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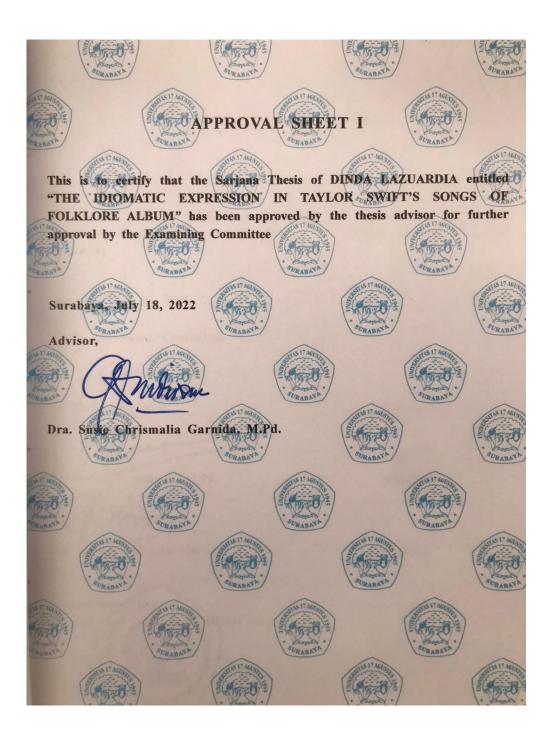
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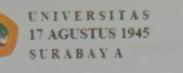
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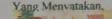
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### ABSTRACT

One aspect of language that is interesting to talk about is idiomatic expression. This is because there is an implied meaning contained in the idiomatic expression. Idiomatic expressions are most commonly seen in literary works, such as song lyrics. This study aims to identify the types of idiomatic expressions used in Taylor Swift's song lyrics in the Folklore album. This study employed Lou's theory (2007) of classification of idiomatic expression idiomatic expression with adjectives and nouns in combination, idiomatic expression with prepositions or adverbs, idiomatic expression with two-word verbs, idiomatic expression in comparison, idiomatic verbal expressions, verbs and nouns used together idiomatically, idiomatic adjective phrases, and verbs and prepositions used together. The findings indicate that 68 idiomatic expressions appeared in the song lyrics with the most dominant being an idiomatic expression with adjectives and nouns in combination (36), idiomatic expression with two-word verbs (10), idiomatic expression with verbs and nouns used together idiomatically (9), idiomatic expression with verbs and preposition (8), idiomatic expression with preposition or adverbs (4), and idiomatic expression with adjectives phrases (1). The findings of this study imply that idiomatic expressions with adjectives and nouns in combination are more populary used in the song lyrics than other types of idiomatic expression.

Keywords: idiomatic expression, types of idiomatic expression, song.

#### ABSTRAK

Salah satu aspek bahasa yang menarik untuk dibahas adalah ekspresi idiomatik. Hal ini karena ada makna tersirat yang terkandung dalam ungkapan idiomatik tersebut. Ekspresi idiomatik paling sering terlihat dalam karya sastra, seperti lirik lagu. Penelitian ini bertujuan untuk mengidentifikasi jenis ekspresi idiomatik yang digunakan dalam lirik lagu Taylor Swift dalam album Folklore. Penelitian ini menggunakan teori Lou (2007) tentang klasifikasi ekspresi idiomatik - ekspresi idiomatik dengan kombinasi kata sifat dan kata benda, ekspresi idiomatik dengan preposisi atau kata keterangan, ekspresi idiomatik dengan kata kerja dua kata, ekspresi idiomatik dalam perbandingan, ekspresi verbal idiomatik, kata kerja dan kata benda digunakan bersama-sama secara idiomatik, frase kata sifat idiomatik, dan kata kerja dan preposisi digunakan bersama-sama. Temuan menunjukkan bahwa 68 ekspresi idiomatik muncul dalam lirik lagu dengan yang paling dominan adalah ekspresi idiomatik dengan kombinasi kata sifat dan kata benda (36), ekspresi idiomatik dengan kata kerja dua kata (10), ekspresi idiomatik dengan kata kerja dan kata benda yang digunakan bersama secara idiomatik. (9), ekspresi idiomatik dengan verba dan preposisi (8), ekspresi idiomatik dengan preposisi atau adverbia (4), dan ekspresi idiomatik dengan frasa adjektiva (1). Temuan penelitian ini menyiratkan bahwa ekspresi idiomatik dengan kombinasi kata sifat dan kata benda lebih populer digunakan dalam lirik lagu daripada jenis ekspresi idiomatik lainnya.

Kata kunci: ekspresi idiomatik, jenis ekspresi idiomatik, lagu.