm, I must say I... find myself surprisingly interested in this case.

In this context, Finnick's friend calls him to hurry up by using the slang word "Tick-tock" which describes that "time is running out". The word "Finn-Counter" is also a slang word that describes the "home of the Filandia people (Team Finnick)". Secondary meaning is a slang word used to reveal something in secret which only limits people who understand the meaning of the words, the slang term "Finn-Counter" is classified as secondary slang because its meaning is specific to Finnish culture, making it only understood by those familiar with the context of the movie. Similarly, the term "Tick-Tock" is also considered secondary slang because its meaning is only understood by certain groups or individuals familiar with the specific context in which it is used.

Context 2

Christine : That I could be..like your favorite human something?

Finnick : Well, obviously. Duh!

Christine : **My B..FF! Best Finn Forever!**

Finnick : Ok, ok, that's enough now. Let's get down to business!

Christine and Finnick managed to find the person who made a mess in their town and became best friends by using the nickname "My BFF" which stands for "My Best Finn Forever" which means "Best Friend Forever" The word Finn replaces the word Friend. "Best Friend Forever" is a term categorized as secondary slang because its meaning is specifically understood by particular groups or individuals familiar with its context.

Functions of Slang

In this Function of Slang, there are 5 types, as follows:

1) Expressive

In this function, expressing his feelings and attitudes directly.

Table 3. Expressive Function

Slang	Meaning in the Context	Meaning In Indonesia
Shoulda Hired	Should have hired	Seharusnya Mempekerjakannya
Awesome	Amazing	Hebat/Luar Biasa
Babe	Dear	Sayang/Cinta
Sad-sack	Pathetic	Selalu murung atau sedih
Totally Fine	Really good	Benar-benar baik
I'm pretty sure	I'm sure	Saya yakin
Yeah	Yes	Iya
Blasted	Angry	Marah
Kindly	Thank you very much	Terima kasih banyak
You gotta be kidding	You have to be kidding	Mengekspresikan ketidakpercayaan atau kejutan tidak masuk akal
You've got the right	You are correct	Kamu benar sekali/tepat sekali
Get it	Understand	Mengerti
Oh rats	Oh shit	Kekecewaan/Oh sial
Fabulous	Wonderful	Luar biasa/sangat baik
Bad hair day	Loss of fur	Kehilangan bulu tubuh
Boom Gate	Gate	Gerbang
K'bye	Bye	Bye
Hey There	Hey	Hai
Gotta	Have got to	Harus
Nope	No, Nothing	Tidak ada
Sweetie	Sweetheart	Sayang
Yep	Yes	Iya
Pretty Sure	Sure	Tentu

Context

Christine : It's so dark in here
 Finnick : Come on! There's got to be evidence in there!
 Christine : Oh, but I can't see a thing. Finnick? Finnick?
 Finnick : no-no-no-no-no! **Oh, rats!**

The dialog tells the story of Christine getting into JB's car (troublemaker) with the door locked and Finnick outside. Knowing Christine was trapped in the car Finnick was annoyed and said "Oh Rats" which can be interpreted as "Oh Shit" which contains words that express feelings of disappointment or annoyance. In this expressive function, one directly expresses their feelings and attitudes through the word "Oh Rast." Therefore, this slang falls under the category of expressive function.

2) Informational

The informational function is the function of language that provides information to listeners or readers.

Table 4. Informational Function

Slang	Meaning in the Context	Meaning In Indonesia
Chief Goal	Main Objective/ Main Goal	Tujuan Utama
Taking so long	To spend a lot	Menghabiskan banyak waktu
Newbies	Beginners	Pemula

Showbiz	Show business	Industry Hiburan
All that junk	All unnecessary items	Semua barang ² yang tidak berguna
Plump	Fat	Gemuk atau Berisi
Viral	Go Public	Mendapatkan perhatian luas dalam waktu singkat.
Walk-through	Survey	Proses melihat atau memeriksa sesuatu secara singkat/cepat
Strike	Success	Berhasil/Sukses
Lay down some rules	Set some rules	Membuat beberapa aturan
Hang a left	Left turn	Belok kiri
Finn-Counter	A gathering place for Finnish people	Tempat berkumpulnya masyarakat Finlandia
My BFF	My Best Friend Forever	Sahabat

Context

Finnick : You and Me gotta **lay down some rules**. You are forbidden to bring any people here!

Christine : Hm! And what's so bad about people

Finnick : Well Bad? Bad?! You break everything I care about. You're messy and noisy and you won't leave my house!

The example above tells us that Finnick wants to "lay down some rules" which can be interpreted as "set some rules" with Christine so that not everyone can enter their house because it is very disturbing to Finnick. The slang "lay down some rules" belongs to the information function that provides information language.

3) Directive

The directive function is used to influence the behavior or attitude of others.

Table 5. Directive Function

Slang	Meaning in the Context	Meaning In Indonesia
Yoink	Take away suddenly	Pengambilan sesuatu secara cepat atau tiba-tiba
Second-rate hacks	Incompetent	Tidak kompeten
Wooden	Stiff	Menggambarkan seseorang yang tampil atau bertindak kaku
Banshee	A screaming person	Seseorang yang berteriak atau berbicara dengan suara keras dan melengking.
Sinister	Scary	Menakutkan/Seram
Yanked out	Yank	Menarik sesuatu dengan cepat dan kasar

Context

Chrstine : Shouldn't you guys have left now?

Christine's Dad : What time is it?

Chrstine : Time to go

Christine's Dad : I can't believe it

Christine's Mom : We lost track of time

Christine's Dad : It all felt so real! **So sinister**

Christine's Dad, who works in the industry, revealed that their new job is real and has to be scary according to the dialogue of their story. "Sinister" can be translated as "Scary". By the definition of the directive function, which is a word used to influence the behavior or attitude of others, the word "Sinister" falls into the category of directive function.

4) Aesthetic

Aesthetic functions focus on the linguistic message itself and speakers tend to choose words according to their wishes.

Table 6. Aesthetic Function

Slang	Meaning in the Context	Meaning In Indonesia
Mom	Mother	Ibu
Dad	Father	Ayah
Sherlock	Detective	Detektif
Won't	Will not	Tidak
Fickle	Changeable	Berubah-ubah
Take a Whiff	Smell it	Mencium bau/menciumnya
What are you, nuts?	Are you crazy	Apakah kamu gila?
Three-ring circus	Chaos	Situasi yang kacau dan tidak terkendali
Haggling	Bargaining	Tawar-menawar atau negoisasi
Totally cuckoo	crazy	Gila
Bonkers	crazy	Gila
Lunatic	Crazy or psychotic person	Orang gila atau orang yang berperilaku sangat aneh
Trendy trim	New style	Gaya potongan rambut dengan tren terbaru
Beef	Problem	Masalah/Konflik
Paw Slap	Handshake	Jabat Tangan
Honey dear	A loved one	Orang yang dicintai
Tick-Tock	Time keeps running	Waktu terus berjalan
Elementary	Simple	Sangat jelas atau mudah dipahami
Grandpops	Grandfather	Kakek

Context

JB : And you, wiggle on over here. You're long overdue for a haircut and now you're going to get it

Finnick : Wait. Just wait. It's not that long, I'd rather have it cut by a professional

JB : Don't worry, I'll give you a **trendy trim**.

In this dialog, it tells that someone named JB is trying to attack their city and Finnick tries to stop him but is caught by JB who wants to cut Finnick's fur. To buy time, Finnick talks to JB who wants to cut his fur by saying that he needs a professional to cut his fur and JB replies that he would cut with "*Trendy Trim*" which means "*New Style*". The aesthetic function is focused on the linguistic message itself and the speaker tends to choose words according to his wishes so that the slang "*Trendy Trim*" is included in the aesthetic function category because the word has the meaning of the linguistic message itself.

5) Phatic

The Phatic function is used to open, maintain, or stop the communication line.

Table 7. Phatic Function

Slang	Meaning in the Context	Meaning In Indonesia
Get off	Leave	Keluar
What's up	Hello	Halo
Outta	Out of	Keluar
Watch out	Be careful	Hati-hati

Brace yourself	Prepare yourself	Siapkan dirimu
Hear me up	Listen to me	Dengarkan saya
Scram	Go away	Pergi/Menyingkir
Get lost	Go away	Pergi/Menjauh

Context

Christine : Eugh! Look like a crime scene in here.

Christine's Mam: Don't worry honey. We'll make it a home. Ugh awesome.

Finnick : You call this awesome? what would be awesome, is if you got **outta** here!

This sentence tells the story of Christine who moved into a messy house and her mother wanted to call someone but Finnick did not accept and said "Outta" which can be interpreted as "Out Off". The phatic function is used to open, maintain, or stop the line of communication, and the word "Outta" means to stop communication, therefore this slang is included in the phatic function category.

CONCLUSION

Conclusion

Based on the findings and discussion of the study of slang in the movie "Finnick," the writer identified sixty-nine slang words. There are two types and five functions of slang used in the movie. The two types found in this movie are Primary slang words and Secondary slang words, with Primary slang words being the most frequently used, totaling forty-four slang words. Primary slang words are more dominantly used in this movie, which can be concluded to mean that the language used makes it easier for the target audience, namely teenagers and children to understand. However, the researcher also identified one type of Secondary slang word in the movie, totaling twenty-five slang words.

The functions of slang identified in this study are Expressive function, Informational function, Directive function, Aesthetic function, and Phatic function. The writer found that the most frequently used function in the movie "Finnick" is the Expressive function, which has twenty-three slang words. This Additionally, the Informational function includes thirteen slang words, the Directive function includes seven slang words, the Aesthetic function includes eighteen slang words, and the Phatic function includes eight slang words.

During this study, it was found that learning slang can be done through various platforms, one of which is movies. Movies not only help in understanding and learning different types of slang but also provide deep insights into its usage in various situations. Through movies, viewers can observe the social and cultural contexts in which slang is used and how informal language functions in everyday communication. Thus, watching movies becomes an effective method for expanding vocabulary and enhancing understanding of the nuances of slang usage.

Suggestions

The Use of Slang can be found in daily communication. Therefore, the suggestions are for students, readers, and future researchers.

1. The Writer hopes that the slang words in the Finnick movie can be learned further as additional knowledge.
2. By learning slang words, it will be easier to interact with native speakers. Then, it also can avoid the misunderstanding while watching English movies.
3. Furthermore, learning and understanding the meaning of slang words will make the message delivered clearly and easy to understand.
4. The writer hopes that future researchers will be careful to collecting slang data because the meaning may be different depending on the context.

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