

## ABSTRACT

### IMPROVING STUDENTS VOCABULARY THROUGH GROUP CHAT DISCUSSION ON WHATSAPP IN LEARNING ENGLISH THIRD GRADE STUDENTS AT SMP NEGERI 1 BUKIT KEMUNING

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**Abstract.** The objectives of this research were to find out whether i) there was a statistically significant improvement of students' vocabulary ii) which aspects of vocabulary improve the most after the students were taught through group chat discussion. The approach of the research was quantitative. This study employed one group pre-test and post-test design. The subjects were 28 students of the third grade of SMP. The data were collected using the vocabulary test. The data were analysed using Paired Sample t-test. The result showed that there was a statistically significant improvement of the students' vocabulary achievement with the significant level  $0.00 < 0.05$ . This suggests that teaching vocabulary using group chat discussion facilitates the students to find meaning from the text easily.

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