

## ABSTRACT

**Fadila Afrisya 2023.** *“An Analysis of Students’ Speaking Anxiety at The Second Grade of SMPN 4 Palopo. (A Qualitative Research)”*. A thesis of English Language Education Study Program of Tarbiyah and Teacher Training Faculty State Islamic Institute IAIN) of Palopo. Supervised by Magfirah Thayyib as the first consultant and Ermawati as the second consultant.

The objective of this research to find out the factors that causing students anxiety in speaking English and the types of students’ anxiety in speaking English at the second grade students’ of SMP Negeri 4 Palopo. This research used descriptive-qualitative method and applied purposive sampling respondents consisted of 32 students who experienced anxiety in 8A class of SMP Negeri 4 Palopo. The data gathered through observation checklist, open-ended questionnaire, and interview. The results of this research showed that there are 4 factors that causing students’ anxiety in speaking English. The most factor that domina is fear of making mistakes, following by lack of vocabulary, lack of confidence and classmates. And researcher also find out 3 types of anxiety that the students experiencing in their speaking anxiety, the most type is communication apprehension, following by test anxiety and fear of negative evaluation.

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