Common Errors Visible Among Teacher Trainees Regarding Active Voice and Passive Voice in English Language

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Abstract - Active and Passive voice are very important parts of the language and it is really important to handle and use those particular parts correctly in order to get the real meaning. Teacher trainees engaged in the Primary Teacher Training Course should acquire knowledge of English language under a special study area. Having better knowledge of active and passive voice is a really important part in English language for all the teacher trainees. This research aimed to identify common errors made by teacher trainees when using active voice and passive voice in their learning teaching process. A quantitative approach was used in conducting the research and 100 teacher trainees were selected as the research sample. A test paper containing the active voice and passive voice sentences was provided to collect the data. The descriptive analysis method was used in this research to portray the errors of the teacher trainees. The result of the error analysis process showed that teacher trainees committed errors in seven types by converting active voice into passive voice. From the frequency of each error types, omission was the error which most frequently produced by the teacher trainees. It took 24% of the total errors. Moreover, 16% errors fell into subject-object, 15% addition, 13% be verb and misinformation, 10% disordering and for singular-plural, it only took 9%. Moreover, the result of the error analysis process showed that teacher trainees committed errors in seven types in converting passive voice into active voice. From the frequency of each error types, omission was the error which most frequently produced by teacher trainees. It took 32% of the total errors. Further,21% errors fell into addition, 13% disordering and misinformation, 10% subject-object,7% singular-plural and lowest one was be verbs (4%).It can be concluded that the most teacher trainees have not mastered yet in transforming active voice sentence into passive voice sentence and passive voice sentence into active voice sentence.

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