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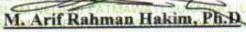
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This study aims to examine the effect of Inquiry-Based Learning (PBI) in improving the narrative writing ability of grade VII students at Ja'al Haq Plus Junior High School in Bengkulu City. Writing competence is an important element in English language learning; however, many students face challenges in organizing ideas, developing content, and applying appropriate language structures. This study used a quasi-experimental method involving two groups: an experimental group and a control group, each consisting of 10 students. The research procedure consisted of pre-test, treatment through the application of IBL for the experimental group, and posttest. Data were analyzed using paired t-test and independent sample t-test in SPSS 22. The findings showed that although both groups showed improvement in their writing scores, the experimental group showed a greater average improvement. Nevertheless, the independent t-test results showed no statistically significant difference (p = 0.591 > 0.05). Despite the limited statistical effect, IBL was shown to encourage students' engagement, creativity, and autonomy during the writing process. These results imply that, despite its minimal measurable impact, IBL remains a useful pedagogical approach to teaching writing in the junior high school context.

Keywords: Inquiry-Based Learning; Narrative Text; Writing Skills

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Penelitian ini bertujuan untuk menguji pengaruh Inquiry-Based Learning (IBL) dalam meningkatkan kemampuan menulis naratif siswa kelas VIII di SMP Plus Ja'al Haq Kota Bengkulu. Kemampuan menulis merupakan salah satu aspek penting dalam pembelajaran bahasa Inggris; namun, banyak siswa mengalami kesulitan dalam mengorganisasikan ide, mengembangkan isi, serta menggunakan struktur bahasa yang tepat. Penelitian ini menggunakan metode kuasi-eksperimen dengan melibatkan dua kelompok: kelompok eksperimen dan kelompok kontrol, masing-masing terdiri dari 10 siswa. Prosedur penelitian meliputi pre-test, perlakuan melalui penerapan IBL pada kelompok eksperimen, dan post-test. Data dianalisis menggunakan paired t-test dan independent sample t-test melalui SPSS 22. Hasil penelitian menunjukkan bahwa meskipun kedua kelompok mengalami peningkatan skor menulis, kelompok eksperimen menunjukkan rata-rata peningkatan yang lebih tinggi. Namun demikian, hasil uji independent t-test menunjukkan tidak terdapat perbedaan yang signifikan secara statistik (p = 0.591 > 0.05). Meskipun pengaruh statistik terbatas, IBL terbukti mampu mendorong keterlibatan, kreativitas, dan kemandirian siswa dalam proses menulis. Temuan ini mengimplikasikan bahwa, meskipun dampaknya yang terukur relatif kecil, IBL tetap menjadi pendekatan pedagogis yang bermanfaat dalam pengajaran menulis di tingkat SMP.

**Kata Kunci**: *Inquiry-Based Learning*; Teks Naratif; Keterampilan Menulis.

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