

**REVIEWING RECOUNT TEXT  
GENRE-BASED APPROACH OF  
ESP CLASS 2020**

# DEFINITION

- Recount text is a type of text in English that tells about a story, action, or activity. Usually, recount text tells about someone's experience. The purpose of recount text is to entertain the reader, so that there is no conflict in this text. In addition, this text also aims to provide information to readers.

# THE COMMUNICATIVE PURPOSES

- Menceritakan peristiwa, kejadian atau kegiatan di masa lampau dengan tujuan memberitakan atau menghibur.
- (to retell events for the purpose of informing or entertaining)

# Recount Text Features

- Using Past Tense sentences (past), such as went, departed, would, woke up, and so on.
- Using adverbs and adverbial phrases to express the time, place and manner, such as: last September, Pari Island, on then second day, and so on.
- Using conjunctions and time connectives to sort events or events, such as: and, before, then, after that, and so on

# Generic Structure of Recount Text

## 1. Orientation

- Menceritakan mengenai latar belakang informasi tentang siapa, di mana, kapan kejadian atau peristiwa terjadi.

## 2. Events

- Menceritakan serangkaian peristiwa yang terjadi sesuai urutan kronologis.

## 3. Re-orientation

- Merupakan penutup atau kesimpulan cerita. Untuk menutup suatu cerita, kita bisa memberikan opini kita mengenai cerita tersebut.

# EXAMPLE

- Yesterday I stayed the night at my friend's house, Chasey, with my other three friends, Eva, Julia and Tera. Chasey's house is so pretty. It has a big garden with a lot of kind of flowers and a big swimming pool. Right from the balcony, we can see the scenery of the whole of Malang city.

The above example can be said as a short recount text when the speaker wants to retell her experience in the past, and of course this event based on the factual event.

# Another example of Recount Text:

## ○ Orientation

Dalam tahap yang pertama ini, kamu diminta untuk memberikan sebuah pengenalan berupa informasi mengenai siapa, di mana, kapan peristiwa atau kejadian itu terjadi di masa lalu. Di dalam bagian ini, kamu diharapkan untuk memberikan pembaca informasi yang diperlukan untuk memahami keseluruhan dari teks. Contoh :

○ Yesterday I stayed the night at my friend's house, Magda, with my other three friends, Lilia, Syaline, and May. Magda's house is so pretty. It has a big garden with a lot of kind of flowers and a big swimming pool. Right from the balcony, we can see the scenery of Sudirman Street.

# Continued Events:

- Di tahap kedua ini, kamu dapat menyampaikan atau mengisahkan kejadian atau peristiwa yang terjadi. Kamu diminta untuk menulis cerita dalam urutan kronologis. Seperti 'In the first day... . In the next day... . In the last day...' Contoh: Depart from Muara Angke – Arrived – Went to the guest house – Rent bicycle and cycling – Had lunch – Snorkeling dan seterusnya.



# Re-orientation:

- Tahap yang terakhir dalam struktur teks recount adalah reorientation. Merupakan tahapan pengulangan pengenalan yang ada di tahap pertama. Pengulangan yang ada merangkum semua peristiwa atau kejadian yang diceritakan. Di tahapan terakhir, kamu bisa menuliskan rangkuman dari semua peristiwa atau kejadian yang diceritakan. Kamu juga bisa menuliskan komentar atau kesan personal terhadap peristiwa atau kejadian yang telah terjadi.
- Contoh:
- When we first arrived at 8 AM, Magda has welcomed us and asked us to get around the house as she explains all the room inside her home along with its function. After walking around the house, we gathered at Magda's room to put our things. Then, we go to the garden and have some tea while chatting with each other.
- atau
- We finally go to sleep around 2 AM, it was late, but we had so much fun. I would love to go back to Magda's house.

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