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## AN ANALYSIS ON STUDENTS' ERRORS IN USING PREPOSITION OF MOTION and Position

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#### Abstract

The purpose of the research is to identify, classify and explain the errors that the second year students of English at KMOU made in using preposition of motion and position. In this dissertation, the researcher uses a qualitative descriptive method. The researcher reveals the types of errors and explains the sources of error occurred. This research was conducted following procedures of error analysis. The first procedure is collecting sample of learner language to provide the data obtained by giving a test containing of preposition of motion and position to 19 students. The second procedure is identification of errors. The researcher identifies the errors based on the tested area. The third procedure is description of errors which involves describing error forms produced by students. The next is explanation of errors, explaining the reasons of errors occurred. While, the last is error evaluation, evaluating the errors made by students. The result of the researchshows that 151 errors occurred at the second year students of English at KMOU committed errors in using preposition of motion and position. The researcher classifies the type of error occurred is *misinformation* with 151 errors from 380 item number questions. The other finding is sources of errors which divided into two categories. Those are *overgeneralization* (the previous rule influence) and *ignorance of role restrictions* (fail to apply rule influence).

Keyword : Error Analysis, Preposition, Preposition of motion, error and position

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#### Résumé

Cette étude académique vise à se concentrer davantage sur la leçon "prépositions",qui a un titre très important "prépositions de mouvement",que les élèves n'ont pas abordée et n'ont pas non plus atiré l'ttention des enseignants malgré son importance,notamment lors de la traduction et le group cible de notre recherche sont les étudiants de la deuxième année licence en langue anglaise à l'Université du kasdi Merbah ,ouargla,au cours de l'année universitaire 2021 2022.

Un test a été effectué pour les étudiants contenant une préposition pour le mouvement et la position pour découvrir l'étundue de leur connaissance de la différence entre eux.les étudiants ont été sélectionnés au hasard pour former un groupe de 19 étudiants.Cette recherche a prouvé que cette leçon devrait être programmée pour les étudiants ,à cause de son ignorance et plus il a fait d'erreurs.

#### ملخص

تهدف هذه الدراسة الأكاديمية إلى التركيز أكثر على درس "حروف الجر" الذي به عنوان جد مهم وهو "حروف الجر للحركة " والذي لم يتطرق له الطلبة ولم يلفت إنتباه الأساتذة أيضا بالرغم من أهميته خاصة أثناء الترجمة والوقوع في الخطأ فيها .الفنة المستهدفة في بحثنا هم طلبة السنة الثانية ليسانس تخصص لغة إنجليزية بجامعة قاصدي مرباح ورقلة خلال العام الدراسي2022-2021.تم إجراء إختبار للطلبة يحتوي على حرف الجر للحركة والموضع لإكتشاف مدى معرفتهم للفرق بينهما ،إذ تم إختيار الطلبة عشوائيا لتتكون المجموعة من 19طالبا

## List of abbreviations:

EA: errors analysis Mp: motion Prepositions P: prepositions S: student

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## **General introduction**

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## General introduction

## Background of the study

Language plays an important role in human life. One tries to acquire, learn and use Language as a mean of communication and simultaneously as social symbol of humanity. By using Language anyone could make a statement, deliver facts or explain knowledge or report something, also to save social relations.

As one global Language in the world. English is considered and applied as international Language. Since then, it is very popular and used by almost all of people on earth. Generally, all the students who learn English language want to be able to listen, to speak, to read and to write as well, however they face some difficulties in mastering all the aspects of English language.

English grammar is totally different from our mother tongue structure. There are many rules use to correlate or to combine parts of the speech to make a good sentences, just like articles, determiners, pronouns, prepositions and etc. In this thesis we shall focus more on prepositions.

The problem that faces students is that they miss use of prepositions and this due to the luck of awareness, the teachers do not emphasize on teaching these lessons. As a second issue in translation, students make incorrect sentences when translating into mother tongue and visa versa.

Motion prepositions are words that show the direction from a place into another such as: into, over, along, across, up, to, and away from they usually used with verbs of movement and found after the verbs.

## Significance of the study

Brown (2003) points out that a preposition's function is to connect nouns or pronouns to another word in a sentence. Types of prepositions are different there place, time and direction. Motion prepositions are words it can be single or complex to show movement from one place into another such as; into, onto, over, through, along, out of, and etc. usually come after the verbs of movement. The reason behind conducting this research is that most of students do not know how to use motion preposition and talking much more about into and onto and specially when translating from mother tongue into the target language and visa versa, also in other context. The study may enhance the S's awareness of using motion preposition and and should be included as a subtitle in the syllabus for better understanding.

## Objectives of the study

This study is intended to find out weather the students are aware of using onto and into in their writing skills or not. The following are the objectives of the study.

- 1. To introduce the students to motion preposition and specially into and onto.
- 2. To increase student's awareness of motion preposition.
- 3. To improve students writing skills when using into and onto.

#### Statement of the problem

Due to some issues, we have noticed that most of the students in English department do not know how to use into and onto and specially in translation. The particular reason for the circumstance is that they do not know how to use them and the lesson is not include in the syllabus. In this study we tasted the use of motion preposition into and onto in improving writing skills.

#### **Research** questions

- 1. Do the students know motion prepositions?
- 2. Do students have an idea how to use into and onto?
- 3. Do the students tackled the lesson of motion preposition?
- 4. What are the sources of errors?

#### Research hypothesis

the research hypothesis are designed as follows:

We should take into consideration motion preposition as a main subject for students in grammar lessons.

Provide more practice sessions for students, why not more activities to avoid some unexpected mistake in translation or other fields.

#### Methodology

This study was conducted at English department of kasdi merbah university.

1. The sample was selected randomly in the 2<sup>nd</sup> - year undergraduate students.

2. For the method of data collection, we used an exercises.

3. The first exercise consist of 20 gap and the students must fill the gap with the appropriate preposition.

4. Illustrate the students errors in using motion prepositions and positions as a results of the study.

## Structure of the dissertation

This study includes a general introduction, three chapters, recommendations and general conclusion. The first chapter is to the literature review and the previous studies on using grammar translation method and motion prepositions into and onto. The second chapter deals with the population, sample and the technique used to collect data. The last one deals with the analysis of the results and interpretation.

### Limitations of the study

The study was limited to a few students so the results can not be generalized to all students of second year level. The batch system was an issues to do the experiment.

## Definition of the key terms

**Preposition:** is a word that communicates information to a reader by specifying a noun or a pronoun. Recognize examples of these phrases and learn the roles or uses that preposition play in language (Amy Fredrickson, 2021).

**Motion prepositions:** are words shows the movement from one place into another, usually came after the verbs of movement.

**Error analysis:** is a technique to identify or interpreting systematic of errors that made the learner who are studying a foreign language or second language by using theories or procedures based on linguistics.(Deasy Wulandari, 2015)

**Position:** the region the place

Errors: : are a results of one's systematic competence (the learners system is incorrect

Chapter One : literature review

#### section one: prepositions

#### 1 introduction:

Language learning is a process based on building the main skills a learner should take for granted. In the case of English, learners are required to master speaking, reading, writing and listening skills. Grammar contains a large of rules that must be followed in order to enable the learner to use the language in an understandable context. Among the rules, there are prepositions which refer to linking words that clarify language meaning.

#### 2 preposition in Arabic

#### **2\_1\_Definition:**

The precise definition of Prepositions has not settled upon by the Arab grammarians. They describe prepositions as a subcategory of particles. Louchene (2006) stated that prepositions are words that do not have a meaning in and of themselves, but they serve as a connection between other parts of speech

In general, particles in Arabic are words that have a grammatical function, but do not belong to the noun or verb or their variants (Badawi, Carter, Culls.2014)

According to Rani and Hanna (1993), Arab grammarians used to divide Arabic words to three categories; asmaa, afaal, huruuf which represent respectively nouns, verbs and particles.

Wright (1896) noted that prepositions were initially used to denote a relation of location, but they were late adopted to denote the relationship of time and the other forms of relationship, such as instruments, manner, purpose, source or accompaniment. In addition, particles may be used figuratively. There are many Arabic prepositions such as: عند، عدا، حتى، الواو الكاف، إلى، من، في، على الباء.

#### **Examples:**

من المسجد الحرام إلى المسجد الأقصى. يغسل أسنانه بالفرشاة. يضع ملابسه في الخزانة. يكتب على اللوح. والسماء ذات البروج.

3\_ prepositions in English:

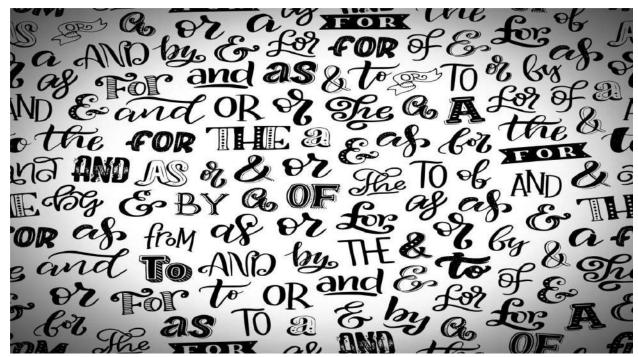


Figure 1 : the most common prepositions.

#### **3\_1 Definition:**

A preposition is a word or a group of words used before a noun, pronoun ,or noun phrase to show direction, time, place, location, spatial relationships or to introduce an object.

A preposition is a word and almost always a very small, very common word that shows direction (to in "a letter to you"), location (at in "at the door"), or time (by in "by noon") or that introduces an object (of in" a basket of apples"). Prepositions are typically followed by an object, which can be noun (noon), a noun phrase (the door), or pronoun (you).

#### 3\_2 prepositions:

The most common prepositions are at, by, for, from, in, of, on, to and with. Other common prepositions are: about, above, across, after, against, along, among, around, because of, before, behind, below, beneath, beside, between, close to, down, during, except, inside of, into, like, near, off, on top of , onto, out of .

#### **3\_3** Forms of Prepositions:

There are two basic types: one-word prepositions and complex prepositions.

#### **3\_3\_1** One Word Prepositions:

These are the simple form prepositions; they have one word. The following are examples: to, up, for, from, down, about, beside, upon, under, over, behind, between, before, near, beneath, beyond, with, throughout, underneath, along, across, behind, outside, towards, in, of, next, though, into, on, off, around, within, at, out, without, onto, below, by, inside, after, except, until, unlike, etc.

#### **3\_3\_2Complex Prepositions:**

According to(JAYMZ BOANERGES)2013. These are prepositions that contain two or extra words. Complex prepositions include: away from, due to the fact of, in the light of, in view to, as an alternative of, in front of, on top of, in place of, except for, round, in addition to, up to, as for, as,

alongside with, according to, against, in spite of, out of, by using potential of, apart from, besides for, with reference to, etc.

#### 3 4 Types of Prepositions in English:

There are many sorts of prepositions. According to Alexander (1988) and Yule (1998) prepositions point out a relationship between one phrase and another word in English and most other languages. Prepositions are divided basically into three primary sorts according to their function: prepositions of place, those of time, and these for different makes use of (not of vicinity and time). But the identical preposition can once in a while be used in exclusive ways. Examples:

- Your lunch is on the table. (Place)
- I noticed Bob on Monday. (Time)
- Do you have any books on Latin America? (Other)

#### **3\_4\_1Prepositions of Place:**

They are prepositions which are used to point out the region the place a factor is located. Quirk, Greenbaum, Leech, & Svartivik (1985) explained that we have many prepositions of place however basically we have three to indicate. The first on is at; it is used to stumble on a factor at a sure place. For example: The store is at the end of the street. You can pay at the exit/entrance of the parking. She is ready for me at the corner of the street. But we have some exceptions which do now not observe this rule. For example: at home/ at work/at college/at the office/at school/at the side.

The second one is in, it is used for spaces. For examples: in Egypt/ in London/in the living room/ in the market/in the bag/ in the building. But we have some exceptions which do no longer comply with this rule. For example: in the book/in newspaper/in magazine/ in the sky. The 0.33 one is on, it is used for surfaces. For example: on the roof/ on the sofa/ on the bike/on the cover/ on the page. But there are some exceptions which do now not observe this rule. For example: on the laptop/ on the right/on the way

#### **3 4 2Prepositions of Time**

They are prepositions which are used to indicate time relationship between nouns. According to Greenbaum (1997), we have many prepositions of time however essentially we have three to illustrate. The first one is at; it is used for unique time. For example: at nine o'clock/ at 4:30pm/ at the moment/at the identical time/at the existing time/at sunrises/at sunset/at noon.

At night is an exception to this rule.

The 2nd one is in; it is used for duration of time such as months, years, decades, and for a long time. For example: in April/ in 2002/ in the 70's/ in this century. But there are exceptions to this rule; for example: in the morning/in the afternoon/in the evening. The 1/3 one is on; it is used for days. For example: on Sunday/ on June (the) first/ on the following day.

#### 3\_4\_3 Prepositions of Movement

There are many prepositions which have exclusive functions and used for different purposes. But the researcher is interested in this study in the prepositions of movement; they are prepositions which are used to exhibit motion to or from a place. Quirk, Greenbaum, Leech, & Svartivik (1985) indicate that we have many prepositions of movement however basically we have ten prepositions of movement to highlight in this study.

The first one is to which is used when you have a unique vacation spot in your mind. The destination can be a variety of matters like:

A place, for example: I am going to the university.

An event, for example: Are you going to the party?

A person, for example: I am going to your father to talk about you.

## 4\_Motion prepositions:

Prepositions of Movement! A preposition can provide us with statistics on the relationship between two phrases inside a sentence, one such relationship is motion of something in the sentence. For example, 'the auto drove alongside the street' This indicates us the place something was going and permits us to apprehend what is being talked about more clearly.

Prepositions of motion or direction are used to show movement from one area to another. These prepositions are most regularly used with verbs of motion and are determined after the verb. Preposition of movement examples:

She became her returned to the audience.

He looked straight into her eyes.

She pushed her face in the direction of him.

They rode along slim united states lanes.

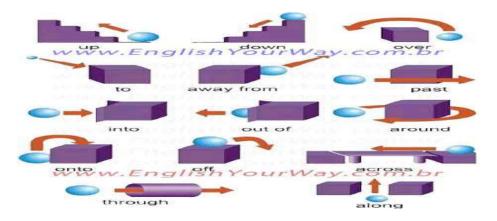


Figure 2: the use of motion prepositions.

#### **4\_1\_forms of motion prepositions:**

Let us discuss the important prepositions of motion one by one

Into, along, across, towards, to, by, through, around, up, down, off, onto, over, past.

#### \* Into

'into' Indicates the movement from the outside to the inside of something.

Like – 'into the pond', 'into the fire'.

#### \* Along

'along' Indicates movement from one end to the other end.

Like – 'along the river bank', 'along the road'.

#### \*Across

'across' indicates movement from one side to the other of something.

Like- 'across the road', 'across the sea.

#### \* Towards

'towards' is used to mean 'in the direction of'.

Like- 'towards the north', 'towards Delhi'

#### \*To

'to' is used to indicate the destination.

Like - 'to America', 'to the shop', 'to your house', 'to school'

#### \*By'

by' expresses the means of an action.

Like - 'by train', 'by coaching', 'by sea'

#### \* Through'

'through' denotes motion within an object from one end to the other.

Like - 'through the tunnel', 'through the room'

#### \*Around

around' indicates to go in a circular direction due to an obstacle.

Like - 'around the world', 'around the park.

#### \*up

'up' Indicates the movement of ascent.

Like – 'up the tree', 'up the ladder.

#### \*Down

down' indicates the motion of descent.

Like - 'down the stairs', 'down the road'

#### \*Off

'off' indicates the motion away from a surface.

Like – 'off the wall', 'off the ceiling'.

#### \*onto'

'onto' indicates motion of ascent and the present place of anyone.

Like - 'onto the table', 'onto the roof'

\*over'

'over' indicates the motion to pass above something.

Like - 'over the pool', 'over the fence'

#### \*past'

'past' indicates motion to a place further than a particular point.

Like - 'past the post office', 'past her house'

5-Into: 'into' Indicates the movement from the outside to the inside of something.

Like – 'into the pond', 'into the fire'.

Let us see an example sentence -

The preposition into is used to talk about the movement that enters a space, usually with a verb that expresses movement.

Examples:

Don't put new wine into old bottles.

He looked straight into her eyes.

She swerved and crashed into the fence



Figure 3: the Preposition into.

6\_Onto: 'onto' indicates motion of ascent and the present place of anyone.



Figuer4: the preposition onto

Like - 'onto the table', 'onto the roof'

The preposition **onto** is used to talk about movement to a position on a surface, usually with a verb that expresses movement

Example: I slipped as I stepped onto the platform.

## 7\_ In vs on:

According to Surbhi (2018), prepositions are the words that are used in sentences to exhibit location or the relationship between the noun or pronoun with the different aspect in the clause. English audio system commonly face confusion in using prepositions like 'in' and 'on'. We use the word 'in 'when we speak about a state of affairs in which some thing is enclosed via some thing else.

On the different hand, 'on 'is used to speak about a state of affairs when the object is positioned above or backyard something else. Now, let's take a look at these examples to recognize them in a higher way: When I was in London, I was working on a purchaser Project.

I don't know what's going on, in her mind.

In the first sentence, 'in' is used with the name of the country, while 'on' is used to exhibit a relation with something. In the next sentence, 'in' is used to express some thing closed off by way of some thing else, whilst on is used to exhibit a process.

## 8\_ON VS ONTO:

We use on when we refer to a function on a floor (on the table, on the ocean, on the moon, on the roof, on the bus):

\*Your keys are on the table.

\*The guys were standing on the roof.

We use onto to discuss about course or movement to a position on a surface, commonly with a verb that expresses movement:

\*The cat climbed onto the roof.

\*She emptied the suitcase full of garments onto the floor.

We use on to describe a function alongside a street or river or through way of the sea or with the resource of a lake:

The inn is on the street opposite the beach.

They have a first-rate residence on a lake in Ireland.

We use onto to describe movement towards an end function alongside a road or river:

The route leads onto the most vital road.

We use on or onto with very little difference in that capacity to refer to attachment or movement of something to some factor else. Onto offers a greater suited feeling of movement:

There's a battery pack with the digital camera that you can clip onto a belt.

You can save the statistics onto your tough disk.

Have you put the snap photographs on your reminiscence stick?

#### 8\_1 The difference between on and onto:

The prepositions on and onto can be used in many of the identical sentences, which makes them confusing. However, their meanings are no longer exactly the same, and they are now not constantly interchangeable.

Onto has the phrase to in it, which reminds us that its meaning consists of the sense of movement in the direction of something. The preposition on does now not have this sense of movement, and it tells you solely about location.

This distinction is challenging to see in the examples you have requested about, due to the fact the verb, put, itself, suggests transferring something from one area to another, and the object, bag, ends up in the identical region in each sentences.

1.He put the bag on the table.

2.He put the bag onto the table.

The distinction is simpler to draw close in these two sentences:

1.Louie drove his golf cart on the sidewalk.

2.Louie drove his golf cart onto the sidewalk.

The meanings of these two sentences are very different. Sentence 1 tells us only the place Louie used to be driving. Sentence two tells us that Louie started someplace else (probably the avenue or the driveway), and moved in the course of the sidewalk, where he ended up.

#### 9 In vs Into

According to (Lisa Scott) The distinction between in and into is whether or not or no longer there is movement. Into is used when something or any individual is going or being put into every other location. In is used to describe where anybody or something already is.

Ex: She is in the room. She walked into the room.

The toy is in the box. The boy put the toy into the box.

In American English, we occasionally use the two prepositions interchangeably. Ex: She obtained in the car. She acquired into the car. Both are desirable

#### 10 Into vs in to:

According to (Catherine Traffic). A frequent error is to confuse into, spelled as one word, with the two words in to. When determining which is right for your sentence, have in mind that into is a preposition that suggests what something is within or inside. As separate words, in and to occasionally simply wind up subsequent to every other.

Generally speaking, into locations something bodily inner something else. The issue that does the containing can also be concrete or it may additionally be abstract.

#### Example:

Please put the cat into his carrier so we can go see the vet.

Confusion regarding into vs. in to absolutely solely arises because in our mind's ear, the two sound exactly the same. But the decision about which one to use is generally a easy one to make. Does some thing wind up within something else by the give up of your sentence, whether or not it be within something concrete, like a box, or some thing abstract, like a time frame? If the answer is yes, you want to write into as one word.

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Into or In To-How Do I Use Them?

A common error is to confuse into, spelled as one word, with the two words in to. When deciding which is right for your sentence, remember that into is a preposition that shows what something is within or inside. As separate words, in and to sometimes simply wind up next to each other.

Generally speaking, into places something physically inside something else. The thing that does the containing may be concrete or it may be abstract.

\_Please put the cat into his carrier so we can go see the vet.

\_She placed her letter into a pink envelope and drew a heart.

\_Fred touched the amulet and was whisked off into another dimension.

\_Felicia neatly sorted all her files into separately labeled folders.

Confusion regarding into vs. in to really only arises because in our mind's ear, the two sound exactly the same. But the decision about which one to use is usually a simple one to make. Does something wind up within something else by the end of your sentence, whether it be within something concrete, like a box, or something abstract, like a time frame? If the answer is yes, you need to write into as one word.

Feeling more confident? Naturally, there is an exception to this rule, just to mess you up.

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In developing countries, ceramic filters are often used to transform dirty water into clean, drinkable water.

Predictably, Cinderella's coach turned into a pumpkin at midnight.

#### 10\_2 In and to as neighboring words:

In and to are both prepositions or adverbs in their own right (and in may sometimes be an adjective). When they fall logically next to each other in a sentence, you may find yourself having to resist the temptation to squish them together typographically.

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I dropped into say hello. Incorrect\_

I dropped in to say hello. correct

Is say hello a place you can drop into and land inside of? No, it isn't. So in and to should be written as two words. Dropped in is a phrasal verb in this case, and to is part of the infinitive to say.

Phrasal verbs used as prepositions in combination with to also cause problems.

The sides of the shade turn into provide additional sun protection. Incorrect

The sides of the shade turn in to provide additional sun protection. Correct

#### 12 Onto vs on to:

According to (Gabriele 2013) onto – by definition this word means to be in a position "on" something, to be on top of, or upon. For example: He hopped onto the seat of his bike and rode away. Onto can also mean 'fully aware of' or 'informed about.'

For example: The police were onto what the criminals planned to do next.

On to - the use of on to is the connection of the adverb "on" and the proposition "to" and belongs to a verbal phrase.

For example: He held on to the handlebars of his bike as he rode.

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#### 14 Into vs onto:

According to (Sucharita Datta) 'Onto' is used to express movement on a surface and is mostly used with a verb that denotes movement. It is generally used in two conditions. One would be when you mean 'being aware of'

- He is onto something.

Second would be when you want to either convey the meaning 'on top of' – He is climbing onto that tree, or convey the meaning 'upon'

- The boy leaped onto his horse.

The preposition 'Into' indicates direction and motion and also that an action is taking place.

\*He rammed the car into the lamp post.

\* She quickly stuffed the sweets into her mouth.

The difference between the two would be that 'Into' mostly expresses movement or action with the result that someone or something becomes enclosed or surrounded by something else.

## 15\_ Into vs onto vs unto:

According to Benjamin (2012), unto means to or towards a place or person. It is not used much at all any more. Samuel gave a letter unto his friend. (Nobody, NOBODY speaks like that anymore. You will find this kind of English in the Bible, or maybe a translation of the Koran or some hadith... you only need to know it when you read it. I do not think that I have ever used this word in the 50+ years I have been writing and speaking, including university, law practice, and academic writing.

Into means "moved to the inside of". It is one of the meanings of "in" here. I put the money into my pocket. I put the money in my pocket. Both mean the same thing. But "into" requires movement to the inside of something. So, I can say "I live in London", but I cannot say "I live into London", because living does not have any movement from one point to another. I can say "I moved into London", because moving includes movement from one place to another.

Oddly, you cannot say "I moved in London" and mean "I moved into London". "I moved in London" means I did not leave London; all my moving was done inside the city limits of London. To say "I moved into London", you can say "I moved to London", because "to" here shows destination, like "I went to the store".

Why does "I put the money in my pocket" work? I think this is just the verb "put". We do not say "I put the money to my pocket" at all. And when i say "I moved my money in my pocket", I mean that i put my hand into my pocket and moved my money around, without taking the money out of my pocket.

"Onto" means "on" plus "to-as-a-destination". Thus, like "into", "onto" means movement from one place to another, this time "on top of", rather than "inside of".

"The cat jumped onto the table." The can jumped, and landed on top of the table.

"The can jumped into the table." is strange. This means that the cat jumped, and somehow got inside the table. Normally, there is no "inside" to a table. Inside is only for boxes, or bags, or other similar containers.

You can say "the cat jumped on the table", meaning either that the cat, while on the table, jumped up and down (cats do not usually act like that, though), or meaning that the can jumped onto the table.

## section two errors analysis

Errors, dedicated by way of the 2nd of overseas language learners, are an inevitable phase of language learning. Through making errors, and hearing the right types from the teacher, rookies can advance their skills. So blunders and their analysis is positive for both inexperienced persons and teachers.

## 1 Definition of Error

The existing researcher makes use of the time period "error" to refer to a systematic deviation from a chosen norm or a set of norms of a goal language. In Bangladeshi schooling system, for instance, the selected norms "standard British English".

However, the professionals present a number of definitions of the single time period "error". Basically those definitions incorporate the equal meaning whilst the difference lies solely on the ways they formulate them.

Norrish (1987), to define the term, comments:

"...error is a systematic deviation, when a learner has not learnt some thing and consistently receives it wrong"

Cunning well worth (1987:87) remarks:

"Errors are systematic deviations from the norms of the language being learned."

Here the phrase 'systematic deviation' capability "the deviation which happens many times

## 2 Difference between Error and Mistake

**2-1 Mistake:** A mistake refers to a performance error that is either a random guess or a slip in that it is a failure to utilize a known system correctly.

**2-2 Error:** An error, a noticeable deviation from the adult grammar of a native speaker, reflects the competence of the learner.

**2-3 Mistakes:** are what the researchers have referred to as performance errors (the learner knows the system, but fails to use it) while

2-4 errors: are a results of one's systematic competence (the learners system is incorrect)



Figure 5: Differences between errors and mistake

## 3 Definition of Error Analysis

Error analysis is an activity to reveal errors committed by students both in writing and speaking.

Richards et.al (1985:96) states:

"Error analysis is the study of errors made by the second and foreign language learners."

Brown (1980:166) defines error analysis as:

"...the process to observe, analyze, and classify the deviations of the rules of the second language and then to reveal the systems operated by learner."

Crystal (1987:112) comments:

"...error analysis is a technique for identifying, classifying and systematically interpreting the unacceptable forms produced by someone learning a foreign language, using any of the principles and procedures provided by linguistics."

Considering above definitions, we can say that- error analysis is an activity to identify, describe, interpret, evaluate and prevent the errors made by the learners.

## 4 Classification/types of Error

Corder (1971) classifies "Errors" into two types such as:

#### **4-1 Errors of Competence**

are the result of the application of the rules which do not correspond to the target language norm. It occurs when SL/FL learners do not know the rules of target language adequately.

#### 4 - 2. Errors of performance

are the outcome of the mistakes in language such as false starts or slips of the tongue. It happens when the learners suffer from stress, indecision, conflict, fatigue etc.

Again "Errors of Competence" are divided into two kinds:

**1. 'Interlingual Error**: It depends on linguistic differences between the first language and the target language, and is traditionally interpreted as interference problem.

**2. Intralingual Error**: It relates to a specific interpretation of the target language and manifests itself as a universal phenomenon in any language learning process. It is mainly over-generalization found in both the first language and the target language learning.

Burt and Kiparsky (1975) suggests fundamentally two types of error such as:

1. Local Error: It affects merely apart, clause or phrase, of a sentence.

2.Global Error: It affects the interpretation of the whole sentence.

5 Sources /Causes of Errors: In his "A Non-Contrastive Approach to Error Analysis", Richards (1971:19-22) shows the four main causes of errors.

**5-1 Over-generalization**: Richards says that "Over-generalization covers instances where the learner creates a deviant structure on the basis of his experience of other structures in the target language." A learner may write "She walked fastly to catch the bus" because he already knows "He walked quickly to catch the train"

**5-2. Incomplete application of rules**: It involves a failure to fully develop a structure. Thus learners are observed to use declarative word order in questions such as "You like to play?" instead of "Do you like to play?"

**5-3.** False concepts hypothesized: It arises when the learners do not fully comprehend a distinction in the target language, for example, the use of 'was' as the marker of the past tense, as in the sentence "one day it was happened".

**5-4. Ignorance of rule restriction**: it involves the application of rules to contexts where they do not apply. An example is "He made me to laugh" through extinction of the pattern found with the majority of verbs that take infinitival complements, for example, he asked/wanted / invited me to go.

Brown (1980:173-181) shows us the four sources of error. They are as follow

1. interlingual transfer: that is the negative influence of the mother tongue of learner.

2. intralingual transfer: that is the incorrect generalization of rules within the target language.

**3. Context of learning:** which overlaps both types of transfer, for example, the classroom with its teacher and its materials. In a classroom context the teacher or the textbook can lead the learner to make wrong generalization about the language.

4. **Communication strategies. Sometimes:** the communication strategies can lead the student to make error. There are five main communication strategies, Namely-Avoidance, Prefabricated patterns, Cognitive and personality style, Appeal to authority, and Language Switch.

Norrish (1983:21-26) classifies causes of error into three types which are:

1. Carelessness, the lack of motivation

2. First language interference with the habit formation of target language

3. Translation of idiomatic expression in to the target language word by word

Significance of Error Analysis (153)

Errors, both in first language and target language, are inevitable in the language learning process. Errors, handled in error analysis, are significant in three different ways.

Firstly, learners' errors are significant to the teacher, as Cored (1987), the forerunner of EA, explains:

"...to the teacher in that they (error) tell him (the teacher), if he undertakes a systematic analysis, how far towards the goal the learner has progressed, and consequently what remains for him (learner) to learn."

Secondly, errors are important to the researcher as Corder (1987), remarks:

"...they provide to the researcher evidence of how language is learned or acquired, what strategies or procedures the learner is employing in his discovery of the language."

Thirdly, errors are the most momentous to the student as Corder (1987), comments:

"...they are indispensable to the learner himself, because we can regard the making of errors as a device the learner uses in order to learn

Chapter two: methodology and data analysis

This chapter discusses research methodology which is broken down into research design, position and time of research, population and sample, research instrument, technique of collecting data, and technique of analysis data.

## 1- Research Design

The design of this research applied qualitative descriptive method. It is because the data collected and presented in words rather than numbers. Theresearcher uses a case study of the design of research which the data analysis focused on one phenomenon. In this case, the researcher focuses on the students" errors in using of preposition of motion and position.

To get the data, the researcher visited the met second year students of English at kasdi Merbah University to observe the teaching learning process and gave the test focused on the use of preposition of motion and position.

After getting data, the researcher analyzed them. The analysis involved identifying and describing the data of students'' errors from the test given. The researcher analyzed the errors to determine the types of errors and to classify the source of errors. To describe the data, the researcher used Surface Strategy Taxonomy. Furthermore, the researcher used Jack C. Richard''s theory to knowthe sources of errors that students'' made.

The researcher presented types of errors in the tables and used the descriptive analysis technique to describe the frequency of occurrence, whether those errors are most serious or less serious.

## 2- position and Time of Research

The research was conducted at the second year students of English at KMOU . That was held over period of time from April  $17^{th}$  to  $20^{st}$  2021.

#### 3- Population and Sample

The population of the research was the second year students of English at KMOU. The population numbers consisted of two groups but the researcher took the sample in one group only, 19 students from the second year, using a purposive sampling to collect the data.

According to Patton, purposive sampling is selecting information-rich cases for study indepth when wants to understand something about those cases without needing or desiring to generalize to all such cases. In this research, the researcher intends to increase the utility of information obtained from small sample then searches for *information-rich* key information to study. Selecting students can best helping to understand phenomenon, especially about students" errors in using preposition of motion and position.

## 4- Research Instrument

The researcher used the test as research instrument to collect the data. The test was given to second year students of English at KMOU focused on the use of preposition of motion and position . The test consisted 20 item numbers questions which included preposition of position on 3 item numbers, preposition of motion in 3 item numbers, preposition of position at 2 item numbers, preposition of motion on 4 item numbers, preposition of motion in 5 item numbers, and preposition of position at 3 item numbers. Those item numbers were filling the blanks.

## 5 -Technique of Collecting Data

In techniques of collecting data, the researcher gave the test to second year students of English at KMOU. The researcher hoped that she/he could find some errors made by students in using preposition of motion and position. Meanwhile, before giving the test, she/he observed the teaching learning process in the classroom.

## 6-Technique of Analysis Data

In this technique of analysis data, the researcher followed the steps inconducting an error analysis adopted from Corder. First, she/he collected the sampleof learner language by giving test to the sample of research, in this case the use ofpreposition of motion and position . The data was used to answer the research questions. The second, the researcher analyzed data from the collected data whether students made errors or not. The next, he classified the errors made by the second year students of English at KMOU in using preposition of motion and position into the types of errors which presented in the table.

The fourth, the researcher explained the errors, explaining the reasons of errors occurred. In this step, he classified the errors into the sources of errors, using Jack C. Richard's theory. The last, the researcher evaluated the errors as a supplementary procedure for applying the result of an error analysis which involved determining the gravity of different errors with a view to deciding whichones should receive

## Chapter three : RESEARCH FINDING

This chapter discusses research finding which consists of data description, data analysis, and data interpretation.

### **1** Data Description

The researcher gave the test to the second grade second year students of English at KMOU. The test was focused on the use of preposition of position and motion consisted of 20 item numbers to 19 students with 380 sentence questions. The table of test area as follows:

Table 4.1 Table of Test Area

No.	Kinds of Preposition	Items	Item Numbers
1.	Preposition of position on	7, 12, 16	3
2.	Preposition of position in	1, 8, 9	3
3.	Preposition of motion into	2, 18	2
4.	Preposition of motion onto	11, 14, 15, 20	4
5.	Preposition of position in	4, 5, 6, 10, 19	5
6.	Preposition of position at	3, 13, 17	3
	Total	20	20

Based on the table above, the tested area was focused on the use of preposition of position and motion, they were: preposition of position on (item numbers are7, 12, and 16), preposition of time in (item numbers are 1, 8, and 9), preposition of manata (item numbers are 2 and 18), preposition of motion on (item numbers are 11,14, 15, and 20), preposition of position in (item numbers are 4, 5, 6, 10, and 19) and preposition of position at (item numbers are 3, 13, and 17). Total of test area was 20 item numbers.

After gave the test, the researcher collected and analyzed the students" answer sheet. The score of test result as the table follows

No.	Sample	Score	No.	Sample	Score
1.	Student 1	50	11.	Student 11	45
2.	Student 2	65	12.	Student 12	70
3.	Student 3	60	13.	Student 13	80
4.	Student 4	70	14.	Student 14	55
5.	Student 5	70	15.	Student 15	60
6.	Student 6	70	16.	Student 16	45
7.	Student 7	65	17.	Student 17	60
8.	Student 8	80	18.	Student 18	45
9.	Student 9	60	19.	Student 19	45
10.	Student 10	50			
Aver	age Score				60,26
High	est Score				80
Lowe	st Score				45

Table 4

Based on the table above, the researcher found the students" score of test result about preposition of position and motion. The average score was 60.26, the highest score was 80 (student 8 and 13) while the lowest score was 45 (student11, 16, and 19).

From the data collected, the researcher breaks down the Students" error occurrence based on the six areas, they are: preposition of position (on, in) and preposition of motion (onto, into). The results of the data analysis as follows:

No.	Preposition of position	Item	Frequency of Error
1.		7	6
2.	On	12	16
3.		16	4
	Total	3	26

### 1. Preposition of position On Table 4.3 Students' Error in Preposition of position On

on the table above, it could be stated that the frequency of students" error in preposition of time on were: 6 students made errors in item number 7, 16 students made errors in item number 12, and 4 students made errors in item number 16. There were 26 errors in students" answers

### 2. Preposition of position In

### Table 4.4 Students' Error in Preposition of position In

No.	Preposition of position	Item	Frequency of
			Error
1.		1	2
2.	In	8	9
3.		9	1
	Total	3	12

Based on the table above, it could be stated that the frequency of students" error in preposition of position in were: 2 students made errors in item number 1, 9 students made errors in item number 8, and 1 student made errors in item number 9. There were 12 errors in students" answers.

### Preposition of motion onto

#### Table 4.5 Students' Error in Preposition of motion onto

No.	Preposition of motion	Item	Frequency of Error
1.	onto	2	5
2.		18	5
	Total	2	10

Based on the table above, it could be stated that the frequency of students" error in preposition of **motion** at were: 5 students made errors in item number 2, and 5 students made errors in item number 18. There were 10 errors in students" answers.

### 3. Preposition of motion Onto

### Table 4.6 Students' Error in Preposition of motion Onto

No.	Preposition of motion	Item	Frequency of Error
1.		11	8
2.	onto	14	13
3.		15	10
4.		20	7
<b>_</b>	Total	4	38

Based on the table above, it could be stated that the frequency of students" error in preposition of motion on were: 8 students made errors in item number 11, 13 students made errors in item number 14, 10 students made errors in item number 15, and 7 students made errors in item number 20. There were 38 errors in students" answers.

### 5\_ Preposition of position In

No.	Preposition of position	Item	Frequency of Error
1.		4	11
2.		5	6
3.	In	6	3
4.		10	2
5.		19	9
	Total	5	31

#### Table 4.7 Students' Error in Preposition of position In

Based on the table above, it could be stated that the frequency of students" error in preposition of position in were: 11 students made errors in itemnumber 4, 6 students made errors in item number 5, 3 students made errors in item number 6, 2 students made errors in item number 10, and 9 studentsmade errors in item number 19. There were 31 errors in students" answers.

### 4. Preposition of position At

### Table 4.8 Students' Error in Preposition of position At

No.	Preposition of position	Item	Frequency of
			Error
1.		3	10
2.	At	13	12
3.		17	12
	Total	3	34

Based on the table above, it could be stated that the frequency of students" error in preposition of position at were: 10 students made errors in itemnumber 3, 12 students made errors

in item number 13, and 12 students made errors in item number 17. There were 34 errors in students" answers.

#### **B.** Data Analysis

#### **1. Description of Errors**

In this part, the researcher intends to analyze the data from the test given to the second year students of English at KMOU. It is focused on indentifying and describing the errors made by the students in using preposition of motion and position. The researcher uses the types of errors based on surface strategy taxonomy to classify the students" errors. The results of the data analysis as follows:

## Table 4.9 The Identification of Students' Error in Using Preposition ofPosition On

\*S = Student

Item	*S	Identificatio	Classification	Cause of	Correction of
No.		n of Errors	of Errors	Error	Errors
	S2	We have a	Misformation	Ignorance of	We have a plan to
	S3	plan to go to		Rule	go tolive on an
7	<b>S</b> 6	live in an		Restrictions	isle
	<b>S</b> 7	isle .			
	S10				
	S11				
	S2	I study in	Misformation	Overgenerali	I study at Ouargla
	S12	Ouargla		zation	University
	S13	University			
	S14				
	S15				
	S10	We are at the	Misformation	Ignorance of	We are in the
		university right now		Rule	university right
				Restrictions	now

Based on the table above, there were 6 students who made errors in item number 7, 16 students made errors in item number 12 and 4 students made errors in item number 16. it could be stated that the most of students errors in using prepositions of position on occurred in number 12.

Table 4.10 The Identification of Students' Error in Using Preposition of
Motion Into

Item	*S	Identification	Classification	Cause of	Explanation of
No.		of Errors	of Errors	Errors	Errors
1	S2	I went to the	Mis-formation	Ignorance of	I went to the room.
	S11	room.		Rule	
				Restrictions	
	S1	I put the pen in	Mis-formation	Overgenerali	I put the pen into
	S4	my pocket.		zation	my pocket.
	S8				
8	S14				
0	S2	I splashed in the	Mis-formation	Ignorance of	I splashed into the
	S3	water		Rule	water
	S9			Restrictions	
	S10				
	S11				

Based on the table above, there were 9 students who made errors initem number 1, 2 students made errors in item number 8, . It could be stated that the most of students" errors in using preposition of time in occurred in number 8.

Table 4.11 The Identification of Students' Error in Using Preposition of Motion onto

Item	*S	Identification	Classification	Cause of	Explanation of
No.		of Errors	of Errors	Errors	Errors
	S15	I usually put my	Misformation	Ignorance of	I usually put my
		phone on the desk		Rule	phone onto the
		uton		Restrictions	desk
2	S1	We	Misformation	Overgenerali	I usually study
	S2			zation	English <i>at night</i>
	S5				
	S14				
	S7	My English	Misformation	Ignorance of	My English
	S12	class begins		Rule	class begins at
18	S19	on 10:30		Restrictions	10:30
	S14	My English	Misformation	Ignorance of	My English
	S16	class begins in		Rule	class begins at
		10:30		Restrictions	10:30

Based on the table above, there were 5 students who made errors in item number 2 and 5 students made errors in item number 18. It could be stated that the students' errors in using preposition of time at occurred both were same.

Item	*S	Identification	Classification	Cause of	Explanation of
No.		of Errors	of Errors	Errors	Errors
	S4	There is a	Misformation	Ignorance	There is a
	S5	picture in		ofRule	picture on
	S10	thewall		Restrictions	thewall
11	S11				
	S17				
	S18				
	S3	There is a	Misformation	Ignorance	There is a
	S18	picture at		ofRule	picture on
		the		Restrictions	the
		wall			wall
	S4	There is a	Misformation	Ignorance	There is a post
	S8	postoffice in		ofRule	office on
	S14	Alistiklal		Restrictions	Alistiklal
	S16	Street			Street
14	S18				
	S14	There is a post	Misformation	Overgeneral	There is a post
	S16	office <i>at</i> Alistiklal		ization	office on
		Street			Alistiklal
					Street
	S3	There is a	Misformation	Ignorance	There is a
	S10	novel "The		ofRule	novel"The
	S11	Alchemist" in		Restrictions	Alchemist" on
	S12	mydesk			my desk
	S13				
15	S17				
	S18				
	S19				
	S1	There is a	Misformation	Ignorance of	There is a novel
	S9	novel "The Alchemist		Rule	"The Alchemist

### Table 4.12 The Identification of Students' Error in Using Preposition of position On

		" at my		Restrictions	" on my
		desk			desk
	S1	Look! There	Misformation	Ignorance	Look! There is
	S4	isa man <i>in the</i>		ofRule	aman <i>on the</i>
	S10	roof		Restrictions	roof
20	S15				
	S16				
	S18				
	S19				

Based on the table above, there were 8 students who made errors in item number 11, 7 students made errors in item number 14, 10 students made errors in item number 15, and 7 students made errors in item number 20. It could be stated that the most of students" errors in using preposition of position on occurred in number 15.

# Table 4.13 The Identification of Students' Error in Using Preposition ofposition In

Item	*S	Identification	Classification	Cause of	Explanation of
No.		of Errors	of Errors	Errors	Errors
	S6	Where is	Misformation	Ignorance of	Where is David?
	S9	David? He is		Rule	He is reading
		reading book		Restrictions	book <i>in the</i>
		on the library			library
	<b>S</b> 1	Where is	Misformation	Overgenerali	Where is David?
4	S7	David? He is		zation	He is reading
	S10	reading book			book <i>in the</i>
	S11	at the library			library
	S12				
	S14				
	S16				

	S18				
	S19				
	S5	There is a	Misformation	Ignorance of	There is a bottle
	S9	bottle of milk		Rule	of milk <i>in the</i>
5	S11	on the		Restrictions	refrigerator
	S14	refrigerator			
	S15				
	S16				
	S1	Anne used to	Misformation	Ignorance of	Anne used to
	S7	look at the		Rule	look at the stars
		stars on the		Restrictions	in the sky when
6		sky when			she felt lonely
		she			
		felt lonely			
	S4	Anne used to	Misformation	Ignorance of	Anne used to
		look at the		Rule	look at the stars
		stars at the		Restrictions	in the sky when
		sky when			she felt lonely
		she			
	S6	felt lonely	Misformation	I	
	30	Olempo is the	Wisionnation	Ignorance of	Olempo is the
		beautiful city		Rule	beautiful city <i>in</i>
10	<u>C1</u>	on Greek	NC C C	Restrictions	Greek
10	S1	Olempo is the	Misformation	Ignorance of	Olempo is the
		beautiful city		Rule	beautiful city <i>in</i>
		at Indonesia		Restrictions	Greek
	S9	My mother	Misformation	Ignorance of	My mother
	S15	cooks fried		Rule	cooks fried rice
	S16	rice on kitchen		Restrictions	in kitchen
10	S12	My mother	Misformation	Ignorance of	My mother
19	S13	cooks fried		Rule	cooks fried rice
	S14	rice at kitchen		Restrictions	in kitchen
	S17				
	S18				
	S19				

Based on the table above, there were 11 students who made errors in item number 4, 6 students made errors in item number 5, 3 students made errors in item number 6, 2 students made errors in item number 10, and 9 students made errors in item number 19. It could be stated that the most of students" errors in using preposition of position in occurred in number 4.

Item	*S	Identification	Classificatio	Cause of	Explanation of
No.		of Errors	n of Errors	Errors	Errors
	S10	My friend takes	Misformation	Ignorance of	My friend takes
	S11	an English		Rule	an English
	S14	course on BEC		Restrictions	course at BEC
3	S18	(Basic English			(Basic English
	S19	Course)			Course)
	S2	My friend takes	Misformation	Overgenerali	My friend takes
	S3	an English		zation	an English
	S5	course in BEC			course at BEC
	S8	(Basic English			(Basic English
	S17	Course)			Course)
	S4	Marta lives on	Misformation	Overgenerali	Marta lives at
	S8	21Semanggi II		zation	21Semanggi II
	S14	Street			Street
13	S16				
10	S18				
	S14	Marta lives in	Misformation	Ignorance of	Marta lives at
	S16	88 Oxford		Rule	88 Oxford
		Street		Restrictions	Street
	S1	I hear the	Misformation	Ignorance of	I hear the
	S6	doorbell. I		Rule	doorbell. I think
	S9	think there is		Restrictions	there is

# Table 4.14 The Identification of Students' Error in Using Preposition ofposition At

	S10	somebody on			somebody at the
	S16	the door			door
17	S3	I hear the	Misformation	Ignorance of	I hear the
	S11	doorbell. I		Rule	doorbell. I think
	S12	think there is		Restrictions	there is
	S15	somebody in			somebody at the
	S17	the door			door
	S18				
	S19				

Based on the table above, there were 10 students who made errors in item number 3, 12 students made errors in item number 13, and 12 students made errors in item number 17. It could be stated that the most of students" errors in using preposition of position at occurred in number 13 and 17.

#### 2. Discussion of Errors

Every student is given 20 item numbers of test. It means there are 380 total sentences collected from 19 students. The test is focused on the use of preposition of motion and position. From the collecting data, the researcher collected 151 errors. Based on the error occurrences, the researcher classifies that the errors are totally misformation.

Misformation occurred when the students choose or use the wrongform of a morpheme or a structure, such as the following examples:

- I usually get up early *on* the morning. (committed by students 2 and 11)
- I hear the doorbell. I think there is somebody *in* the door. (committedby students 3, 11, 12, 15, 17, 18, and 19)
- We have a plan to go to an isle. *at* 27<sup>th</sup> August. (committed bystudents 2, 3, 6, 7, 10, and 11)

The sentences above show that students use the wrong preposition of the sentence structures. It is a result of misformation in regularization in using preposition of motion and position.

The use of preposition of time *on* in a sentence "I usually get up early *on* the morning" actually is not correct preposition to precede the noun phrase "the morning". Because *on* is used for a day of the week. "The morning" is a part of the day that shows the period of the time. So it should be preposition of time *in*.

Meanwhile, the sentence "I hear the doorbell. I think there is somebody *in* the door" is not correct also. "The door" shows the specific or point of position, so it should be preposition of position *at* to precede the noun phrase "the door". Finally, the use preposition of time *at* in a sentence "we have a plan to go to an isle . at 27<sup>th</sup> August" is incorrect. It is simply differentfunction between preposition of time *at* and *on* in this case. *At* is used to show clock times while *on* is used for date of the month. It should be preposition of time *on* for correct answer.

Suggested corrections are:

- I usually get up early *in* the morning.
- I hear the doorbell. I think there is somebody *at* the door.
- We have a plan to go to an isle . *on* 27<sup>th</sup> August.

Furthermore, the researcher intends to explain the error by finding outthe sources of error. There are two main sources of error are considered: overgeneralization and ignorance of rule restrictions.

Overgeneralization is one of the common causes of error in this research. It is generally happens when the students apply the previous rule that have learned before to another pattern that has a different rule. For examples:

- Julia was born *on* 1998. (committed by students 1, 4, 8, and 14)
- I usually study English *in* night. (committed by students 1, 2, 5, and 14)
- There is a Post Office *at* Alistikla Street. (committed by students 3, 6,9, 10, 11, 15, 17, and 19)

The sentences above show that the students make generalization in using prepositions. The student apply preposition of time *on* in a sentence, "Julia was born *on* 1998" as a result of the material being learned previously. The students assume that the use preposition of time *on*, in this case, is sameas rule of day or date of the month. It is actually incorrect. It should be *in* to refer a long period of time, as like year.

The same case also happens in the sentence, "I usually study English *in* night". The word "night", in this case, indicates a point of time. It is simply different with the word "the night" which refers a part of the day or time duration. Therefore, it should be *at* for the best correction. Finally, the use preposition of position *at* in a sentence "there is a Post Office *at* Alistiklal Street" is incorrect. Sudirman Street is the name of street while the use preposition of position *at* is for address with street numbers. So, it should be *on*.

Whereas, the next source of error is ignorance of rule restriction. It is closely related to generalization, which students fail to apply rules to where they do not apply. For examples:

- My English class begins on 10.30. (committed by students 7, 12, and 19)
- There is a novel "The Alchemist" *at* my desk. (committed by students1 and 9)
   From the examples above, the students" errors occurred by applying *on* and *at* without

paying attention towards the rules. Preposition *at* and *on* to refer clock time and to describe the surface of something.

#### 3. Error Evaluation

The researcher would like to evaluate the students" errors based on the sources of error in using preposition of motion and position. Over-generalization andignorance of rule restrictions are the most frequent errors occur. It is because of the influence of the previous grammatical rule and the failure of students to apply rules to where they do not apply in a sentence.

Over-generalization will be a serious problem if the students cannot recognize the use of preposition of motion and position correctly which some of them are simply similar form and function. In fact, over-generalization occurs because of lack of information in grammar rule that causes the students apply the previous rule to another pattern that has a different rule.

While ignoring of rule restrictions should be considered as a crucial thing. The errors have been categorized as learning strategy-based error that occurs as result from the failure of students in applying the correct preposition. The students have to understand the rule in using preposition of motion and position to ovoid the failure.

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#### Data Interpretation

After analyzing the collected data, the researcher intends to interpret the findings. The following table bellow shows the frequency of students" errors in using preposition of motion and position. The table described as follows::

### Table 4.15 The Frequency of Students' Errors in Using Preposition of motion and position

No.	Kinds of Preposition	Item Numbers	Frequency of
			Error
1.	Preposition of motion onto	3	38
2.	Preposition of motion into	3	34
3.	Preposition of time at	2	10
4.	Preposition of position on	4	26
5.	Preposition of position in	5	31
6.	Preposition of position at	3	12
	Tota	20	151
	1		

The table above shows the frequency of students" errors in using preposition of motion and position. Based on the table of data, it can be described that the frequency of error in preposition of time on is 26 errors from 3 item numbers, the frequency of error in preposition of time in is 12 errors from 3 item numbers, the frequency of error in preposition of time at is 10 errors from 2 item numbers.

The frequency of error in preposition of position on is 38 errors from 4 item numbers, the frequency of error in preposition of position in is 31 errors from 5 item numbers, and the frequency of error in preposition of position at is 34 errors from 3 item numbers.

It can be concluded that the highest frequency of error occurs in preposition of position on with 38 errors. It shows that the most students have problems in using preposition of position on. While the lowest frequency of error occurs in preposition of time at with 10 errors.

To classify the students" error in using preposition of motion and position, the researcher uses the types of errors based on surface strategy taxonomy. The table described as follows:

No.	Error Classification	Frequency of Errors
1.	Omission	-
2.	Addition	-
3.	Mis-formation	151
4.	Mis-ordering	-
	Total	151

### 4.16 The Classification of Students' Error

The table above shows that the students" error is totally misformation. It is

151 errors found from 380 item number questions of 19 students in using preposition of motion and position. There is no error committed by students in omission, addition, and misordering.

### General conclusion

In the previous chapter, the researchers have analyzed the students" errors in using preposition of motion and position. The result shows that the second year students of English at KMOU still make some errors in using preposition of motion and position. The researcher finds that most of students face some difficulties how to determine and to distinguish them correctly in sentences.

Based on the data, the frequency of students" error in using preposition of motion and position is mostly occurred in preposition of motion onto with 38 errors. The second is preposition of motion into with 34 errors. The third is preposition of position inwith 31 errors. The next is preposition of time on with 26 errors and preposition of position in with 12 errors. The last is preposition of position at with 10 errors.

The researcher also classifies the types of errors committed by students. From the classification of student's errors, it is totally mis-formation with 151 errors. There is no error committed by students in omission, addition, and mis-ordering.

Furthermore, he also identifies the sources of errors which influence students to commit errors. They are over-generalization and ignorance of rule restrictions. Based on the errors occurrence, the most of errors are caused of ignorance of rule restrictions which is influenced by the students' fail to apply the rules to where they do not apply. Meanwhile, Over-generalization generally happens when the students apply the previous rule that they have learned before toanother pattern that has a different rule.

After knowing the sources of students" errors, the researcher concludes that the most serious errors committed are caused by ignorance of rule restrictions.

the main objective of the current study is to investigate students awareness of motion preposition. We have conducted our study with  $2^{nd}$  year students of KMOU. We have used an experimental design.

The research consist of a general introduction, three chapters, recommendations and a general conclusion. The first chapter is devoted to the review of the literature and the previous studies of using motion prepositions, we provided some hints about errors analysis since the main subject is included under the umbrella of errors. The second chapter is concerned with the population and sample, the technique used in order to collect more date. The third chapter sheds light on the results revealed and we gave some discussions about it.

### Pedagogical implications

Based on the conclusion above, the researcher hopes that the following recommendations could be helpful in solving students" problems in using preposition of motion and position in English:

1\_Prepositions are short and simple form but very tricky. In fact, it could become a serious problems for students also teacher in teaching and learning materials, especially preposition of motion and position. Errors may unavoidable. So that, the errors in the use of preposition of motion and position committed by students must become a concern for the teachers.

2\_To minimize students" errors, English teachers should give more attentions in delivering the materials of preposition of motion and position. They should choose the best method and present the materials in a clearly way, so that students understand materials easily.

3\_ Finally, English teacher need to give some more exercises of the use of preposition of motion and position from many sources to help students easy to master the materials. Besides he/she need to motivate the students topractice them in speech and writing, no need to be afraid in making mistakes.

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# Appendices

### Appendix

# A. Complete these sentences with the correct answer by using preposition (on, in, or at)!

- 1. I usually get up early\_\_\_\_\_the morning.
- 2. I usually study English\_\_\_\_\_night.
- 3. My friend takes an English course\_\_\_\_\_BEC (Basic English Course).
- 4. Where is David? He is reading book\_\_\_\_\_ the library.
- 5. There is a bottle of milk\_\_\_\_\_the refrigerator.
- 6. Anne used to look at the stars\_\_\_\_\_the sky when she felt so lonely.
- 7. We have a plan to go to Bandung\_\_\_\_27<sup>th</sup> August.
- 8. Julia was born\_\_\_\_1998.
- 9. Nadia usually has a breakfast before school\_\_\_\_\_\_the morning.
- 10. Bali is the beautiful city\_\_\_\_Indonesia.
- 11. There is a picture\_\_\_\_\_the wall.
- 12. I have a plan to invite my classmate\_\_\_\_\_my birthday.
- 13. Marta lives\_\_\_\_\_21Semanggi II Street.
- 14. There is a post office\_\_\_\_\_Sudirman Street.
- 15. There is a novel "Laskar Pelangi"\_\_\_\_\_my desk.
- 16. My brother does not go to work\_\_\_\_\_Sunday.
- 17. I hear the doorbell. I think there is somebody\_\_\_\_\_the door.
- 18. My English class begins\_\_\_\_\_10:30.
- 19. My mother cooks fried rice\_\_\_\_\_the kitchen.
- 20. Look! There is a man\_\_\_\_\_the roof.

### Résumé

Cette étude académique vise à se concentrer davantage sur la leçon "prépositions", qui a un titre très important "prépositions de mouvement", que les élèves n'ont pas abordée et n'ont pas non plus atiré l'ttention des enseignants malgré son importance, notamment lors de la traduction et le group cible de notre recherche sont les étudiants de la deuxième année licence en langue anglaise à l'Université du kasdi Merbah , ouargla, au cours de l'année universitaire 2021 2022.

Un test a été effectué pour les étudiants contenant une prépostion pour le mouvement et la position pour découvrir l'étundue de leur connaissance de la différence entre eux.les étudiants ont été sélectionnés au hasard pour former un groupe de 19 étudiants.Cette recherche a prouvé que cette leçon devrait être programmée pour les étudiants ,à cause de son ignorance et plus il a fait d'erreurs. ملخص

تهدف هذه الدراسة الأكاديمية إلى التركيز أكثر على درس "حروف الجر" الذي به عنوان جد مهم وهو "حروف الجر للحركة " والذي لم يتطرق له الطلبة ولم يلفت إنتباه الأساتذة أيضا بالرغم من أهميته خاصة أثناء الترجمة والوقوع في الخطأ فيها .الفئة المستهدفة في بحثنا هم طلبة السنة الثانية ليسانس تخصص لغة إنجليزية بجامعة قاصدي مرباح ورقلة خلال العام الدراسي2022-2021. تم إجراء إختبار للطلبة يحتوي على حرف الجر للحركة والموضع لإكتشاف مدى معرفتهم للفرق بينهما ،إذ تم إختيار الطلبة عشوانيا لتحكون المجموعة من 19 طلبة