

# SHORT STORY WRITING TRAINING BASED ON LOCAL CULTURE FOR JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL TEACHERS IN MAGELANG CITY, CENTRAL JAVA

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## ABSTRACT

The community service programme in the form of training in writing short stories based on local culture for junior high school teachers in Magelang City, Central Java, was carried out with the aim of improving competence in creative writing, especially short stories, for Indonesian language teachers in Magelang City, Central Java. In addition, this programme aimed to develop a culture of literacy in schools as well as foster awareness and concern for local culture

The target audience for this programme is junior high school teachers in Magelang City, Central Java. The participants were selected in order to increase cooperation and attract prospective students for Master's and Doctoral programmes in Indonesian. In its implementation, the team collaborated with the MGMP of Indonesian Language in Magelang City. The training was designed with a comprehensive approach through two training formats. First, the training was designed using a classical model using talk shows, lectures, and discussions. Second, the training was designed using a tutorial or structured mentoring so that participants could practice directly while getting assistance in writing short stories. This short story writing training programme is implemented with a training model (classical and practical) and tutorials so that participants can practice directly while getting assistance in writing short stories.

The results of this programme can be categorised in two ways. (1) in terms of process, the training participants, in this case junior high school Indonesian language teachers in Magelang, were motivated to write short stories; (2) in terms of product, this community service programme can produce one draft anthology of short stories by the training participants. This also shows that the participants' writing competence has improved.

Kata Kunci: *training, short story, local culture, junior high school teachers*