## ABSTRACT

## THE USE OF WORD CARDS TO IMPROVE VOCABULARY MASTERY OF THE FIRST YEAR STUDENTS SEKOLAH MENENGAH PERTAMA NEGERI 16 BANDAR LAMPUNG

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**Abstract,** Word cards are a useful tool for organizing and storing information about the target words. The purpose of this research is to find the improvement of the students' vocabulary mastery and which content words improved the most after implementing word cards in speaking activity at the first grade of SMP N 16 Bandar Lampung. This research used one group pre test post test design to collect the data. The sample of this research is the students of class VII E that consisted of 30 students. The researcher took 4 meetings to gain the data by using a test as the instrument for this research. It is consisted of pre test and post test. After analyzing the result between pre test and post test used SPSS 26, it shows that the improvement of the gain score is 21.32. Implementing word cards for the students' vocabulary mastery had the significant improvement also for all the contents words of vocabulary are improved.

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