

## ABSTRACT

**Megawati Amang, 2023, "The Use of TikTok Application as a Learning Medium to Improve the Speaking Skills of the Eleventh-Grade Students of MAN PALOPO." A Thesis of the English Department of Tarbiyah and Teacher Training Faculty for the State Islamic Institut (IAIN) Palopo. Supervised by consultant (I) Dr. Rustan S., M. HUM., and Consultant (II) St. Hartina, S. Pd., M.Pd.**

This research aimed to determine the effectiveness of the TikTok Application in improving students' speaking skills in the eleventh grade of MAN Palopo. A pre-experimental study was used in this research. This research applied one group's pre-test and post-test design. The population of this study consisted of 240 students in eight classes for the eleventh grade of MAN Palopo. The sample consisted of 24 students and was taken using a random sampling technique. In contrast, the research instrument used was a speaking test. The data were analyzed using a Paired Sample T-test and calculated using SPSS 22. The data were analyzed by calculating the mean score and paired sample t-test. This research showed that the mean score on Post-Test (55.96) was higher than the Pre-Test (35.83). The data analysis value,  $t_{count}$  (22.176), while the  $T_{table}$ . For the standard of significance level, 0,05 (5%) on  $df$  (degree of freedom) value 23 was 1.713, which means the data stated that the value of  $t_{count}$  is higher than that of  $T_{table}$ . On the other hand, the alternative hypothesis ( $H_1$ ) was accepted, and the null hypothesis ( $H_0$ ) was rejected. It can be concluded that using the TikTok Application is effective and can be recommended to improve students' speaking skills. The TikTok application is also interesting because it has various interesting features that can entertain users and allow everyone to become creators because of its simplicity and ease.

**Key Word:** TikTok, Speaking Skill, Learning medium.