Story telling for high school students

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ABSTRACT

Telling stories is an activity that has become an inseparable part since humans were born. Life is filled with creating and telling stories. The purpose of this Community Service Program is to make students love literature, especially short stories. To achieve this goal, activities were held for high school students which included training and story telling competitions. The activity was carried out using a zoom platform and was attended by 48 students from 3 schools, namely SMA N 2 Yogkyakarta, SMA N 1 Imogori, and SMA N 1 Lasem. By using lecture and modeling methods as well as providing feedback, the results of this activity show that: 1) participants are able and happy to do story telling, 2) participants are able and enthusiastically display their work with appropriate expressions. In addition to practicing the story telling during the training, participants were willing to show their storytelling work even with full confidence. Almost all participants were active in carrying out the activities. Participants who had difficulties also did not hesitate to ask questions and ask the instructor for help. This achievement is supported by the participants' high motivation and interest in storytelling and the topic of 'heroes' which is very relevant to their daily lives. Support from schools, especially English teachers who attended the training, also gave students their own motivation and enthusiasm. The competition activities also encouraged the participants to excel.

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