# CHAPTER III METHOD OF INVESTIGATION

#### 3.1 Research Design

The method of the study was experimental research. The design of this study was Quasi–Experimental design, which was called pre-test post-test nonequivalent-group design. An experimental research consisted of two groups. They were experimental group and control group. An Experimental group was a class taught using a new treatment while the control group was a class taught using new treatment. According to Mubarok (2015:78), Experimental research is a research method used to find a specific treatment effect against the other in uncontrolled conditions.

In this research, the experimental and control group were the tenth grade students of MA Darul Hikmah Menganti Jepara. The experimental group was taught by using picture series, while the control group was taught without using picture series.

The design of the experiment could be described as follows (Mubarok, 2015:91):

Pattern:

01	х	02
03		04

(Mubarok, 2015:91)

Where:

X : Treatment given experiment group

O1 : Pre-test for the experimental group

O2 : Post-test for the experimental group

O3 : Pre-test for the control group

O4 : Post-test for the control group

Based on the pattern above, the subjects of research consisted of experimental group and control group. Both classes were checked by pre-test to know the quality of the subject. Then, the treatment was given to the experimental class. This treatment was symbolized as "X". The control class was taught without using picture series. The test was held in the form of written. Then, the results of post-test (O2 and O4) were computed statistically.

### **3.2 Population and Sample**

1. Population

According to Arikunto (2010:173), population is all the subject of the research. In this research, the population or the subjects of the research were the tenth grade students of MA Darul Hikmah Menganti Jepara in the academic year of 2016/2017. There were three classes of the tenth grade students (X.IPA 1, X.IPS 1, X.IPS 2).

2. Sample

Sample is part of the quality and characteristics of the population (Mubarok, 2015:32). The sample consisted of the students from the population who were chosen to participate in the study. This research was an experimental research, so the writer needed to take two classes that would be the sample for an experimental and control classes. The sample was taken from the tenth grade students of MA Darul Hikmah Menganti Jepara. The writer used sample random sampling to determine the two classes. It was chose base on the same characteristics. On this occasion, the writer chose two classes as sample, they were students of X.IPS 1 which consisted of 33 students and X.IPS 2 which consisted of 33 students. Then, the writer would divide those classes into two groups. X.IPS 1 as experiment group and X.IPS 2 as control group.

#### 3.3 Variables

Nunan (1992:25) stated that a variable as the term lexically, is anything which does not remain constant. A variable is a property that takes on different values. In this experimental research, there were two types of variables; they were dependent and independent variable. Furthermore, to Brown (1988:10) stated "a dependent variable is the variable of focus or the

central variable on which other variables will act if there is any relationship. The independent variable is the variable selected by the writer to determine the relationship with the dependent variable."

In this study, the variables were:

- 1. Independent Variable : Teaching Writing Narrative Text by Using Picture Series.
- 2. Dependent Variable : The Student's Test Score.

#### 3.4 Instrument of the Research

In this research, the writer used test as method of data collection. Test was used in order to know the difference achievement between experiment and control classes after the treatment was given. Type of the test that was used by the writer was essay writing that asked the students to produce a product was a narrative text. For the test, the writer gave pre-test, treatment, and post-test.

1. Pre-test

The purpose of pre-test was to know the ability of the students in writing narrative text before given the treatment. Pre-test would give to both of groups, experimental group and control group.

2. Post-test

The post test was given to both groups to measure the students' achievement on writing test. Then, the students' test scores were compared between score of experimental group and control group.

To assess writing test, the writer used elements of writing. The elements of writing could be seen on the table below:

Categories	Score	Criteria	
30-27 Excellent to ve		Excellent to very good: knowledgeable;	
		substantive; through development of thesis;	
		relevant to assigned topic.	
	26-22	Good to average: some knowledge of subje	
		adequate range; limited development of thesis;	
Content		mostly relevant to topic, but lacks detail.	
	21-17	Fair to poor: limited knowledge of subject;	
		little substance; inadequate development of	
		topic.	
		Very poor: does not show knowledge of	
		subject; non-substantive; not pertinent.	
	17-14	Good to average: somewhat choppy; loosely	
		organized but main ideas stand out; limited	
		support; logical but incomplete sequencing.	
Organization	13-10	Fair to poor: non-fluent; ideas confused or	
		disconnected; lacks logical sequencing and	
		development.	
	9-7	Very poor: does not communicate; no	
		organization.	
	20-18	Excellent to very good: sophisticated range;	
		effective word/idiom choice and usage; word	
		from mastery; appropriate register.	
	17-14	Good to average: adequate range; occasional	
		errors of word/idiom form; choice; usage but	
Vocabulary meaning not obscured.   13-10 Fair to poor: limited range; frequen word/idiom form, choice, usage; confused or obscured.		meaning not obscured.	
		Fair to poor: limited range; frequent errors of	
		word/idiom form, choice, usage; meaning	
		confused or obscured.	
	9-7	Very poor: essentially translation; little	

Table 3.1

**Testing Composition Writing for Intermediate Level** 

		knowledge of English vocabulary, idioms,
		word form.
	25-22	Excellent to very good: Effective complex
		construction; few errors of agreement, tense,
		number, word order/function, articles,
		pronouns, prepositions.
Language	21-18	Good to average: effective but simple
use/grammar		construction; minor problems in complex
		constructions; several errors of agreement,
		tense, number, word order/ function, articles,
		pronouns, prepositions but meaning seldom
		obscured.
	17-11	Fair to poor: major problems in simple/
		complex constructions; frequent errors of
		negation, agreement, tense, number, word
		order/ function, articles, pronouns, preposition
		and fragments, run-ons, deletions; meaning
		confused or obscured.
	10-5	Very poor: virtually no mastery of sentence
		construction rules; dominated by errors; does
		not communicate.
	5	Excellent to very good: demonstrates mastery
		of conventions; few errors of spelling,
		punctuation, capitalization, paragraphing.
	4	Good to average: occasional errors of spelling,
		punctuation, capitalization, paragraphing, but
Mechanics		meaning not obscured.
	3	Fair to poor: frequent errors of spelling,
		punctuation, capitalization, paragraphing, poor
		handwriting; meaning confused.
	2	Very poor: no mastery of conventions;
		dominated by errors of spelling, punctuation,

	capitalization,	etc.	paragraphing;	handwriting
	illegible.			

Taken from: Hughes (2003:104)

#### Table 3.2

#### Scoring the Students' Writing Ability

No	Writing Element	Score
1	Content	30
2	Grammar	25
3	Organization	20
4	Vocabulary	20
5	Mechanic	5
Total		100

Taken from: Brown (2004:246)

## 3.5 Method of Data Collection

1. Pre-test

The pre-test would give to both of groups, experimental group and control group in order to know the students' ability in writing narrative text before treatment given. Students would ask to write a narrative task without using picture series. The pre-test was in written form.

2. Treatment

Both of experimental group and control group were taught by using same material (narrative text), but both of them would get different treatment. Experimental group would be taught by using picture series as media and for control group would be taught by using conventional way. This table explained about the planning when the writer conducted the research.

T1	T2	Т3
Experimental class	Experimental class	Experimental class
• The teacher explained	• The teacher explained	• The teacher explained
to the students about	to the students about	to the students about
the definition, social	the definition, social	the definition, social
function, and generic	function, and generic	function, and generic
structure of narrative	structure of narrative	structure of narrative
text.	text.	text.
• The teacher gave an	• The teacher gave an	• The teacher gave an
example of narrative	example of narrative	example of narrative
text.	text.	text.
• The teacher divided	• The teacher divided	• The teacher divided
the students into	the students into	the students into
seven groups.	seven groups.	seven groups.
• The teacher gave each	• The teacher gave each	• The teacher gave each
group picture series	group picture series	group picture series
entitle of Hansel and	entitle of Sleeping	entitle The Little
Gretel.	Beauty.	Purse with two Half-
• The teacher asked the	• The teacher asked the	pennies
student to make a	students to make a	• The teacher asked the
narrative text using	narrative text using	students to make a
picture series media.	picture series media.	narrative text using
		picture series media.
<u>Control Class</u>	Control Class	Control Class
• The teacher explained	• The teacher explained	• The teacher explained
to the students about	to the students about	to the students about
the definition, social	the definition, social	the definition, social
function, and generic	function, and generic	function, and generic
structure of narrative	structure of narrative	structure of narrative

# Table 3.3

The Planning Observation in Experimental and Control Classes

text.	text.	text.
• The teacher gave an	• The teacher gave an	• The teacher gave an
example of narrative	example of narrative	example of narrative
text.	text.	text.
• The teacher divided	• The teacher divided	• The teacher divided
the students into	the students into	the students into
seven groups.	seven groups.	seven groups.
• The teacher gave each	• The teacher gave each	• The teacher gave each
group a worksheet	group a worksheet	group a worksheet
entitled Hansel and	entitled Seeping	entitled The Little
Gretel.	Beauty	Purse with Two Half-
• The teacher asked the	• The teacher asked the	pennies
student to make a	student to make a	• The teacher asked the
narrative text.	narrative text.	student to make a
		narrative text.

## 3. Post-test

The post-test would give after all treatments are conducted. It used to measure the students' achievement after experimental and control classes were gave treatment.

### 3.6 Method of Data Analysis

In scoring the students' writing ability, the writer analyzed the data by giving pre-test and post-test to the students. It applied some steps in analyzing of the data. These following steps were taken from brown (2004: 244–246).

1. Finding the Mean each Groups

After got the students' score, the writer calculated the mean of each element; the writer calculated the mean for each group using this formula:

$$\bar{X} = \frac{\sum X}{N}$$

(Sudjana, 2012: 109)

Where,

- : represents the summation
- X : represents scores
- N : represents number of scores.
- 2. Consulting the mean of level achievement

After calculating the mean of each group experimental and control group, the writer consulted the level achievement below:

The Level Achievement			
Mark	Score	Level Achievement	
А	90-100	Excellent	
В	80-89	Very Good	
С	70-79	Adequate	
D	60-69	Inadequate	
E	Below 60	Fail	

Table 3.4

(Brown, 2004:287)

# 3. Finding the Standard Deviation

After consulting the mean to the level achievement, the writer found the standard deviation. The formula was as follows:

a. Standard deviation for experimental group:

$$SD_1 = \sqrt{\frac{\sum(x-\bar{x})^2}{N-1}}$$

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b. Standard deviation for control group

$$SD_2 = \sqrt{\frac{\sum(x-\bar{x})^2}{N-1}}$$

Where,

SD = sample standard deviation $\Sigma = sum of the data$ 

- $\bar{x} =$  sample mean
- N = number of scores in sample.
- 4. Calculating Standard Error

After the writer got the standard deviation of each group, the writer calculated the standard error of the mean each group.

a. Experimental group

$$Sx_2 = \frac{S1_2}{\sqrt{n}}$$

b. Control group

$$Sx_2 = \frac{S1_2}{\sqrt{n}}$$

Where,

- $S\bar{x}$  : Standard Error of the Mean
- s : Standard Deviation of the Mean
- n : Number of Observations of the Sample
- 5. Calculating the standard error of the difference between the means

$$Sxt^2 - Sx_2^2 = \sqrt{Sxt^2 + Sx_2^2}$$

6. Calculating the t-test

After calculating the standard deviation, the writer calculated t-test as follows:

$$T = \frac{x_1 - x_2}{Sx_1 - x_2}$$

To finding the final result of the *t-test*, the writer used *t- table* to compare the *t- test* result. If the result of the *t-test* was higher than t-table, it meant that there was any significant different between those two groups. Meanwhile, if the t-test was lower than the result of t-table, it meant that there was no significant different between two groups.