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CHAPTER I

INTRODUCTION

A. Background of the Problems

The role of language in this world is very important and very influential in human development, there are many languages used throughout the world, for example English which is one of the international languages or the language used in international communication. Language is a very important means of spiritual connection in living together. As a term in linguistics, language is defined as a system of changing sound symbols, which are used by members of a society to work together, interact and identify themselves. The opinion of this short paper about language was expressed by Canagarajah & De Costa (2016: 3)

As previously discussed, English is an international language and has been widely used by many people in the world. The largest number of English users is in several large countries such as America and the birthplace of this language is Great Britain. According to Karimah Tauhid (2022: 353) English is a universal language because it is used by most countries in the world as the main language. Apart from that, English is an international language that is important to master or learn. Some countries apply English as a second language that must be mastered, after their country's mother tongue.

In language learning we know that it cannot be separated from linguistics and society, Linguistics is the scientific and systematic study of human language. Linguistics analyzes it as a system for connecting form, meaning, and context and time Vita Lossi et al (2023: 2) there is also a science that studies language by involving society (sociolinguistics). In her book, Maria Georgieva (2014: 4) argues that sociolinguistics explores language in its relationship with society. That is, this is related to the language used for communication between different social groups in different social group situations and in sociolinguistics there is also slang or slang that follows the times or is seasonal. Slang is usually expressed in informal language, and is usually used in everyday language with close relatives, family, friends or certain groups. In this case the language used is also influenced. Slang is a variety of informal language that is usually used to communicate more easily and instantly in social groups, this opinion was expressed by Wahyu Trimastuti (2017: 64) in his journal. There are several types of slang that writers can use, namely fresh and creative, clipping, imitative, flippant and acronym. This sentence explains that slang is used by a group of people as their identity and often eliminates the rules of formal language because it is unique and free from formal language in general.

Novel is a literary work which can be fiction based on the author's work, his imagination or it can also be a true story based on the author's real experience. Currently, novels exist not only as a means of conveying messages, but also as a form of expression. Novels are not only a means of conveying messages, but also a form of expression for a character. Novels based on real stories of

characters or authors are intended to provide stimulation and learning for readers. Finally, it is not only the message that the author gives to readers, but also the stimulation and learning from the character or author in question that provides inspiration, Audry (2022: 34).

In this case, the researcher choses the great Gatsby novel by F. Scoot Fiztgerald, an old novel published April 10, 1925 which is now one of the most popular pieces of literature in the world and has become an inspiration for many writers in the world. The reason this analysis chose this novel is because it tells an interesting romantic adventure, set in the 90s. This story makes a unique impression on today's young generation, and while reading and watching the adaptation of this novel, this analysis found several English slang words that were interesting to research. Of course, this will be a challenge in itself to find and understand the elements of the word slang in the novel. Therefore, researchers are interested in making a research proposal with this title "Exploration the Use of Slang Words in "The Great Gatsby" Novel Written by F. Scott Fitzgerald".

B. Identification of the Problems

There are two main types of research in the field of Education, namely: descriptive and experimental. The general questions that will be answered in descriptive research are: what, how, or why something happens Nasution (2021: 13). Based on the background presented in the research, the following two problems were identified:

- The analyze of the use of slang word in the novel is not classified, identified and categorized based on type
- 2. There is no word clear data regarding to the type of slang word
- 3. Lack of understanding the meaning of functions used by the characters
- 4. The meaning of each slang words in the the great Gatsby novel by F. Scoot Fiztgerald is not clear yet
- Readers still do not know the meaning of the slang word used in the novelThe Great Gatsby

C. Limitation of the Problem

Based on the problem identification above, Researcher will limit this research to only analyzing, categorized based on type and also what is the meaning of each slang word in The Great Gatsby Novel Written by F. Scott Fitzgerald"

D. Research Questions

Based on the limitation of the problem above, the researcher can formulate the questions of research as a follow:

- 1. What kind of slang word that could be found and categorized in the great Gatsby novel?
- 2. What is the meaning of each slang word in the Great Gatsby novel?

E. Purpose of the Research

The purpose of this research is to find out what kind of slang word is used and its meaning in "The Great Gatsby" Novel Written by F. Scott Fitzgerald"

F. Significances of the Research

Based on the purpose of the research, the significances of the research can be stated as follow:

1. For Reader

This research could tell a reader about several slang word and each means which very useful for increasing the knowledge.

2. For Researcher

The benefits of this research for researchers can contribute adding new knowledge, informing theories, and new perspectives.

3. For Institution

Supports academic programs by providing insights into slang word studies and enriching literary and linguistic education.

G. Definition of the Key Terms

a. Definition of Slang word

According to Habibiloyevna (2021: 83) Slang is a kind of use of words that are not standard in a language and sometimes the creation of new words derived from other languages. From this it can be concluded that slang is a word created by a group of people using their habits and using their own language and culture and is usually not a formal word.

b. Definition of novel

According to Tarigan (in Pradanti et al. 2022: 2), a novel is a story that has a long plot in a book which is an imaginative story in the lives of the characters in the story. The elements that build a novel consist of two conventional elements, namely intrinsic elements and extrinsic elements.

c. The Great Gatsby Novel

Argopuro (2025: 2) state that The Great Gatsby novel F. Scott Fitzgerald's work is one of the works of American literature that remains relevant throughout time. Published in 1925, the novel depicts American life during the Jazz Age, a period marked by luxury, social change, and a clash between traditional moral values and modern materialism.

CHAPTER II

REVIEW OF THE RELATED LITERATURE

A. Review of the Related Theories

1. Definition of Slang Words

According to research conducted by Guzel et all (2017: 75), slang word is a type of speech variety. Speech variety, or language variety, refers to any distinguishable form of speech used by a speaker or group of speakers. This means that slang is informal language used by speakers or social groups or certain associations for internal communication so that it is not easy to understand.

Immelia et all (2022: 1) adds that there are two types of language; formal and informal language. Slang is a type of informal language consisting of words or phrases used by the younger generation to show that they are members of a particular community. This means that it further strengthens the opinion above which explains that slang is an informal word that is usually used by certain associations or groups.

The formation of slang can vary depending on the environment, language style and a person's daily life, as well as several other factors that support the formation of a new language style. Slang is a characteristic of the oral and informal side of human interaction, and slang words are limited to their social status, culture and geographical distribution. Changes in human life over time have also greatly influenced the use of new and

innovative languages which can influence the linguistics of the language itself. Sufi et all (2021:1).

Slang words appear because there is a style or influence from the speaker's environment that gives rise to slang. Slang can appear in many languages anywhere in the world and the use of slang is one of the language variations in communicating Joko and Pradana (2023: 31).

From these definitions, the author realizes that each linguist has a different view regarding the meaning of slang. However, the author can assume that slang is informal language used by people at every level of life, so it tends to be concluded that slang is non-formal or casual language that is communicated in a language that quickly changes the vocabulary and slang that is created. used. by individuals, especially the younger generation in a particular association. And the formation of slang can be influenced by several factors in everyday life, for example there are socio-cultural factors, the environment and the language commonly used in life, which of course with the factors above will allow the creation of slang or new slang. slang words.

2. Kinds of Slang Words

Based on Nadiyah and Irwin (2024: 381) There are 5 types of slang, namely:

a. Fresh and Creative

Based on Nadiyah and Irwin (2024: 381) the characteristics of Fresh and Creative slang are that the slang has new vocabulary, here are some examples:

- a) Fresh: American slang means something nice, attractive, or stylish
- Slay Used to describe someone who does something extremely well or extraordinarily
- c) Big deal: American slang meaning something interesting is going to happen

b. Imitative

Based on Nadiyah and Irwin (2024: 381) characteristics of imitative slang means words that come from copying English words in a different meaning, usually referring to words or phrases that imitate sounds or actions, for example:

- a) Wanna: comes from the expression "want to"
- b) Gotta: comes from the expression "going to"
- c) Ain't: comes from the expression "am not"

c. Flippant

Based on Nadiyah and Irwin (2024: 381), flippant is a type of slang used to refer to impolite behavior, often characterized by a lack of seriousness or consideration when speaking. As an example:

- a) Holy shit: is an expression of someone's surprise, combining the words "holy" and "shit" which create different meanings.
- b) Ghosting: used for people who cut off communication without any explanation
- c) Spill the tea: usually used to ask someone to spread certain gossip.

d. Clipping

Based on Nadiyah and Irwin (2024: 381), clipping is a slang characteristic where several words have been deleted but still have the same meaning as the original word, for example:

- a) Phone: shortened from word "telephone"
- b) Photo: shortened from word "photograph"
- c) Flu: shortened from word "influenza"

e. Acronym

Based on Nadiyah et all (2024: 381), characteristic of slang Acronyms are formed from the beginning of each word in a phrase or made from a group of words or syllables and pronounced as a new word, for example:

- a) LOL: an abbreviation of the word "laugh out loud"
- b) ATM: an abbreviation of the word "automated teller machine"
- $c) \ \ \textit{FYI: an abbreviation of the word "for your information"}$

The researcher focuses only on three types, because after analysis, the author found that most of the slang in "The Great Gatsby" falls into the categories of fresh and creative slang, impudent slang, imitative

slang. This slang reflects the luxurious lifestyle, nonchalant attitude and spirit of the Jazz era.

3. Function of Slang words

The function of slang according to Patride (in Martinus 2018:61):

- a) Used for joking: Slang can be used to create humor, add a playful tone,
 and make conversations lighter.
- b) Be different from other people: Slang allows individuals to express their individuality and differentiate themselves from the mainstream.
- c) For beauty: Although subjective, some people may find certain slang terms enjoyable or evocative.
- d) Attract attention: Using unique or unusual slang can make someone stand out and draw attention to themselves.
- e) Avoid clichés: Slang can offer fresh and original ways to express ideas, avoiding the use of redundant and predictable phrases.
- f) Shorten: Slang often provides a shorter and more efficient way to express ideas.
- g) To enrich the language: Slang adds vitality and color to the language, making it more dynamic and interesting.
- h) To condense and provide a concrete picture: Some slang expressions can clearly and concisely describe complex situations or emotions.
- Speaking and writing: Slang is an integral part of everyday conversation and writing, influencing the way we communicate.

- j) To facilitate social relations: Slang can foster a sense of belonging and connectedness in a group.
- k) For friendliness and intimacy: Slang can create a more relaxed and informal conversation atmosphere.
- To indicate group members: Slang can act as a marker of group identity, helping to differentiate members of a particular group from others.
- m) To show group differences: Slang can differentiate one group from another, giving rise to a sense of exclusivity.
- n) For confidentiality: Slang can be used to communicate in a way that is not easily understood by outsiders.

From this we can conclude that there are many functions of slang and its meaning can depend on who uses it and where it is used, because the use of slang in a group is commonplace and can vary according to where they live.

4. Defintion of Novel

One of the literary works that has many similarities with the facts that exist in the real world is the novel. According to Harun et all (2022: 467), the content of a novel can certainly be inspired by the real world dreamed of by the author. The experiences and environment that occur around the author are a source of inspiration in writing the creative process of making a novel. The author processes social reality in a work of fiction. The novel is identified as a literary or fictional work that presents a story about an event and a setting that is arranged carefully and coherently. The content of the

novel has a beautiful and useful function so that the novel is not only artistic but also artistically finds human values.

5. Characteristics of Novel

According to Nuraeni et al (2024:331), novels have their own characteristics compared to other literary works, for example in terms of the number of words or sentences that exceed 35,0000 words, novels have a larger space, are more detailed and detailed, the shortest time used to read a novel is at least 2 hours, and novels have a minimum of 100 pages.

According to Nuraeni et al (2024:331), there are two elements that build a novel, namely intrinsic elements and extrinsic elements. Intrinsic elements such as the plot or plot of the story, characters or characterization, theme, setting, atmosphere of the story, and point of view of the story. While extrinsic elements are elements that come from outside the literary work that influence a literary work such as the author's biography, the author's psychology, the state of society around the author, and others, which help build the story.

6. The Great Gatsby Novel Written by F. Scott Fitzgerald

According to Nurjanah (2021: 2), The Great Gatsby is F. Scott Fitzgerald's most famous work published on April 10,1925. This novel only became famous after Fitzgerald died. The Great Gatsby made Fitzgerald one of the best American novelists of all time. This novel is told by Nick Carraway who is the narrator. The main conflict in this novel is Gatsby's way of getting his wealth, pursuing love, and taking revenge.

The Great Gatsby novel tells the tragic romance story of Gatsby with Nick Carraway as the third person and narrator of the story. This novel presents a classic nuance of the 19th century and still shows the golden age of America which gives a luxurious impression like Americans at that time.

7. Synopsis of The Great Gatsby Novel

The Great Gatsby is set on Long Island, New York, in the summer of 1922, an era of luxury and decadence known as the Jazz Age. The story is narrated by Nick Carraway, a young Midwesterner who moves to West Egg, a newly wealthy area filled with the nouveau riche. Nick's neighbor is Jay Gatsby, a mysterious millionaire known for his lavish parties every weekend. Nick soon learns that Gatsby throws these parties in hopes of impressing Daisy Buchanan, Nick's cousin who lives across the bay in East Egg, a neighborhood of the old elite. Daisy is married to Tom Buchanan, a wealthy and powerful but abusive man who philanders.

Nick eventually brokers a reunion between Gatsby and Daisy after years of separation. Gatsby, who has built his fortune around reuniting with Daisy, tries hard to undo the past and convince Daisy to leave Tom. As time passes, Gatsby's mysterious past is revealed, including the questionable source of his wealth and his connections to the criminal underworld. Tensions rise as Gatsby confronts Tom, who reveals the truth about Gatsby's wealth and shatters Daisy's illusions about the past. Tragedy inevitably ensues when Daisy accidentally hits Myrtle Wilson, Tom's mistress, with Gatsby's car. Gatsby takes the blame to protect Daisy. However, Myrtle's

devastated and misunderstood husband, George Wilson, later seeks out and kills Gatsby before committing suicide.

In the end, Gatsby, who had pursued his dreams so tenaciously, dies alone and without many people to care for him. Nick, who witnessed Gatsby's ambition, love, and tragedy, reflects on the distorted American Dream and the moral failures of the society of his time. He realizes that Gatsby, despite his shortcomings, had a genuine vision and hope, even though he ultimately fell victim to his past and the cruelties of the rich.

B. Review of Related Findings

Several studies have explored the analysis of slang words, providing valuable insight into an ever-evolving aspect of the language. The following are details of three relevant studies: Analysis of Slang Words on Twitter: Gender Perspective (Riau Islamic University Repository, 2022) by Siti Swita Chairiyah. This research investigates the use of slang words on Twitter, with a focus on potential gender variations. Chairiyah examines how men and women may differ in their use of slang. Although this research acknowledges the difficulty in defining slang with certainty, it explores how slang functions in online communication, particularly on platforms such as Twitter. Understanding gendered use of slang can open the door to exploring social dynamics and group identities in online communities.

The second study is entitled Analysis of English Slang Words Used by Cinta Laura on Instagram (Raden Intan Repository, 2022) by Mahera Ayu Al Hafidh. Hafidh's study specifically analyzes the use of English slang words by

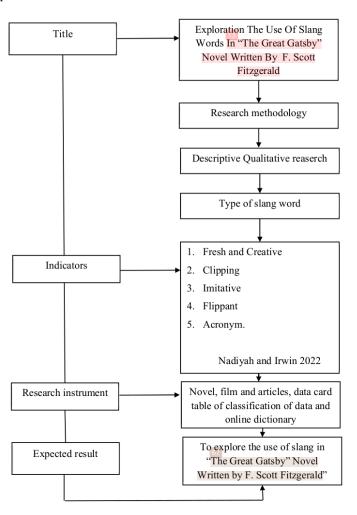
Indonesian celebrity Cinta Laura on her Instagram account. This research identifies the various slang terms used by Laura and explores the potential reasons behind her choices. This analysis can contribute to the understanding of how celebrities influence language trends, especially among their fans and followers. This may also highlight the growing influence of social media platforms in shaping the use of slang.

And the last one is entitled An Analysis of Slang Terms In The "Deadpool" Movie (Hafni Ayu Dewi Manurung and friends, 2020). This research aims to investigate the types of slang and find out the function of the slang used in the film "Deadpool". The research results show that there are 5 types of slang used in the film "Deadpool". They are fresh and creative, brash, imitative, acronymic and clipped. Imitative words dominate the types of slang words used in the Deadpool film. The function of slang that has the highest frequency found in this film is to embarrass.

All the studies mentioned, including the study "Exploring the Use of Slang Words in The Great Gatsby written by f. Scott Fiztgerald," has almost the same common thread, namely the analysis of slang in a particular context. Chairiyah's work examines slang on Twitter through a gender lens, while Al Hafidh focuses on the slang used by a celebrity on Instagram, exploring its potential impact on her followers. The study of the film "Deadpool" analyzes slang in certain films, categorizes its types, and explores its function. Likewise, this research investigates slang in the specific literary context of a novel entitled The Great Gatsby. Therefore, each study recognizes the importance of context

in understanding slang, realizing that its meaning and function may vary depending on the platform (Twitter, Instagram, film, novel), speaker or writer (everyday users, celebrities, fictional characters), and the intended audience. Although the specific slang terms and research questions may differ, all of this research contributes to a broader understanding of how slang functions in communication and its role in shaping social dynamics, identity, and even literary characterization.

C. Conceptual Framework



Based on the conceptual framework above, the researcher explains that the title of this research is Exploration of the Use of Slang Words in the Novel "The Great Gatsby" by F. Scott Fitzgerald. This research uses a descriptive research design. The research was conducted using an instrument in the form of a questionnaire. The results of this research are to find out the slang words in the novel and find out their meaning.

CHAPTER III

RESEARCH METHODOLOGY

In this chapter the researcher explains several things related to this research. Namely research design, time and location, data sample, research procedures, research instruments, data collection technique, and data analysis technique.

A. Research Design

The researcher use descriptive as research design and qualitative as approach. As stated by Fiantika et al., (2022: 2), qualitative research is a type of research that does not use statistics in its findings and emphasizes how the researcher understand and then interpret data, interactions and subject behavior in certain situations according to it. Therefore, the researcher believes that the qualitative descriptive method is very suitable. Because, in this research the researcher will identify slang words and then interpret them.

Apart from that, Masyati et al., (2022: 3), also emphasize that descriptive qualitative research aims to describe, depict, explain, explain and answer in more detail the problems you want to research by studying individuals, groups or events as closely as possible. Where the research results are expressed in the form of words or statements that correspond to the actual situation. The researcher understands the meaning that in this research a quantitative approach is not suitable because it cannot answer the research questions. This shows that

a qualitative approach is more appropriate for capturing the meaning of slang words, which cannot be captured with quantitative data analysis.

B. Location and Time

This research will be carried out in several locations, including the Indragiri Hilir Regency Regional Library and the UNISI Tembilahan Library. This decision was taken by considering the research focus on theories aimed at interpreting data. Apart from that, the researcher's residence will also be used as a research location, because researchers can access various data sources from the internet such as Google Books, Google Scholar, and Adobe to read novels and books in digital format. This research was conducted on a novel entitled Great Gatsby. Held on January 20, 2025.

C. Data Sample

In this research, researcher use the The Great Gatsby novel as the research object. As explained by Abdussamad (2022: 79), it refers to a group of subjects or objects that are included in the research topic area and meet certain criteria regarding the individuals who are the focus of the research unit or analysis being studied. Therefore, it can be concluded that all aspects of the novel such as characters, themes, settings, plot, personality types, slang, descriptions of character backgrounds, important scenes, or leadership are a collection of samples that form the population.

According to Abdussamad (2022: 129), "the sample in research is a small portion of the population members selected through certain procedures to

represent the population in a representative manner." In this research, the researcher chose one element of the novel, namely slang words, then chose three types of slang words, namely (1) fresh and creative slang, (2) flippant slang, (3) imitative slang.

D. Research Procedure

In this research, the researcher believes that this part should not be taken lightly, so they must look for theories that discuss research procedures in order to obtain more optimal results. Based on Sukardi et al (2021: 204), the steps in the qualitative descriptive research process are as follows:

- a) Identify significant problems to be solved through qualitative descriptive methods
- b) Limit and formulate problems clearly
- c) Determine the objectives and benefits of research
- d) Conduct literature studies related to these problems
- e) Determine the framework of thinking and research questions
- f) Designing research methods to be used, including determining population, sample, sampling techniques, determining data collection instruments, data analysis and data interpretation.
- g) Collect, organize and analyze data using relevant qualitative research techniques
- h) Create research reports.

E. Research Instrument

Apart from using scientific sources such as novel, film and articles sourced from journals, online dictionary, table of classification data, data card and the researcher themselves are one of the instruments used in research.

F. Data Collection Techniques

Lestari (2022: 179) states that "The data collection technique used in research like this is by reading, marking and classifying data related to the research object." Therefore, researchers used the following steps:

- a) Reading comprehension involves recording directly from the novel to the data card without making any changes.
- b) Interpreting language use based on a stylistic approach.
- c) Explain the data obtained from the steps above.

G. Data Analysis Techniques

In this research the author uses analytical techniques, content analysis techniques according to the opinion of Lestari, et al (2022: 4), is a method in qualitative research that is used to systematically analyze text, images or other media with the aim of exploring the meaning, patterns, themes or social structures contained therein. From the opinion above, the author believes that the use of content analysis techniques can be used to analyze image text or other media, in this case related to the research that the author made with several steps which the author has adapted to the opinion above, namely as follows:

- a) Reading and describing texts, where the author reads the novel and describes
 the slang he finds
- b) Categorize the words obtained, then categorize the slang obtained according to the type of slang used.
- c) Analyze and interpret the data, and in the final stage the author looks for deeper meanings from the slang that has been obtained, so that the data can be used to answer research questions.

CHAPTER IV

DATA PRESENTATATION AND RESEACH FINDINGS

In this chapter, all the findings of the research on slang words found in *The Great Gatsby* the novel are presented and of course adjusted to the theory of Nadiyah (2024), namely fresh and creative, clipping, imitative, flippant and acronym. And in this part divided into two parts, namely the first part of the data presentation and the second part of the research results. The first part presents a descriptive analysis which includes the results of the analysis of *The Great Gatsby* novel, the second part presents the results of the research.

A. Data Presentation

In analyzing this data, researcher used techniques from Lestari (2022) including reading and explaining, where the author is required to read and describe the slang language obtained, then categorize the words obtained according to the type of slang used, the final stage the author seeks a deeper meaning from the slang language that has been obtained, so that the data can be used to answer research questions.

The slang words in the novel are of course classified based on the type and use in the dialogue in the novel, there are 80 slang words and are identified based on 5 types, namely: fresh and creative, clipping, imitative, flippant and Acronym. Here are the details.

Table VI.I. Data Presentations in The Great Gatsby Novel

No	Type of slang	Frequency
1	Fresh and creative	25
2	Clipping	18
3	Imitative	10
4	Flippant	27
5	Acronym	0
Total		80

From table above, various types of slang are found that are the focus of the researcher, including fresh and creative slang, namely 31.25%, clipping 22.50%, imitative 12.50%, flippant 33.75%, acronomy 0%, And from this calculation it can be seen that flippant slang is the most dominant type of slang and is followed by f fresh and creative and clipping.

a. Fresh and Creative

The characteristics of Fresh and Creative slang are the types whose slang has a new vocabulary, clever imagination, informal variations and can be current words or even old words that people don't know yet (nadiyah, 2022).

Table VI.II. Fresh and creative

No.	Source Data	Slang Words	Meaning
1.	"Ed Legros and	Rot-gut	Refers to low quality alcoholic beverages,
	James B. <u>("Rot-</u>		slang, "Rot-Gut" is used as a nickname for
	Gut.") Ferret and		someone named James B. Parret ("James B.
	the De Jongs and		("rot-gut") Parret") is a slang term referring
	Ernest Lilly."		to an alcoholic beverage that is of low
			quality, dangerous, or even unpleasant to
	Page 51, Line 20		drink. Its use as a nickname and to indicate
			the person's reputation is a common slang
			term used by the upper class at that time,
			precisely in the 1920s in the novel The Great
			Gatsby

2.	"I'm the <u>Sheik</u> of	Sheik	Means Leader or chieftain, Used in the lyrics
	Arabi"		of the song "I'm the Sheik of
			Araby."Although "sheik" (or "sheikh") is an
	Page 65, Line 13		Arabic word meaning leader or chieftain, the
			popularity of the song and its use in an exotic
			romantic context in the 1920s may have
			given it the feel of popular slang or cultural
			term of the time. It refers to the romanticized
			image of the mysterious and attractive Arab
			man.
3.	"I liked that man —	Blue nose	Means a stiff person, in "blue nose" slang,
	what was his name?		Daisy is used to refer to a man, which
	— with the sort of		historically refers to a very strict, moralistic,
	<u>blue nose</u> ."		or puritanical person, especially when it
			comes to alcohol. In Gatsby's lavish parties,
	Page 89, Line 20		this slang is often used by upper-class
			women.
4.	"Do you mind if I eat	Funny stuff	Referring to something funny or
	with some people		inappropriate, in slang, the phrase "funny
	over here?" he said.		stuff' is used by Tom to refer to something
	"A fellow's getting		someone says. The phrase informally refers

	off some <u>funny</u>		to things that are funny, odd, or
	stuff."		inappropriate, and in this context is used for
			something that is funny but not serious.
	Page 89, Line 32		
5.	"It's a swell suite,"	Swell	Means very good or great, in slang, the word
	whispered Jordan		"swell" is used by Jordan and this word was
	respectfully, "		very popular in the 1920s meaning "very
	Page 107, Line 5		good" "great" or "fantastic" and this is one
			of the classic examples of slang from that
			era.
6.	"You make it ten	Crabbing	Means complaining or grumbling, In the
	times worse by		slang "crabbing" used by Tom, the word
	crabbing about it."		uttered by Tom means complaining or
			grumbling about something in accordance
	Page 107, Line 12		with Tom's state of being upset because of
			Gatsby's actions in the novel.
7.	"He's a <u>bootlegger</u> ,"	Bootlegger	Means a person who makes, transports and
	said the young		sells alcohol, in slang, the word
	ladies"		"Bootlegger" is used by young women to
			refer to Gatsby as someone who sells,
	Page 50, Line 4		transports, and buys alcoholic beverages
			illegally.

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8.	just as Tom came	Gin rickeys	Means cocktail made from gin, orange juice
	back, preceding four		and soda water, in slang, the term "Gin
	gin rickeys that		rickeys" is used to refer to the drink that Tom
	clicked full of ice.		brought. "Gin rickeys" is the name of a
			cocktail made of gin, lime juice, and soda
	Page 99, Line 14		water, where the consumption of this
			cocktail is often done secretly and is used as
			slang as a code.
9.	"I found out what	Drug-store	Means illegal alcohol sales, in slang, "Drug-
	your 'drug-stores'		store" although literally means "drug store"
	were."		but in this context refers to Gatsby's business
			(illegal alcohol sales) which is Gatsby's side
	Page 113, Line 19		business.
10.	"He came to us <u>dead</u>	Dead broke	Means bankrupt, in slang, "Dead broke"
	<u>broke</u> ."		means "very broke" or "very poor" and this
			word also emphasizes a very extreme
	Page 113, Line 29		situation.
11.	—" she ran out there	Knock right into her	Means harsh direct impact, in slang, "Knock
	an' the one comin'		right into her" although "knock right" is not
	from N'york knock		pure slang, the addition of "right" makes it
	right into her,"		slang in the context of a car accident, which
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	Page 118, Line 26		means emphasizing the direct impact of the
			accident very strongly.
12.	I saw the wad of	Wad of muscle	Means large or taut muscles, In the slang
	muscle back of his		"Wad of muscle" the word "wad" usually
	shoulder tighten		refers to a lump of something, and its use
	under his coat.		here is to informally describe or describe a
			toned muscle mass and emphasize its size.
	Page 119, Line 10		
13.	that made it look as	Sharper	Mean a clever con artist, in "Sharper" slang,
	if I was some kind of		the term sharper in this era refers to a person
	cheap sharper		who is an expert at cheating or lie, especially
			in business or card games.
	Page 129, Line 24		
14.	"They're a <u>rotten</u>	Rotten crowd	Means an immoral person, in this slang,
	crowd,"		"Rotten crowd" is used by the author to refer
			to people who are immoral, evil, or
	Page 131, Line 19		worthless.
15.	I cannot come down	Tied up	Means very busy person, in this slang, "Tied
13.	1 cannot come down	Tied up	ivicans very ousy person, in this stang, Trea
	now as <i>I am tied up</i>		Up" is a phrase that means to be so busy or
	in some very		unavailable that we cannot attend an event
	important business		because of other commitments or business.
	and cannot get		Used by Meyer Wolfshiem.

	mixed up in this		
	thing now.		
	Page 141, Line 20		
16.	I hardly know where	Knocked down and	Means a very shocked or helpless person, in
	I am when I hear	out	slang this "Knocked down and out" meaning
	about a thing like		shocked, hit or emotionally helpless, is used
	this and am		by Mayer Wolfshiem
	completely knocked		
	down and out.		
	Page 141, Line 24		
17.	They got a circular	Giving 'em the	Means giving secret information or codes, in
	from New York	numbers	this slang "Giving 'em the numbers" in this
	giving 'em the		context the whole slang word refers to
	numbers just five		giving information or secret codes (serial
	minutes before.		numbers) to authorities.
	Page 142, Line 12		
18.	He was so <u>hard up</u>	Hard up	Means a poor or in dire need of money, in
	he had to keep on		this slang, "Hard up", this phrase is slang

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	wearing his uniform		meaning in dire need of money, in financial
	because he couldn't		trouble, or poor.
	buy some regular		
	clothes.		
	Page 146., Line 5		
19.	. First time I saw him	Pool room	Means a place of entertainment, In this
	was when he come		slang, "poolroom" although now has
	into Winebrenner's		become a common term, but at that time
	poolroom at Forty-		"poolroom" was often used to refer to a
	third Street and		place of entertainment that might have
	asked for a job.		negative connotations such as a gambling
			place or a drinking place. Used by Meyer
	Page 146, Line 7		Wolfshiem
20.	"I raised him up out	Gutter	Referring to extreme poverty, in this slang,
	of nothing, right out		"Gutter" in this context refers to conditions
	of the gutter"		of extreme poverty, social degradation, or a
			very bad street life.
	Page 146, Line 14		
21.	"We were so thick	Thick	Means a very close or intimate, in slang,
	like that in		"thick" means very close or intimate. It is
	everything."		often used to describe a strong bond of

			friendship or partnership, where people
	Page 146, Line 19		support each other and spend time together.
22.	"What if I did tell	Had it come to him	Means a victim, in this slang, "Had it come
	him? That <u>fellow</u>		to him" is used by tom to mean that someone
	had it coming to		deserved what happened to him, usually
	<u>him</u> "		something bad, as a result of his actions.
			This phrase shows an attitude of no remorse
	Page 153, Line 6		and a belief that the victim is responsible for
			his fate.
23.	I think he'd tanked	Tanked up	Means a drinking a lot of alcohol or getting
	<u>ир</u> a good deal at	-	drunk, in this slang, "Tanked up" is an
	luncheon,		informal term meaning "to drink a lot of
			alcohol" or "to be drunk." While it may not
	Page 20, Line 13		be considered "hard" slang, the informal use
			and reference to being drunk make it closer
			to the strong slang of the time.
24.	I was on my way to	Roaring drunk	Means a desire to get very drunk, in this
	get <u>roaring</u> drunk		slang, "roaring drunk" is used by the
	from sheer		narrator to describe his desire to get very
	embarrassment		drunk because of shame. The words "roaring
	when Jordan Baker		drunk" are used here as an informal and
	came out		dramatic enhancer to describe the level of

			drunkenness. The use of "roaring drunk"
	Page 34, Line 31		with adjectives like "badly drunk" is a form
			of slang that emphasizes the situation in an
			informal way.
25.	"Highballs?" asked	High balls?	Means a question to order a drink in this
	the head waiter.		slang, "High balls?" is used by a waiter as a
			question to order a drink. A "highball" is a
	Page 58, Line 1		slang term for a mixed drink consisting of a
			strong drink (usually whiskey or brandy)
			and a larger non-alcoholic drink (such as
			soda water or ginger ale), served over ice in
			a tall glass.

Fresh and creative slang is a dynamic linguistic device that enriches literary texts by introducing linguistic innovations, cultural nuances, and original characters. In a dataset of 80 forms of slang analyzed from novels, its use plays a significant role in creating atmosphere, reflecting social identities, and strengthening narrative expression. For example, the use of original and creative slang such as "Sheik" (in the context of a popular song) or "Rot-gut" transforms a simple description of a character or phenomenon into a vivid and sometimes unexpected picture, allowing the reader to more accurately understand the informal atmosphere.

Similarly, expressions such as "hell note" or "waking up" demonstrate a new way of thinking or unique expression, combining standard language with the spontaneity of everyday conversation.

In addition to reproducing spoken language, fresh and creative slang often addresses the emotional and psychological states of characters in new and imaginative ways. Phrases like "roaring drunk" or "dead broke" convey strong feelings, such as being completely drunk or completely broke, through unusual but highly descriptive word combinations. These figurative expressions offer insight into the inner world of characters, conveying emotions such as anger, annoyance, and disbelief in new ways. The original and creative use of slang to express such deep feelings suggests that the author deliberately chose this linguistic method to heighten emotional resonance and invite readers to better understand the unique nuances of the characters and situations.

Finally, many of the original and creative slang forms in the dataset offer nuances that suggest personal identity, subculture, and innovative perspectives. Phrases such as the inventive use of the term "drugstore" to refer to an illegal business combine individual privilege with social context. These uses of slang do not simply beautify the language; they also create a sense of realism and genuine social privilege. In conclusion, these 80 original and creative slang forms not only enrich the dialogue and narrative, but also serve as a bridge between standard language and

inventive cultural expressions, allowing social concepts and emotions to seem more concrete and engaging to the reader.

b. Clipping

Clipping is a characteristic of slang where some words have been deleted but still have the same meaning as the original word. The deletion of some words in slang expressions is a form of using imagination and an effort to reach a certain point in communication (nadiyah, 2022).

Table VI.III. Clipping

No.	Source Data	Slang Words	Meaning
1.	" <u>'Gratulate me</u> ,"	'Gratulate me	"Gratulate me" is a clear example of a
	she muttered.		shortening of the phrase, "congratulate me" In
			English, shortening involves removing one or
	Page 63, line 23		more syllables from a word to form a shorter,
			more informal version.

			In this case, the prefix "con" has been
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			removed, thus becoming "gratulate." The use
			of an apostrophe (') at the beginning of a word
			indicates the absence of a letter and an
			informal or casual pronunciation. This
			phenomenon is common in everyday speech
			or slang, where efficiency and speed of
			delivery are more important than grammatical
			formality.
2.	"I suppose the	Yeah	" Yeah " is an example of a very common
	automobiles——"		word, an informal abbreviation for "yes." In
	" <u>Yeah</u> ."		everyday English, "yeah" is used more often
			than "yes" in informal conversations.
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			The use of "yes" indicates a more relaxed,
			friendly, or informal attitude than the more
			formal or polite "yes." It is often used to
			indicate agreement, confirmation, or
			understanding without requiring excessive
			emphasis. Despite its simplicity, its popularity
			reflects the speaker's desire to communicate

			more effectively and naturally in informal
			interactions.
3.	"Be <u>ver'</u> nice," said	Ver'	"Ver" is the informal form of "very." The use
	Mr. Sloane,		of an apostrophe (') indicates the omission of
			one letter, reflecting a fast and relaxed
	Page 87, line 7		pronunciation. It functions as an amplifier,
			providing a more relaxed feel to everyday
			conversations. For example, "It's very good"
			is the same as "It's very good", but in a more
			informal and colloquial style. This reflects
			spoken language fluency.
4.	" <u>Wha'</u> ?"	Wha'	"Wha" is an informal, shortened form of the
			word "What?" This is an example of how, in
	Page 90, line 13		quick, informal conversation, the endings of
			words can be dropped for better
			pronunciation.
			The use of the apostrophe (') in "Wha'?"
			clearly shows that the letter "t" has been
			dropped. This expression is often used to
			indicate confusion, misunderstanding, or a
			request for repetition, but in a more casual and

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			friendly tone than "What?" It reflects a
			relaxed and spontaneous style of speech.
5.	"We heard you	Doc	"Doc" is a very common abbreviation for the
	yelling, so I said to		word "Doctor." It begins with the ending of
	<u>Doc</u> Civet here:		the word (apheresis). Its use creates a more
			casual and familiar impression. Rather than
	Page 90, line 20		the formality of "Doctor," calling someone
			"Doc" indicates a closer or more informal
			relationship, often used by patients who
			interact frequently, friends, or even in military
			contexts. It is a convenient way to refer to a
			doctor without having to say the entire word.
6.	" <u>Nope</u> ." After a	Nope	"Nope" is a very common and informal form
	pause he added		of the word "no." This is another example of
			shortening to create a quicker and more
	Page 95, line 10		relaxed response. "Nope" often has a more
			casual, less formal, or more assertive or
			"blunt" tone than the more direct "nope." It is
			very common in everyday speech and is often
			used to indicate agreement or disagreement
			informally.

7.	"Instantly killed,"	Ins'antly	"Ins'antly" is a shortened form or informal
	repeated Tom,		pronunciation of the word "instantly." Here,
	staring.		the truncation occurs in the middle of the word
			(syncope) by dropping the letters "t" and "a"
	Page 118, line 19		(or simply "t" followed by a vowel change),
			indicated by an apostrophe. This shortening
			reflects the way "instantly" is often spoken
			quickly in conversation, where several sounds
			can be absorbed or combined. This creates a
			more relaxed impression and phonetic
			representation of spontaneous spoken
			language.
8.	said Michaelis "one	Comin'	"Comin" is a shortened form or informal
	comin', one goin',		pronunciation of the word "coming." This is
	see?"		an example of truncation that occurs at the end
			of a word (apocope), where the "g" in the
	Page 118, line 22		suffix "-ing" is dropped and replaced with an
			apostrophe. This phenomenon is very
			common in colloquial or slang dialects,
			especially in the United States, for verbs that
			end in "-ing." This makes for a faster, more

			relaxed pronunciation, reflecting looser
			articulation.
9.	said Michaelis "one	Goin'	Like "comin'," "goin" is a shortened or
	comin', one goin',		informal pronunciation of "going." It is also
	see?"		an example of apocope, with the "g" dropped
			from the "-ing" ending. Its use indicates a very
			casual and informal style of speech, common
	Page 118, line 26		in dialogue and writing, that attempts to
			imitate spontaneous spoken language and
			ignores the rules of formal grammar.
10.	" she ran out there	N'york	"N'york" is an interesting example of phonetic
	an' the one comin'		truncation, or an informal pronunciation of
	from <u>N'york</u> knock		"New York." It not only omits parts of the
	right into her"		word, but also changes the pronunciation of
			certain sounds to make it faster and more
	Page 118, line 26		dialectal. The "e" and "w" in "New" are
			dropped or quickly merged in "York,"
			resulting in a more condensed sound. Its use
			often serves to indicate familiarity with the
			city or to indicate a particular conversational
			identity

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11.	"No, but the car	Faster'n	"Faster'n" is a shortened or informal
	passed me down the		pronunciation of the phrase "faster than."
	road, going faster'n		Here, the "than" is condensed into an 'n', and
	forty"		attached directly to the previous word. This is
			an example where the entire word is dropped
	Page 119, line 1		or reduced to a single sound that is absorbed
			into another word, reflecting the speed of
			speech and verbal efficiency. It gives the
			impression of a very natural and informal
			dialogue.
12.	They got a circular	'em	"'Em" is a very common and old truncated
	from New York		form of the word "they." The use of an
	giving <u>'em</u> the		apostrophe at the beginning indicates that the
	numbers just five		'th' has been dropped (apheresis). "'Em" is
	minutes before.		almost exclusively found in spoken or written
			language that imitates spoken dialogue. It is a
	Page 142, line 12		very efficient and casual way to refer to a
			group of people or things without having to
			say the whole word "they", making it part of
			slang.

13.	"most of these <u>fellas</u>	Fellas	"Fellas" is a shortened or truncated form of the
	will cheat you every		word "fellows". The 'ws' ending is often
	time"		dropped in informal speech. This is a very
			common and casual form of speech, often
	Page 25, line 26		used among groups of men to indicate
			introduction or friendship. It is more casual
			and less formal than "gentlemen" or
			"fellows", and often carries a mildly friendly
			connotation.
14.	I got to write down a	Got to	"Got to" is an informal contraction of the
	list so I won't forget		phrase "had to" or "had to," which means
	all the things I got to		"must" or "must." While not a one-word
	do."		contraction, it is a very common contraction
			in which the "have" or "have to" is dropped
	Page 30, line 21		entirely and "got" becomes the compact unit
			of meaning. In everyday speech, "got to"
			(often pronounced "got to") is more common
			than its formal form, which casually indicates
			a need or obligation.
15.	"Did we <u>run outa</u>	Run uota gas	In this phrase, "Run uota gas" is an informal
	gas?"		contraction or abbreviation of "out of gas,"
			and "gas" is a common contraction or

	Page 45, line 25		abbreviation of "petrol." This combination is
			very common in everyday speech to describe
			a vehicle that has run out of gas. Both
			contractions indicate the speaker's preference
			for efficiency and speed in casual
			communication, reflecting the way people
			naturally speak.
16.	"Wonder'ff tell me	Gas'line station	This phrase contains an element of clipping
	where there's a		("gas'" for "gasoline") as an informal term for
	gas'line station?"		"gasoline station." Similar to "gas" in the
			previous point, this shortening is used to refer
	Page 46, line 3		to fuel or a gas station more concisely. The use
			of an apostrophe indicates the intentional
			omission of letters to create a casual,
			colloquial feel.
17.	A <u>caddy</u> retracted his	Caddy	"Caddy" is a shortened form of the word
	statement,		"caddie," which refers to the person who
			carries a player's golf clubs around the course.
	Page 48, line 11		This abbreviation is very common and has
			been accepted as a variant of the original
			word. This illustrates how the term "cut" can
			become established in the informal

			vocabulary, indicating a certain familiarity
			with golf-related terms.
18.	"What you want,	Fella	"Fella" is an informal or shortened form of the
	<u>fella?"</u>		word "fellow." It is a very common
			abbreviation in spoken English, especially in
	Page 117, line 12		the United States, to refer to a man or boy.
			The use of "fella" has a more relaxed, familiar,
			and casual feel than "fellow," which can
			sometimes sound more formal or old-
			fashioned. "Fella" is often used as a friendly
			greeting, for example, "How are you, Fella?"
			or to refer to someone casually, such as "He's
			a good fella" It indicates a certain level of
			familiarity or familiarity in the conversation.

Slang clipping are dynamic linguistic devices that enrich literary texts by bringing efficiency to language and authenticity to dialogue. In many novels, their use plays an important role in creating the atmosphere of everyday conversation, reflecting social identities, and enriching character expression. For example, the use of slang abbreviations such as "yeah" (from "yes") or "doc" (from "doctor") transforms formal

responses into more direct and intimate interactions, allowing the reader to more accurately sense the dynamics of spoken conversation. Similarly, short forms such as "goin'" (from "going") or "caddy" (from "caddie") illustrate a relaxed and natural speech pattern, connecting formal language with the spontaneous speech we often hear.

In addition to simply reproducing spoken language, slang clipping often involve depictions of unique speech styles and characters. Phrases such as "fella" (from "fellow") or "nope" (from "no") summarize simple responses and greetings, reflecting the character's direct or casual attitude, which is sometimes difficult to express in full words. These linguistic expressions reveal the character's inner world, conveying their quick wit or desire for effective communication. The use of slang fragments to express this depth of speech style suggests that the author deliberately chooses this form of language to enhance the realism of the dialogue and allow the reader to better understand the character's speech habits.

Finally, many short slang forms in the text offer nuances that reflect the social context and pace of life. Expressions such as "N'york" (from "New York") for a place or "run outa gas" (from "out of gas") for a situation combine specific references with concise formulations. The use of these slangs not only beautifies the language; they also create a lively and dynamic atmosphere, reflecting the rhythm of everyday

conversation. In conclusion, short slangs not only enrich the dialogue and narrative, but also serve as a bridge between standard language and simplified cultural expressions, allowing the reader to better understand the texture and rhythm of spoken language in concrete terms.

c. Imitative

Characteristics of slang Imitative of slang means a word that comes from copying a word in English in a different sense, usually referring to words or phrases that imitate a sound or action, or combining two different words to produce a new word (nadiyah, 2022).

Table VI.VI. Imitative

No.	Source Data	Slang Words	Meaning
1.	"Here, <u>deares</u> "."	Deares'	"Deares'" is a slang dialect variant, or
	She groped around		informal pronunciation, of the word
	in a waste-basket_		"dearest." Dropping the final "t" and
			using an apostrophe indicates a very
	Page 63, line 27		casual, informal way of speaking, or
			perhaps a particular accent that omits
			the final consonant. This is a way for

			writers to imitate a more casual,
			affectionate way of speaking, such as
			when someone says the word "dearest"
			softly or quickly in a friendly
			conversation. It adds a warm, personal
			touch to the dialogue.
2.	"The <u>bles-sed pre-</u>	Bles-sed pre-cious	"Bles-sed Pre-cious" is a deliberately
	cious! Did mother		exaggerated or exaggerated spelling,
	get powder on your		meant to imitate a particular sound or
	old yellowy hair?		tone. In this context, the space or
			hyphen between syllables ("Bles-sed,"
	Page 98, line 23		"Pre-cious") indicates a slow,
			exaggerated, or accented
			pronunciation. It is often used to
			indicate excessive affection, feigned
			joy, or even irony. The goal is for the
			reader to "hear" the intonation and
			emotion the character is trying to
			convey, as if the character is
			worshipping or admiring
			something/someone in a very dramatic
			way.
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3.	" <u>Yea-ea-ea!</u> " and	Yea-ea-ea	"Yea-ea-ea!" is a slang form that
	finally by a burst of		imitates "Yes!" or "Yay!" The
	jazz as the dancing		repetition of the vowels ("e" and "a")
	began.		explicitly imitates the sound of
			sustained, enthusiastic, joyful, or
	Page 108, line 15		jubilant cheering. It is a visual
			representation of what cheering might
			sound like in real life. Its function is to
			convey a strong emotional intensity of
			joy or support, as if the character were
			clapping heartily.
4.	_and when he told	Oggsford	"Oggsford" is a mispronunciation or
	me 141 he was at		dialectalization of the word "Oxford."
	Oggsford I knew I		It is phonetic slang that imitates speech
	could use him good.		that may be less cultured, accented, or
			unclear. In the Great Gatsby, it is used
	Page 146, line 16		specifically by characters such as
			Wolfsheim, who does not come from a
			formal English academic background.
			The use of this spelling helps the author
			convey characterization through
			language, depicting the speaker as

			someone who may not be a perfect
			native English speaker or who has a
			regional accent.
5.	For a moment I	Gonnection	"Gonnegtion" is a slang or dialectal
	thought he was		pronunciation of the word
	going to suggest a		"connection." Similar to "Oggsford,"
	"gonnegtion,"		this spelling is meant to mimic the
			dialect-influenced, less formal, or even
	Page 147, line 6		accented way of speaking that is often
			associated with certain environments
			(such as criminal
			or undereducated backgrounds).
			Replacing the "c" with a "g" and the "t"
			with a "g" suggests a more relaxed or
			assertive articulation. This helps to
			create character and mood, giving the
			reader a clearer idea of how the
			character sounds when speaking.
6.	He told me I <u>et</u> like a	Et	"Et" is a non-standard or dialectal past
	hog once, and I beat		tense of the verb "eat." The use of this
	him for it."		spelling intentionally imitates less
			formal, rural, or accented language. It

			is a way for writers to show that the
	Page 148, line 11		character uttering the word is not using
			standard or cultured language. "Et"
			lends authenticity to the dialogue,
			making the character seem more "real"
			and true to their social or geographical
			background, unlike a more formal
			narrator.
7.	I ejaculated an	Huh!	"Huh!" is a form of mimicry slang that
	unrestrained		imitates an unintentional sound or
	" <u>Huh!</u> "		expression. It is an example of
			onomatopoeia, meaning that a word
	Page 144, line 23		imitates the sound it makes. In a
			conversational context, "Huh!" is used
			to express sudden disbelief, surprise, or
			disgust. This non-verbal response is
			very common in verbal interactions,
			and writers use it to capture a highly
			emotional moment without the need for
			lengthy explanations. This short sound
			can convey a range of emotions
			depending on the desired intonation

8.	"We're getting	Sickantired	"Sickantired" is a compound,
	sickantired of it.		accentuated, or exaggerated form of the
	When I say he's in		common expression "sick and tired."
	Chicago,-		This usage imitates a rapid, prolonged
			pronunciation, or strong emphasis, to
	Page 145, line 24		indicate extreme boredom or irritation.
			By combining the words "sick," "and,"
			and "tired" into one word spoken
			without a pause, the speaker
			emphasizes that their level of boredom
			is far beyond normal tiredness. It is an
			expressive way of indicating that they
			are "sick and tired" to the point of
			exhaustion.
9.	"At first I din'notice	Din' notice	"Din' notice" is an example of dialect
	we'd stopped."		slang or an informal pronunciation of
			the expression "don't notice." The
	Page 45, line 32		omission of the "t" in "don't" and the
			"o" in "notice" marked with an
			apostrophe reflect a relaxed, rapid
			manner of speaking. This imitates a
			speech pattern that may be common in

			certain circles or accents, where words
			certain cheres of accents, where words
			tend to be shortened for communicative
			efficiency, rather than out of
			grammatical ignorance.
10.	-and if we'd of	If we'd of	"If we'd of" is an example of slang or
	raised the blinds		colloquial pronunciation of the
	we'd of seen		grammatically correct phrase "if we
	daylight."		had" (as in "if we had known" or "if we
			had gone"). The use of "of" instead of
	Page 58, line 19		"had" or "had" after the contraction ('d)
			is a common grammatical error in
			everyday speech or in some dialects.
			Writers imitate this speech pattern to
			give a sense of authenticity to the
			characters who speak it, suggesting that
			they are not necessarily expressing
			themselves with perfect grammar, but
			in a more natural, "rough" style,
			appropriate to their social or
			educational background.

Imitative slang is a unique linguistic device that enriches literary texts by mimicking the nuances of sound and structure of real speech. More than just words, imitative slang is an auditory reflection that brings narrative and characters to life. In novels, its use plays a vital role in creating authentic atmosphere and conveying emotional depth. For example, imitative slang such as "Oggsford" (from "Oxford") is not a simple mispronunciation; it is a phonetic citation of a character's accent or context, allowing the reader to "hear" their voice more realistically. Similarly, phrases such as "Yea-ea-ea!" imitate a prolonged cheer, injecting energy and enthusiasm directly onto the page, connecting the written text to the auditory experience.

In addition to simply imitating sounds, mock slang often reflects expressions and feelings. An exclamation such as "Huh!" is an onomatopoeia of disbelief or surprise, conveying an unconscious reaction that goes beyond the scope of formal words. A phrase such as "Bles-sed Pre-cious," with its deliberately loose spelling, conveys an exaggerated pronunciation, perhaps to convey affection or false irony, so that the reader feels a subtle emotion. The use of mock slang to convey this depth of expression suggests that the author deliberately chooses this form of language to enhance the realism of the dialogue and allow for a better understanding of the emotions and personalities of the characters.

Finally, the many forms of pseudo-slang in the text offer nuances that reveal dialect, social identity, and even the psychology of the characters. Speech forms such as "gonnegtion" (from "connection") or the atypical past tense "et" (from "ate") not only mark accents but also establish the characters' social backgrounds; they may come from less educated backgrounds or particular subcultures. These uses of slang are more than mere decoration; they build vocal identities that make the characters more alive and complex. In conclusion, pseudo-slang not only enriches the narrative with authenticity but also serves as a bridge between the written and the heard, allowing the reader to "hear" and experience the characters' worlds in a more profound way.

d. Flippant

Flippant slang characteristics are a type of slang used to refer to an impolite attitude, often characterized by a lack of seriousness or consideration when speaking. Slang with these characteristics can be used in ordinary situations, describing actions that are rude, thoughtless, or careless (nadiyah, 2022).

Table VI.V. Flippant

No.	Source Data	Slang Words	Meaning
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1.	" <u>Like hell he is!</u> He	Like hell he is!	The slang expression " Like hell he is!"
	wears a pink suit."		is a very strong and informal
			expression used to express extreme
	Page 103, line 12		disbelief or rejection of an aggressive
			statement. It's important to find the
			right moment here, without being
			afraid of being too abrupt.
			When someone uses " hell!", they're
			really saying, "That's not true at all!"
			and "That's a big lie!" The word "hell"
			acts as a very powerful intensifier here,
			transforming a simple rejection into an
			outburst of disapproval.
2.	_They meet all	Crazy fish	The slang expression "crazy fish" is
	kinds of <u>crazyfish."</u>		used to belittle or insult someone,
			describing them as strange, unusual, or
			even absurd. The addition of the word
	Page 88, line 2		"crazy" here reinforces the impression
	2 ago 00, mic 2		of an unusual or deviant quality.

			When Tom Buchanan uses this
			expression, he is not only calling the
			person strange, but also showing a
			dismissive or condescending attitude
			towards them. The word "fish" itself, in
			this context, already has a negative
			connotation, indicating someone who
			can be considered trivial, easily
			manipulated, or unimportant. The
			association with "crazy" conjures up an
			image of someone whose behavior is
			very strange and not worthy of respect
			in the eyes of the listener. It is a rude
			and sarcastic way of expressing
			disapproval or contempt.
3.	"I just got wised up	Wised up	"Wised up" is a colloquial expression
	to something funny		that means to become aware of
	the last two days,"		something that was not known, often a
			hidden fact, a trick, or an unpleasant
	Page 104, line 26		truth. The expression implies a sudden
			clarification or understanding of a
			situation.
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			When someone says "I've just come to a realization," it means that they have just received information that has changed their perspective or allowed them to understand the intricacies of a situation. The use of this expression can have a casual quality, suggesting a bit of arrogance or brilliance, as if the speaker is proud to have "learned" a truth that others may not have known. It is a common way of saying that they have become wiser or more discerning than they were before.
4.	That's one of his little	Stunts	In slang, a "stunts" refers to a showy,
	<u>stunts</u> .		clever, or daring act or trick, often with unethical or reckless connotations. It is
	Page 113, line 22		not simply a common act, but rather an
			act intended to attract attention or
			achieve a certain goal through
			unconventional or underhanded means.
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			Used to describe Gatsby's illegal
			"stunts," "stunt" emphasizes the daring,
			risky, and perhaps slightly immoral
			nature of Gatsby's activities. The term
			has an ambiguous tone, as it can imply
			that the act is considered some sort of
			"game" or "show" rather than a serious,
			legitimate matter. It suggests a
			disregard for rules or etiquette,
			emphasizing cleverness in outsmarting
			the system.
5.	"That drug-store	Small change	In slang, "small change" means
	business was just		something insignificant, trivial, or
	small change,"		small change, especially when
	small change,"		small change, especially when compared to something bigger and
	small change, " Page 114, line 3		
			compared to something bigger and
			compared to something bigger and more important. When Tom Buchanan
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			compared to something bigger and more important. When Tom Buchanan uses this phrase about Gatsby's liquor business, he is not simply calling it a small business. Instead, he is using it in a derogatory and insulting tone. Tom

			change" in his superior view. This is
			Tom's subtle way of showing his
			disgust and disdain.
6.	"Hell of a note,	Hell of a note	"Hell of a note" is informal slang that
	isn't it? Get my		expresses significant disappointment,
	wire?"		shock, or trouble. It is used when
			receiving bad news or facing an
			unpleasant situation, indicating anxiety
	Page 142, line 8		or shock. "Hell" serves as an intensifier,
			rather than a literal reference to hell; it
			emphasizes seriousness or discomfort.
			Saying "Hell of a note!" is like saying
			"This is a real problem!" or "How
			terrible/amazing!" It is a strong
			emotional expression that reflects deep
			frustration or shock.
7.	You never can tell in	Hick towns	" Hick towns" is slang for small rural
	these <u>hick</u> "		towns that are considered outdated,
			unfashionable, or unsophisticated.
			"Small town" itself is pejorative,
	Page 142, line 13		implying uneducated residents who do
			not keep up with urban trends. The use

			of " Hick towns" carries a dismissive
			and frivolous tone; it is not simply a
			geographical description, but a
			negative assessment suggesting
			stupidity, backwardness, or inferiority.
			The phrase reflects a stereotype of the
			rural, often used by those who consider
			themselves more cultured or modern.
8.	" <u>Go on!</u> " He	Go on!	The slang expression " Go on!" is an
	started.		informal exclamation used to express
			disbelief, surprise, or mild mockery at a
	Page 149, line 26		statement. It is a quick and direct way
			to respond to a statement that seems
			unusual, absurd, or difficult to believe.
			Imagine someone tells you something
			extraordinary or outrageous. Instead of
			saying "No way!" or "Are you kidding
			me?", they might interrupt with " Go
			on!" This is like daring the speaker to
			continue, while implicitly expressing
			doubt or surprise.

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9.	I don't give a <u>damn</u>	Damn	In this context, "Damn" is a slang term
	about you now		that is flippant. It is used to emphasize
			or reinforce a strong expression of
	Page 152, line 2		indifference, annoyance, or
			disappointment.
			When someone says "I don't give a
			damn," they don't just mean "I don't
			care," but rather "I don't care at all" or
			"I don't care a bit." The use of "damn"
			here indicates a very strong, often
			condescending or insulting attitude
			toward the subject being discussed. It is
			a rude and informal way to express
			deep indifference.
10.	" <u>Crazy as hell</u> . I	Crazy as hell	"Crazy as hell" is a very expressive
	don't know what's		slang expression, and often considered
	the matter with you."		flippant. It is used to emphasize the
			"craziness" or craziness of something
	Page 152, line 26		to an extreme degree.

			The "as hell" part is a very common
			intensifier in British slang. It is used to
			emphasize the intensity of the
			preceding adjective, as in "very, very"
			or "completely". So, "crazy as hell"
			means "very crazy," "completely
			crazy," or "really crazy." The "casual"
			tone is probably due to the fact that the
			expression is often used in casual
			conversation with a touch of humor or
			to minimize the seriousness of a
			"crazy" situation while still showing
			high intensity.
11.	"when I went to give	Damn box	In the phrase "damn box " serves as a
	up that flat and saw		slang intensifier that also has a
	that damn box of		flippant/pejorative nuance.
	dog biscuits sitting		
	there on the		Here, "damn" is used to emphasize the
	sideboard,"		speaker's annoyance, frustration, or
			irritation with the "box" (the dog biscuit
	Page 153, line 13		box). This is not an expletive in the
			sense of wishing for destruction, but
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			rather an informal and slightly rude
			expression of anger or annoyance. The
			use of "damn" with an inanimate object
			like this shows how annoyed the
			speaker is, as if the object itself is
			causing the problem or anger.
12.	girls were putting	Puppyish	The word "puppyish" uses the suffix "-
	their heads on men's		ish" to indicate a quality of being
	shoulders in a		childish, cutesy, and perhaps a bit
	<u>puppyish</u>		contrived or exaggerated in the context
			of adult social interactions. It can be
	Page 41, line 26		seen as a casual way of expressing an
			observation.
			In an adult context, especially in social
			interactions, calling someone a
			"puppyish" can be seen as somewhat
			dismissive or flippant. It may imply
			that their behavior is a bit naive, overly
			enthusiastic, or too childish for the
			situation, but it is not necessarily
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		malicious. Rather, it is a casual and
		slightly critical observation.
"She looked	Common but pretty	This phrase, and in particular the use of
around after a		the word " Common but pretty," is an
moment and told me		example of casual slang that conveys a
the girl was		condescending judgment about
"common but		someone's social status or background,
pretty,"		even if they are physically attractive. Its
		use is casual because it casually, even
Page 90, line 3		thoughtlessly, belittles someone's
		worth based on their social background.
		It seems to imply that physical beauty
		cannot fully compensate for perceived
		"deficiencies" in the social hierarchy.
		The phrase is a shallow and dismissive
		viewpoint that shows a disregard for the
		dignity of the individual, with social
		background being the primary
		determinant of a person's worth in the
		eyes of its user.
	around after a moment and told me the girl was "common but pretty,"	around after a moment and told me the girl was "common but pretty,"

14.	"We were at a	tipsy	The word " tipsy " is a euphemism—a
	particularly <u>tipsy</u>		softening of the word—to describe
	table"		someone who is "slightly tipsy" or
			"slightly under the influence of
	Page 90, line 6		alcohol." It has a boring quality because
			it effectively minimizes the degree of
			drunkenness, making it seem more
			lighthearted, humorous, or socially
			acceptable than more direct terms like
			"high" or "drunk." In a party or social
			setting, the use of the word "drunk" is
			often intended to make drinking seem
			less serious or awkward, as if it were
			just a mild and enjoyable side effect.
15.	"You must be	Crazy	When Tom uses the exclamation
	<u>crazy</u> !"		"That's crazy!" to express disbelief or
	exclaimed Tom		anger, often with a dismissive tone, the
	automatically		expression is extremely
			inconsequential. Rather than engaging
	Page 110, line 27		in rational discussion or providing a
			reasonable explanation, Tom
			impulsively labels the idea or person as

			"crazy." It's a short, direct, and rude
			way of dismissing or insulting
			something, indicating that he doesn't
			want to take the statement seriously,
			and that he doesn't think it's worth
			further discussion or debate.
16.	"But all the rest of	God damned	Although literally " God damned " is a
	that's a God damned		serious swear word with strong
	lie"		religious connotations, in many
			informal contexts it can be used in a
	Page 111, line 18		frivolous tone or as a less serious
			exclamation. It serves as a strong slang
			word to express extreme frustration,
			annoyance, or urgency, without
			actually praying for it to stop. This
			frivolous use detracts from the sacred
			meaning of the original expression,
			turning it into a casual, but still rude
			and impolite, expression of anger or
			disapproval.
17.	A pale well-dressed	Negro	The use of the word "Negro" in casual
	negro stepped near.		conversation during The Great

			Gatsby—and especially in our own
	Page 118, line 30		time—often carries a pejorative and
			disrespectful connotation. While it may
			have been common usage during a
			particular historical period, its use by
			some characters in the novel may
			reflect a disregard for racial
			sensitivities, or even a form of insult or
			contempt for someone because of their
			race. In retrospect, this disrespectful
			use is clearly pejorative and racist,
			showing a disregard for the
			implications of the word.
18.	"You're worth the	Damn bunch	In the phrase " Damn bunch," the use of
	whole damn bunch		"damn" functions as an intensifier to
	put together."		indicate a casual or contemptuous
			attitude. Similar to " God damned,"
	Page 131, line 20		"damn" is used here to heighten
			annoyance, disappointment, or
			disapproval of a group of people ("a
			bunch") without the need for a more
			detailed or polite explanation. It is a

			rude and informal way of saying that
			the group is annoying, useless, or
			unworthy of respect, indicating
			disregard for the impression being
			made.
19.	_but he was a tough	Tough one	Describing someone as " Tough one "
	one.		can have a flippant tone, especially
			when used by someone who feels
	Page 153, line 7		superior or is not particularly affected
			by their difficulties. It can imply that
			others view the " Tough one " person as
			an annoying "enemy" or "opponent,"
			but in a somewhat casual or less serious
			manner, as if the difficulties they face
			are not particularly important to them.
			This casual attitude has the effect of
			minimizing the difficulties others are
			experiencing, giving the impression
			that their problems are not so serious.
20.	"He's so <u>dumb</u> he	Dumb	When the word " Dumb " is used in a
	doesn't know he's		mocking or derogatory tone, it is clear
	alive."		that it is meant to be derogatory. Calling

			someone " Dumb " in this way is a rude
	Page 22, line 7		way of belittling their intelligence or
			dismissing them as unimportant,
			without considering the implications or
			feelings that may arise. It is a common
			form of teasing that is meant to belittle
			someone's intelligence or abilities,
			thereby showing disrespect.
21.	"It's a <u>bitch</u> ," said	Bitch	The word "bitch" is a very strong insult
	Tom decisively.		and is often considered offensive.
			However, in the informal context of
	Page 23, line 16		babies, it can be used casually.
			Depending on the intonation and the
			relationship between the speakers,
			"bitch" is sometimes used to express
			anger, or even to express bravado
			among friends. This casual use is meant
			to soften the harshness of the insult,
			turning it into more of an emotional
			attack than a serious, hurtful one.
22.	"Can't stand them."	Can't stand	The expression "can't stand " means to
			hate or strongly dislike something or

	Page 27, line 30		someone. Although the expression
			literally expresses strong dislike, its use
			can be casual if it is said lightly or
			without the seriousness commensurate
			with the level of dislike expressed. For
			example, someone might say "I can't
			stand traffic jams!" in a casual tone,
			expressing mild annoyance rather than
			deep hatred. This lessens the emotional
			weight of the statement, making it seem
			more like a trivial complaint than a
			major problem.
23.	"Crazy about him!"	Crazy about him	major problem. The phrase " Crazy about him!" is used
23.	"Crazy about him!" cried Myrtle	Crazy about him	J 1
23.		Crazy about him	The phrase " Crazy about him!" is used
23.	cried Myrtle	Crazy about him	The phrase " Crazy about him!" is used informally to express extreme
23.	cried Myrtle incredulously.	Crazy about him	The phrase " Crazy about him!" is used informally to express extreme infatuation or attraction to someone.
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23.	cried Myrtle incredulously.	Crazy about him	The phrase "Crazy about him!" is used informally to express extreme infatuation or attraction to someone. While expressive, this phrase can be a bit frivolous. Sometimes, "Crazy "here does not mean actual infatuation, but rather an expression of excessive and perhaps slightly childish enthusiasm.
23.	cried Myrtle incredulously.	Crazy about him	The phrase "Crazy about him!" is used informally to express extreme infatuation or attraction to someone. While expressive, this phrase can be a bit frivolous. Sometimes, "Crazy "here does not mean actual infatuation, but rather an expression of excessive and

			spoken statements, as if love or
			obsession were just a fun and
			uncomplicated thing.
24.	"Want to go with me,	Old sport	Gatsby's iconic phrase, "old sport," is
	old sport? Just near		lexical slang that serves as a casual
	the shore along the		greeting and often has a flippant or
	Sound."		even slightly condescending tone,
			depending on the context. Although
	Page 39, line 16		Gatsby uses it to create an impression
			of culture and familiarity, to some
			listeners, especially those who are older
			or of higher status, the greeting can
			come across as a bit presumptuous or
			too casual. It suggests a lack of respect
			for the formalities of the relationship,
			or Gatsby's attempt to project a
			confident, detached self-image. This
			flippant tone can sometimes make it
			sound a bit fake or forced.
25.	"two <u>bucks</u> and a	Bucks	The term "bucks," a racially charged
	girl"		term that was highly offensive to black
			men at the time, is of course pejorative

	Page 57, line 7		and flippant in that it conveys a
			profound lack of respect. Its use reflects
			a blatant disregard for human dignity
			and dehumanization. The word "bucks"
			reduces an individual to a mere "male
			animal," indicating a callous disregard
			and indifference to the suffering or
			identity of the person being addressed.
			It is the darkest form of slang, loaded
			with prejudice and contempt.
26.	"'Let the <u>bastards</u>	Bastard	The word "bastard" is a swear word.
	come in here if they		Although it literally means "son of a
	want you, Rosy"		bitch," in casual conversation it is often
			used as a general insult to express
	Page 58, line 17		anger, frustration, or contempt. It can
			be used casually when uttered without
			any real emotional intensity, or as a
			casual way to express annoyance, as in
			the phrase "Oh, that bastard!" which
			can mean "That annoying person!" This
			reduces the seriousness of the insult to

			a rude, but not particularly profound,	
			expression of displeasure.	
27.	"The poor son-of-a-	Son of a bitch	The phrase "son of a bitch" is a very	
	<u>bitch</u> ," he said.		strong, rude, and offensive	
			flippant/pejorative slang. Although it	
	Page 149, line 29		literally means "female dog," in a	
			human context, it functions as an insult	
			loaded with contempt and anger.	
			The phrase is usually used to describe	
			someone as being extremely	
			unpleasant, despicable, evil, or	
			despicable. When uttered, "son of a	
			bitch" effectively expresses deep anger,	
			disappointment, or disgust towards the	
			person being spoken to. It is a direct	
			and informal way to express	
			disapproval or hatred.	

Flippant slang is a powerful linguistic element that enhances literary texts by bringing a touch of indifference, disdain, or disrespect to otherwise serious situations. This slang reflects a character's arrogance

or their attempt to downplay something. In novels, its use plays a significant role in setting the tone, revealing a character's personality, and even triggering conflict. For example, casual slang phrases like "damn box" or "crazy fish" are not simply expressions of anger; they are spontaneous expressions of annoyance, uttered casually, allowing the reader to directly feel the character's impatience or disdain. Likewise, phrases like "can't stand" or "crazy about him!" express a hatred or obsession with frivolity, combining strong emotion with a pretentious appearance.

Although less serious, casual slang often functions as a psychological shield or weapon. An exclamation such as "like hell he is!" is an aggressive and dismissive denial, indicating that Tom not only does not believe but also underestimates his interlocutor. Phrases such as "wised up" sometimes have a pretentious connotation, indicating that the speaker feels smarter because he has "discovered" the truth. The use of casual slang to convey these profound attitudes suggests that the author deliberately chooses this type of language to emphasize his arrogance, carelessness, and even hidden feelings Finally, many forms of casual slang in the text offer nuances that suggest social hierarchies and power relationships. Gatsby's use of the term "old sport" or the racist and derogatory term "bucks" not only demonstrates a style of speech but also conveys a disdain for others or social norms. This slang is more than just

decoration; it reveals the worldview of characters who may consider themselves superior or too important to care. In conclusion, casual slang not only enriches the dialogue and narrative but also serves as a bridge between verbal expression and internal attitudes, allowing the reader to understand and internalize social and psychological dynamics that are often not explicitly stated. of insecurity, so that the reader better understands their psychological complexity.

e. Aronomy

Based on Nadiyah et all (2024), characteristic of slang Acronyms are formed from the beginning of each word in a phrase or made from a group of words or syllables and pronounced as a new word. Acronym slang is an effective form of abbreviation, formed by the first letters of a series of words that are then read as one word (e.g., NASA) or as initials (e.g., POV). Although very common in modern communication, especially in the era of social and digital media, the study of this novel revealed a complete absence of this type of acronym slang (0%). This absence could be due to the time when the novel was written, which may predate the widespread use of acronyms in everyday language. Furthermore, the author's style or the social background of the characters may have prevented the use of this form of slang. However, the absence of acronyms highlights the evolution of slang and writing styles that are

specific to each period, highlighting the changing linguistic dynamics over time and their relevance in a literary context.

B. Research Findings

Analysis of the various types of slang in this text showed a clear pattern in its use. The distribution of slang types was very diverse, with flippant slang types dominating (33.75%), followed by fresh and creative slang types (31.25%), clipping slang (22.50%), imitative slang (12.50%), and acronyms were not found at all (0%). This distribution indicated that the text replied heavily on slang to reflect attitudes and creativity in spoken language, while acronyms did not play a significant role.

1. Flippant (33,75% - 25 instances)

Flippant slang is the most common type, indicating its function in creating a tone of indifference or condescension in the story. For example, an expression such as "damn bunch" not only conveys annoyance, but also conveys a casual yet condescending attitude, which adds to the reader's insight into the character. The high frequency of flippant slang indicates that the text places more emphasis on expressing informal attitudes and social dynamics.

2. Fresh and creative (31,25% - 25 instances)

As the second most common category, fresh and creative slang aims to bring linguistic innovation and originality to expressions. They often produce distinctive images or express feelings in original ways. For example, "crazy fish" is not just a description, but a new, derogatory way to label someone. This frequent use indicates that the writer wants to add energy and uniqueness to the conversation.

3. Clipping (22,50% - 18 instances)

Clipping, the third most common form of slang, emphasizes efficiency and familiarity in language. The use of abbreviations such as "yeah" (from "yes") or "doc" (from "doctor") results in a fast and smooth flow of conversation. Its prevalence suggests that texts attempt to imitate everyday spoken language, making dialogue feel more alive and relatable to the reader.

4. Imitative (12,50% - 10 instances)

Imitative slang serves to imitate a particular sound, accent, or way of speaking, such as "Oggsford" (from "Oxford") or "Yea-ea-ea!". They add depth to the realism of sound and feeling, creating an authentic sense of how characters communicate. While not often used, they are essential to creating dynamic characters and atmosphere.

5. Acronym (0% - 0 instances)

There are no slang acronyms found in this text. This suggests that common modern slang forms are not relevant to the period or style of the novel.

Overall, these findings highlight the text's heavy reliance on flippant, fresh, and creative slang (\sim 65% combined) to emphasize attitude, creativity, and social dynamics. Clipping provides oral realism, while imitative language adds authentic nuances. The lack of acronyms suggests a specific time frame for slang usage.

CHAPTER V

CONCLUSION AND SUGGESTIONS

This chapter will discuss the conclusions that have been obtained in this analysis and also include a few suggestions that may be useful for readers.

A. Conclusion

After analyzing the research results, the researcher concluded from this study.

In this subsection, the researcher examined the slang terms used in *The Great Gatsby novel by F. Scott Fitzgerald*. In line with the types of slang discussed in the theoretical framework and research results, the researcher identified five types of slang used by the characters in the novel, namely: fresh and creative types, clipping types, imitative types, flippant types, and acronym types.

Based on the percentage calculation, flippant types appeared 27 times or a percentage of 33.75%. The fresh and creative types appeared 25 times or a percentage of 31.25%. The clipping type appeared 18 times or a percentage of 22.50%. imitative types appeared 10 times or a percentage of 12.50%. Finally, the acronym type did not appear or 0 times or 0%.

The emergence of flippant slang dominates the use of slang by the characters in The Great Gatsby, indicating a tendency to use language that expresses indifference or contempt. In contrast, acronyms are the least common type of slang, if any, in the novel. This may be because these types of slang are more difficult to use in the context and time period of the novel. Furthermore, the

reasons for the use of slang in The Great Gatsby are heavily influenced by word choice, character background, and setting, which contribute to creating a real social and psychological nuance.

B. Suggestions

In this study, the researcher recommends that those interested in analyzing slang words join groups where slang is commonly used in conversations to enhance their understanding.

- For English students at Indagiri Islamic University Those who wish to explore slang in future research can analyze its use in movies, songs, cassettes, diaries, novels, and other media.
- For teachers, since slang has become a part of language, educators can incorporate it into lessons, as not all slang is inappropriate. Using slang in teaching may also engage students, as they often enjoy learning new things.
- For readers, understanding new cultures, especially language, is beneficial.
 However, it is important to use polite language in conversations. Learning slang can help readers expand their language knowledge.
- 4. Other researchers This study can be an initial reference for researchers interested in the study of slang or sociocultural linguistics. This study is recommended to expand the scope of media (e.g., social media, podcasts, or web series), compare the use of slang across genres or demographic groups, and analyze its impact on social identity and intergenerational communication.

5. Institute is expected to support and facilitate further research on the dynamics of informal language, such as slang. This can be done by providing resources, forming language study groups, or developing curricula that incorporate sociolinguistic aspects. Support for such research will enrich linguistic knowledge and prepare students to understand the complexities of real-world communication.

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