

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

Praise be to Allah, for His gracious mercy and blessing that enables me to accomplish this script entitled “EFL Writing Strategies of the Second Year of SMP IT Daarul ‘Ilmi Kemiling Bandar Lampung.”

I would like to express my special appreciation to my first advisor, Prof. Dr. Patuan Raja, M.Pd. His advisory makes me understand and reveal the core of the script. The best gratitude also to my second advisor and my academic advisor, Dra. Rosita Simbolon, M.A. who has supported and activated my academic skill to achieve better writing. I am also grateful to Drs. Basturi Hasan, M.Pd. as the examiner of this thesis who gives many input and improvement. I acknowledge my debt to them whose attitude and patience always make me positively productive.

I also extend my gratitude to the Principal of SMP IT Daarul ‘Ilmi, Kakak Deni Harnova, S.Si., and students of SMP IT Daarul ‘Ilmi, Roudatun Najihin class, in which I elicited the data from them. Great thankfulness also goes to Peni Utami, S.Pd., the English teacher of SMP IT Daarul ‘Ilmi, who let me explore my teaching capability and took the data from her class.

I extend my appreciation to my wonderful fellows, English Department 2007 (NERD), Apparel Sheka Risdanti, Deri Herdawan, Umi Azizah, Dian Irawan, Liliz Fauziah and Joko Setyo Puji Santoso whose attitudes color the meaning of friendship. My sincere prayer is addressed to the late-Akhirman whose spirit motivated me to finish the script soon. Special thankfulness to my seniors,

especially to Kristian Adi Putra S.Pd., who gave me a challenging thesis subject and inspiration to finish the script.

Last but not least my great indebtedness is dedicated to my parents, Suratman and Nurjanah, who help me understand about life, love and values. My love and thankfulness are also due to my amazing brothers and sisters, Neneng Suryati, Suherman, late Hasbullah, Maria Ulfa, Sofyan, late Muhammad, Aby Firdaus and Nining Apriyanti who play a big role in my life.

Bandar Lampung, December 2011

Muhammad Rudy