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ABSTRACT


The study entitled Features of Women’s Language on Thoraya Maronesy’s Youtube Videos aims to identify the linguistic features of women’s language in the youtube videos and to describe the way women and men in the youtube videos use features of women’s language. The source of data in this study are videos from Thoraya Maronesy’s youtube channel. The data are analyzed descriptively by using Robin Lakoff theory on features of women’s language. Lakoff argues that women’s language has 10 features but this study only adopted 7. Found 7 features of women’s language used by 47 women from total 52 women and 4 features of women’s language used by 21 men from total 43 men. Those features are *Lexical Hedges* (29), *Empty Adjectives* (10), *Intensifiers* (25), *Emphatic Stress* (4), *Rising Intonations* (2), *Avoidance of Strong Swear Word* (6), and *Super Polite Form* (2). features that used by men are *Lexical Hedges* (12), *Intensifier* (13), *Empty Adjectives* (2), and *super polite form* (3). Meanwhile, three feature of women’s language which did not occur in these videos is *Hypercorrect Grammar, Tag Question, and Precise Color Term.*

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CHAPTER I
INTRODUCTION

A. Background of The Study

Language is a system of sound signals agreed upon to be used by members of certain community groups in collaborating, communicating, and identifying themselves (Kridalaksana, 2009 : 3). In sociolinguistics, language and gender has a very close relationship, Lakoff states that women occupy a position very cornered in speaking, women are required to speak politely and gently, if they do not speak politely and gently they will be criticized for not feminine (Wibowo, 2012 : 15). Then the difference arises between women language and men language. A discussion of language and gender emphasizes the focus of its study of the influence of gender on language use. Research on the diversity of women and men languages has revealed the characteristics of differences in language use between men and women. One of them is the difference in communicative abilities, namely the common features of language use. This discussion of language and gender is in the sociolinguistic study. Differences in speech between men and women can be seen in daily life by comparing how men and women say, even though they have the same intentions, but the choice of the words they use is different. the topic of language and gender. In the book "Bahasa Perempuan" by Anang Santoso, women’s language is assumed to have a number of characteristics or special characteristics that distinguish it from men language, because women have a way of speaking that is different from men (Santoso, 2011 : 14). So, between
men and women is not a different language, but the difference lies in the use of linguistic preferences. This discussion refers to the exposure of different ways of speaking between women and men. Jendra states that it is totally wrong for most people still hold that women talk more than men but only women's speech display more than men, women use euphemism more than men, women make more use of expressive adjectives, use intonation that indicates uncertainties, more indirect and polite, better grammar and fewer colloquialism, and tend to be collaborative rather than competitive, are among the most often differences between the two varieties (Jendra, 2010: 15-23).

Robin Tolmach Lakoff became the first linguist who began research on features of women’s language. According to her statement, women were using language which reinforced their subordinate status, they were ‘colluding in their own subordination’ by the way they spoke (Holmes, 2013: 301). She identified a number of linguistic features which she claimed were used more often by women than by men, and which in her opinion expressed uncertainty and lack of confidence. Lakoff argues that language features used by women have 10 characteristics. The ten characteristics are *lexical hedges or fillers, question tags, hypercorrect grammar, rising intonation on declarative, empty adjectives, precise color terms, intensifiers, super polite form, avoidance of strong swear words and emphatic stress* (Holmes, 2013: 302-303).

Women’s language is very interesting to be studied as related to the variation of gender, which is the main parameter in the language use. This analysis focuses only on features of women’s language on Thoraya Maronesy’s youtube channel using Robin Lakoff's theory. Youtube videos
chooses as a research material because this youtube videos uses natural language, and Thoraya gives the same question to several men and women randomly, like a social experiment videos that looks at how the reaction or response from their answers, this youtube videos makes it easier to find the required data in this written scientific papers. There is much features of women’s language that can be described in this topic so that research on this topic has the potential to produce useful and interesting conclusions.

B. The Focus of The Study

In accordance with the background of the study above, this research will focus on the realm of sociolinguistics. This research focuses only on the features of women's language based on Lakoff's theory contained in the youtube videos. This research is going to analyze the features of women’s language and describe the way women and men using features of women’s language.

C. Research Question

Based on the description above, the problems studied in this study are formulated as follows:

1. What are the features of women’s language found in the youtube videos?
2. How does the women and men using features of women’s language in youtube videos?

D. The Significance of The Study

There are several benefits to this research both at the theoretical level and at the practical level, as described as follows.
1. **Theoretical benefits**

Theoretically, this research is expected to provide an understanding of the features of women’s language, proving that women have the women’s language features described by Lakoff, and this study is expected to contribute to future studies using women’s language features as the object of study.

2. **Practical Benefits**

At a practical level, this research is expected to provide a positive contribution that can be used as a reference for those who want to examine the language study of women's language features on social media such as youtube videos.

E. **Research Methodology**

1. **Objectives of Study**

   In accordance with the analysis of the problems that have been described previously, there are two purposes of the holding of this research as described as follows:

   a. To identify the linguistic features of women’s language in youtube videos.

   b. To describe the way women and men in the videos using features of women’s language.

2. **Method of Study**

   This research is in the sociolinguistics field and the method used in this research is a qualitative method, because the ultimate goal is to explain and describe all the facts objectively related to the features of women’s language used by women and men on Thoraya’s youtube channel, and the research data is a lingual unit like word, phrase, and sentence, not in the form of numbers. Gunawan stated the type of research
whose findings were not obtained through statistical procedures or other forms of calculation. Trying to understand and interpret the meaning of an event of human behavior interactions in certain situations according to the perspective of the researcher himself (Gunawan, 2013: 3)

The type of features of women’s language will identify based on Lakoff’s theory. Then, the classified features will be analyzed and described how the way women and men in the youtube videos using the features of women’s language.

3. The Technique of Data Collecting and Data Analysis
A. Data Collecting

As written data is used on this research, which is a transcript dialogue of Thoraya Maronesy’s youtube channel, documentary technique is used to collect the data. Documentation is a technique of collecting data by obtaining information from various written sources or documents that exist in the respondent or place (Sugiono, 2009: 329). This research uses these following steps to collect the data:

a. Watch and read dialogue text transcription of Thoraya Maronesy’s youtube videos.

b. Compares between the subtitle and the dialogue in the youtube videos to make the data more effective.

c. Give mark an utterance that assumed contain features of women’s language.

d. Write the data on the data card based on Lakoff’s theory

e. Classifying the data.
B. Data Analysis

Once the data has been collected then data analysis will perform through several stages using descriptive technique in order to get detailed perspective from the data analysis, as follows:

a. Identifying the features of women’s language used by women and men that found in Thoraya Maronesy’s youtube videos based on Lakoff’s theory.

b. Analyzing the use of women’s language based on each women and men by using Lakoff’s theory to investigate each function of the features.

c. Concluding the data that has been analysis.

4. The Instrument of the Research

The writer is considered as the main instrument of this study. The writer also using the data card in collecting, classifying, and analyzing the data. The data card aims as a support of the search and analysis process of data, used to see speakers in using and providing meaning to the data being reviewed (Fauziah, 2013 : 42)

5. Unit of Analysis

The source of data in this study is a youtube videos from Thoraya Maronesy’s channel, the writer will analyze three videos. The videos downloaded from the youtube page.

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A. Previous Research

The study of features of women’s language has been performed by several researchers but in different study objects. The first research is conducted by Puja Buano (2016) “An Analysis of Women’s Linguistic Features In Pitch Perfect Movie”. In his discussion the results of 40 data analysis in 23 dialogs there are 5 features of language spoken by women characters in "Pitch Perfect", namely (1) Lexical Hedges and Fillers, (2) Tag Questions, (3) Rising Intonation on Declaratives, (4) Intensifiers, and (5) Super polite Forms. The most widely spoken language feature is the Intensifiers because in the film the characters highlight the meaning of the speech to the listener. In addition, there are also 3 functions of women language features, namely (1) to strengthen the meaning of speech; (2) weakening the meaning of the utterance and (3) the response request. The most common function is to reinforce the meaning of speech. Puja assumes that the women characters in the "Pitch Perfect" reinforce his speech intent for a confession because as women acapella group their existence is threatened by the presence of a male acapella group that has always been the champion in every competition.

The second research is written by Revita (2017) “Linguistic Features Used by American Famous Transgender Women”. The results obtained from the analysis of 127 data there are 4 features of language spoken by the
transgender of American famous women in The Ellen DeGeneres Show, namely (1) Lexical Hedges, (2) Emphatic Stress, (3) Intensifiers and (4) Empty Adjectives. The most widely spoken language feature is Lexical Hedges because they undermine the meaning of speech to the listener. Besides, two functions of women’s language features are found, namely (1) to strengthen the meaning of speech and (2) to weaken the meaning of speech. The most common function is to weaken the meaning of speech. It is assumed that two transgender women in The Ellen DeGeneres Show undermine her speech intention in sharing stories about their lives with others.

The last is written by Mahardika et al (2014) “An Analysis of Topics and Speech Features in The Activity of Gossipping by Female Participants in Intermediate Level of Santhi Budaya Art Foundation North Bali in Year 2014/2015”. The results of this study show that women participants in Santhi Budaya use four categories of gossip, namely: house-talk, scandal, bitching, and chatting. Meanwhile, of the 10 features of the talks proposed in this study, only five appear in the data, including lexical hedges, intensifiers, question tags and swear words.

From all the research that analyze above features of women’s language using film and talk show as the data, as described earlier, it appears that research with analysis of women’s language features in youtube videos needs to be done in addition to no one taking youtube videos as object. So the ten features of women’s language chose to examine based on Lakoff’s theory on Thoraya Maronesy’s youtube videos.
B. Sociolinguistics

Sociolinguistics is the study of the relation between language and society, a branch of both linguistics and sociology. According to Allan and Multamia, sociolinguistics is the study of the variations of language that emerge in the community that is traced because of the existence of various social stratifications in society. Studies that can be carried out include the function and role of a language, acceptability of terms, greeting words viewed from social solidarity between speakers, criteria and perceptions of language politeness, the disclosure of social identity through graffiti, spells, and various terms, differences in language variations based on gender, and many more (Kushartanti & Lauder, 2009: 231).

Sociolinguistics according to Chaer and Agustina is a scientific discipline that combines two sociology and linguistic disciplines, this science is applied which is used to divide and overcome the problems that exist in the practical life of society, not in pure linguistics because in sociolinguistics it is more on external interdisciplinary studies (Chaer & Agustina, 2004: 3).

C. Language and Gender

Gender in language is a different function and social roles and responsibilities of men and women governed by society. Gender deals with the provisioning process on how men and women should act and act in accordance with the structured values, social and cultural arrangements in which they belong. This is not something that every human being has since birth but it concerns what it shows. In his book, Holmes states that the language of women is famous for its feminists and its men are famous for its masculine. Differences in spoken words between men and women can be seen...
in everyday life by comparing how men and women say, despite having the same intentions but the selection of words used is different (Eckert, 2003: 10).

Some linguists have conducted research on the differences between men and women languages which, among others, were done by Lakoff. The characteristic difference in language does not mean two completely different and separate languages but actually has different characteristics. Women’s speech display more variety in intonation than men’s, women use euphemism more than men, women make more use of expressive adjectives, use intonation indicating uncertainty, more indirect and polite, better grammar and fewer colloquialism, and tend to be collaborative rather than competitive, are among the most often cited differences between the two varieties (Jendra, 2010: 15-23).

D. Women’s Language

The language of women is intuitive, thoughtful and builds a more polite style of communication visible from its vocabulary. Women are synonymous with words or speeches that must be polite, gentleness full of submission. Women consistently use standard forms that are more faithful to true grammatical. Women are more reflective of sentimentality and do not use special insulting words, dirty words, indecent words but using words of praise like a good, excellent, and wonderful. Women are more likely to avoid using dirty words. Those words are construed by women and as if they were a monopoly of men. That’s because women are expected to be more polite in speaking (Trudgill, 2000: 64-65).

Kuntjara in his book states that women are more sensitive to what they say, unlike men who pay more attention to the information it conveys that the
function of the interaction itself. Women also use more intimate language more often, while the male language is more likely to dominate over the other person (Kuntjara, 2012 : 3-4).

E. Features of Women’s Language

Robin Tolmach Lakoff mentions that there are many things that form the basis for the emergence of differences between women and men, in the language described that the male language is more assertive, mature, and men like to speak openly with the right vocabulary. In contrast, the language spoken by women is not firm, not openly, and careful when expressing something, and often uses a more subtle and polite word, and also has no self-belief (Holmes, 2013 : 304). Lakoff tries to illustrate the habit of speaking women, features as follows:

1. Lexical Hedges

Hedges are important linguistic items used to, for example, soften criticism and thus avoid problems in communication or even communication breakdowns (Riekkinen, 2009 : 5). Hedges as one example of the characteristics of women's language including capital verb such as could, Might, may, would, should, lexical like perhaps, and pragmatic particles as sorta / sort of, I think, you know, well, kinda / kind of, like and I guess. With hedges, women refer to the frequency of useful phrases (Lakoff, 2004 : 39). Lexical Hedges is a linguistic feature that generally serves to reduce the power of a speech and undermine the effects of a statement.

1) “I got home at midnight, I think.”
by looking at the example, it can be seen that the sentence indicates that
the speaker feels uncertain and lack of confidence in uttering her intention.
The speaker does not know exactly if it will really be got home at
midnight or not thus she uses the word ‘I think’ to hedge her statement.

2. **Tag Questions**

Question tags are syntactic devices that can express uncertainty, as a
facilitative way of providing the other person with the topic of
conversation, as well as confrontational and coercive tools to force
feedback from uncooperative counselors. Tag question as well as features
as politeness devices. It used when the speaker is stating a claim but lacks
full confidence in the truth of the claim (Lakoff, 2004 : 48).

2) “She is very beautiful, isn’t she?”

It is one such situation when the speaker is making small talk, also trying
to start a conversation. Sometimes we find a tag question used in the case
when the speaker and the addressee know what the answer must be, and
does not need confirmation.

3. **Rising intonations**

As Lakoff finds in English, there is a typical sentence intonation
pattern among women. This not only has a declarative answer to a
question but also has a rising tone typical of the yes-no question and seems
to be especially doubtful. The effect is that the speaker is searching for
confirmation at the same time he may be the only one who has the
required information (Lakoff, 2004 : 50). For example,

3)  (a) **When will you come home?**

(b) **Oh, ...around next week..?**
from the sentences above we can say that what is mean by (b) statement is that if next week is ok with (a) or if agree. Sentence (a) is put in the position of having to provide confirmation, and (b) sound unsure.

4. **Empty Adjectives**

There is a group of adjectives, in vocabulary terms, that have both a specific and literal meaning and also indicate a speaker's approval or admiration for something. Such adjectives are called empty adjectives 'blank adjectives' which means that the word deals only with emotional reactions rather than special information. Some of these adjectives are neutral, regardless of the gender of the speaker, both men and women may use them. But there are adjectives that seem to give a limited impression to be used by women only. Some adjectives are neutral (*great, neat, cool, terrific*) and for women only (*adorable, charming, sweet, lovely, divine, gorgeous, cute*). It will damage men’s reputation if he uses some words in women’s column. But it is also wrong to say that there is no risk for women to be freely using neutral or women’s words. Women are free to choose between neutral words and women word (Lakoff, 2004 : 45).

5. **Precise Color Term**

Women give color details much more precisely in naming colors than men do. Men consider talking about the terms of the right colors ridiculous because they consider such questions as trivial and irrelevant to the real world (Lakoff, 2004 : 43). Words such as *beige* (light greyish-brown color), *lavender* (pale purple color), *maroon* (red to dark brownish) are examples of ordinary words in the female active vocabulary, but that is absent for most men. In our society discrimination in naming color is well
accepted for women, but it is not for men. It might be caused by the way men view ‘unworldly’ topics such as high culture.

6. **Intensifiers**

   Intensifiers such as *so, just, very, really, such or quite* more indicate women language characteristics than men. So is said to have something feminine eternally about it. Women more often stop without completing the sentence than men, because she starts talking without having a plan for what she will say (Lakoff, 2004: 54).

   4) “The scene is so beautiful”

   it is odd to hedge in describing someone emotional state. To hedge in this situation is to seek and avoid making a strong statement as a characteristic of women’s language.

7. **Hypercorrect Grammar**

   Hypercorrect grammar is a usage that conforms to the standard verb form. This includes circumlocution of language, apology more often, and the use of the most polite form as additional features. In other words, women speak as closely as possible to a standard English form (Holmes, 2001: 167). Lakoff associates these features with each other because they all constrict to the fact that women are not expected to speak harshly or maliciously than men. The main purpose of using hypercorrect grammar is to show the identity of the speakers. It is a device for women to claim her identity as an educated people. Hypercorrect grammar also can be considered when the speaker speaks politely (Crosby & Nyquist, 1977: 313-322).
8. **Super polite Form**

A woman using a more polite language than a man in a conversation is because a woman is more aware of her status than a man. Women are more aware of the facts, where or with whom he speaks. And it also reflects social status or background in society and the level of education also affects the way a person speaks (Lakoff, 2004 : 50). The particles used to reinforce the notion that it is requested. For examples,

5) “*would you please…*”
6) “*I’d really appreciate it if…*”

9. **Avoidance of Strong Swear Word**

Both males and females have a different preference for use of verbal words. Men often use abusive and forbidden words such as *damn, bloody hell* and *shit* are often found in the language of men. While men use strong rant words, women use more polite versions like *oh dear, my dear, my goodness, goodness* and *good heavens* (Lakoff, 2004 : 44).

7) “*Shit, you have to clean the bedroom*” is men language.
8) “*Oh dear, you have to clean the bedroom*” is women language.

Men’s language is can be said increasingly used by women, but women’s language is not being adopted by men.

10. **Emphatic Stress**

Emphatic stress has been identified as characteristic of American upper-class speech, conveying confidence, self-assurance, and the expectation of agreement from the interlocutor (Davies, 2004 : 187). Women tend to use words that emphasize speech to reinforce the meaning of a speech. For example,
9) “it was a brilliant performance”

the word *brilliant* is one of the examples of emphatic stress. This is used to emphasize the meaning of appearance.
CHAPTER III
RESEARCH FINDING

A. Data Descriptions

In this chapter, the analysis of the data is explained in the line which is formulated from the research questions. In this section explains the analysis of features of women’s language used in Thoraya Maronesy ‘s Youtube video. The data are analyzed descriptively by using Robin Lakoff theory on features of women’s language and supported by social factors that affect language use. From Thoraya Maronesy’s youtube videos it can be concluded that there are 7 features of women’s language used by 47 women from total 52 women and 4 features of women’s language used by 21 men from total 43 men. The writer found 68 data from the analysis, but in this chapter there are some data reduced into 16 data to analyze.

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B. Data Analysis

In data analysis explains the analysis of features of women’s language used by women and men answer. The data are analyzed descriptively by using Robin Lakoff theory on features of women’s language and supported by social factors that affect language use.

Women Answers Analysis

Lexical Hedges

Datum 1:

Thoraya : What’s been your favorite memory?

Women 8 : Well I think for now is traveling with my friends to San Diego.

The utterance in datum 1 reflects features of women’s language which can be classified as lexical hedges to show uncertainty. The speaker was uncertain with what she talked about. The hedge use showed that the speaker did not want to state definite statement so that it lessened the impact of the statement.

In the utterance above, women 8 used a hedge to show that she was not really sure that her favorite memory was traveling with her friends to San
Diego. So she used hedging as the way of seeking of the word to keep the conversation appropriate as the other way to avoid their confidence.

**Datum 2:**

Thoraya : What’s been your favorite memory?

Women 1 : Wow I don’t really know umm... honestly right now I’m making them this is the first time that I really left a state on a vacation and like... this is like most beautiful thing I’ve ever seen like I think I’m gonna remember this for the rest of my life. I haven’t really seen anything or done anything like this.

The utterance in datum 2 can be categorized in feature of women’s language as lexical hedges. Women 1 used lexical hedge here as a filler in her conversation and she give the sequence time to think what she will say next. Women 1 used hedging as the way of seeking of the word to keep the conversational goes smoothly as the different way to cover her unconfident in saying something.

**Empty Adjective**

**Datum 3:**

Thoraya : What’s been your favorite memory?

Women 7 : I think my 50th birthday week I spent a week in Colorado and it was probably the best week of my life just outside in the mountains hiking and running and yeah it was gorgeous.
The utterance in datum 7 reflects the feature of women’s language as an empty adjective. Empty adjective reflects a speaker approval and admiration for something, the word “gorgeous” adjective that called blank adjective which means that the word deals only with emotional reactions rather than special information.

From the utterance above, it indicates that women 7 reveals the emotional reaction rather than give specific information about her statement. And this adjective seem to give a limited impression to be used by women only.

**Datum 4:**
Thoraya : You are beautiful, How does it feel to be beautiful?
Women 5 : Oh that’s cute that’s sweet

The utterance in datum 4 can be categorized in feature of women’s language as an empty adjective. The word “cute” and “sweet” in her statement was more often used by women than by men.

The utterance in datum 8 it indicates the approbation for something. Women 5 answer Thoraya’s question with “cute” and “sweet” that the word deals only with emotional reactions rather than special information.

**Intensifier**

**Datum 5:**
Thoraya : What’s been your favorite memory?
Women 1 : Wow I don’t really know umm... honestly right now I’m making them. This is the first time that I really left a state on a vacation and like... this is like most beautiful thing I’ve ever seen like I
think I’m gonna remember this for the rest of my life. I haven’t really seen anything or done anything like this.

The sentence that is uttered in datum 5 reflects features of women’s language as intensifier. It was proven from the existence of word “really” in the sentence. Intensifier are used to emphasize certain opinion. In order to emphasize the opinion, some people use the device to strengthen the meaning of their utterance. The word “really” has the function to intensify the utterance.

The use of intensifier is used to make the addressee knows the strong feeling of the speaker. The utterance “really” indicates that woman 1 wants to intensify the utterance. An Intensifier is used as the device to persuade the addressee. The utterance in datum 4 shows that she persuades and strengthens her statement that she really haven’t seen anything like that before.

**Datum 6:**

Thoraya : What’s been your favorite memory?

Women 16 : It was a blind date and I showed up with a five pack of beer because I was so scared and he asked me that night after our date if because it was leap year if I decide I wanted to marry him to give him a call and we’ve been married 37 years.

The utterance in datum 5 reflects one of women’s language feature as an intensifier. It was proven from the existence of the word “so” in the sentence. An Intensifier is used to emphasize certain opinion. The word “so” has the function to intensify the utterance.
The word “so” indicates to be expressed or hyperbole. Women 16 used “so” to intensify her utterance that she was so scared at that time.

**Super Polite Form**

**Datum 7:**
Thoraya : You are beautiful, How does it feel to be beautiful?

Women 15 : **Thank you. I appreciate that** I just think oh my gosh I literally *like* I was trying on dresses before and *like* my rib wasn’t fitting in there I was *like should* I believe *like* leave a rib but thank you. **I really appreciate that.**

The utterance in datum 7 reflects the feature of women’s language which can be classified as a super polite form. It is kind of super polite form as thanking. By used this term indicates that the speaker wants to show politeness term.

Women 15’s utterance in datum 6 indicates the feeling of gratitude by saying “*thank you, I really appreciate that*” for a polite respond. She shows polite behavior as the device for thanking.

**Emphatic Stress**

**Datum 8:**
Thoraya : Do you think your husband is a regular guy?

Women 1 : no no way. He’s **creative** person and he comes up with all these **really wacky ideas** okay and his grandkids call him silly because he’s always saying funny and silly face.
The utterance in datum 8 is categorized as emphatic stress. Emphatic stress used to reinforce the meaning of a speech. Emphatic stress word “creative” and “really wacky ideas” is emotional stress, this is used to emphasize the meaning of appearance.

Women 1 used emphatic stress “creative” and “really wacky ideas” in her sentence above. Women 1 used emphatic stress to strengthen an utterance to describe her judgement about her husband and it was easier to express her ideas or feeling about something.

Avoidance of Strong Swear Word.

Datum 9:
Thoraya : You are beautiful, How does it feel to be beautiful?
Women 2 : That’s so kind Oh my goodness that’s great

The utterance in datum 9 above is classified as avoidance of strong swear word. This utterance used to emphasize or strengthen the expression of the speaker’s opinion. And women use more polite version like “oh my goodness”.

Women 2 used avoidance of strong swear word to strengthen her statement that she really sure to her statement and it was kind of soft meaning used by women.

Datum 10:
Women 19 : I see your videos oh my God okay
Thoraya: as you know I usually go and ask People questions but today I thought it would be cool if I just went out and filmed people that I think beautiful

Women 19: oh my God I am really cry oh that’s so sweet you are beautiful too. I think what you do is beautiful as well I think it takes a lot of courage.

The utterance in datum 10 above is classified as avoidance of strong swear word. This utterance used to emphasize or strengthen the expression of the speaker’s opinion. And women use more polite version like “God”.

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**Rising Intonation**

**Datum 11:**

Thoraya: You are beautiful, How does it feel to be beautiful?

Women 18: What stop really?

Thoraya: Yeah you are

Women 18: Okay thank you

The utterance in datum 10 above is classified as rising intonation. This utterance has a rising tone typical of the yes-no question and seems to be especially doubtful. The speaker raised her intonation while uttered the sentence in order to give stressing so that it can evoke hearer’s attention so that the hearer consider the question is something important to be concerned.
In this utterance women 18 applied rising intonation that indicates women 18 was not really sure with Thoraya’s statement so that to make it valid she asked it to Thoraya. Thus, rising intonation is used to check the validity of an opinion. Women 18 asked Thoraya by using a hesitant expression to reflect the uncertainty.

**Datum 12:**

Thoraya : You are beautiful, How does it feel to be beautiful?

Women 19 : **Oh so it’s me?**

The utterance in datum 11 can be categorized in women speech feature as rising intonation. The utterance “**oh so it’s me?**” used to get the confirmation from the addressee. The question intonation above is included in seeking the agreement from the addressee because the speaker wants the addressee to confirm what has been said.

The utterance in datum 11 indicates that women 19 did not believe in what Thoraya actually said. Women 19 is encouraged to ask Thoraya by raising her intonation to get the attention from Thoraya.

**Men Answers Analysis**

**Lexical Hedges**

**Datum 13 :**

Thoraya : what’s been your favorite memory?

Men 13 : **I guess** it **would** have to be the last time I saw my grandma. We all went up to our house and her house in LA and that’s the last time our whole family.
The utterance in datum 13 reflects features of women’s language which can be categorized as lexical hedges. It is categorized as lexical hedges because it shows the expression of doubt. The word “I guess” indicates that the speaker uncertain with what he said. It also indicates the sensitivity to his feeling.

In the utterance above, men 13 used a hedge to show that he is not confident about his utterance. So he used the word “I guess” as hedges device to show the doubt expression to his statement. He use hedges to soften what he say and hedges are an important part of polite conversation.

**Intensifier**

**Datum 14:**

Thoraya : What’s been your favorite memory?

Men 4 : Sitting on my dad’s lap when he was smoking a pipe and **just**
feeling **very** comfortable with him and **very** happy. That smell of
the pipe **just** makes me think of him.

The utterance above in datum 14 reflects the feature of women’s language which can be classified as an intensifier. The word “very” in datum 14 is used to add force to another word. It indicates as intensifier because the speaker wants to make a strong assertion about her sentence.

The utterance “very” indicates that men 4 wants to intensify the utterance. An Intensifier is used as the device to persuade the addressee. The utterance in datum 4 shows that she persuades and strengthens her statement that he **very** comfortable and **very** happy with his memory.
Empty Adjective

Datum 15:
Thoraya: You are beautiful, How does it feel to be beautiful?
Men 14: That’s very sweet. Well you should be filming yourself

The utterance in datum 15 reflects the feature of women’s language as an empty adjective. It indicated the approbation for something, but it only conveyed the emotional reaction rather that specific information. The empty adjectives was more used by women than by men, in this analysis found just 2 men used empty adjective and the other man used neutral adjective such great and amazing.

Super Polite Form

Datum 16:
Thoraya: You are beautiful, How does it feel to be beautiful?
Men 9: Thank you I appreciate that.

The utterance in datum 7 reflects the feature of women’s language which can be classified as a super polite form. It is kind of super polite form as thanking. By using this term indicates that the speaker wants to show politeness term.

The super polite form “thank you I appreciate that” indicates that feeling of gratitude. Instead of the purpose to show the gratitude, there is also the purpose of his polite thanking.
CHAPTER IV

CONCLUSION AND SUGGESTION

A. Conclusion

Three youtube videos from Thoraya Maronesy’s youtube page it can be concluded that there are 68 people used features of women’s language, (47) women and (21) men. 47 women used 7 features of women’s language, those features are Lexical Hedges (29), Empty Adjectives (10), Intensifiers (25), Emphatic Stress (4), Rising Intonations (2), Avoidance of Strong Swear Word (6), and Super Polite Form (2). 21 men used features of women’s language, those features are Lexical Hedges (12), Intensifier (13), Empty Adjectives (2), and super polite form (3). Meanwhile, three feature of women’s language which did not occur in these videos is Hypercorrect Grammar, Tag Question, and Precise Color Term. It seems that this feature did not occur because the video mostly used informal language, and in this video Thoraya just ask 1 question to 30 random people women and men. Furthermore, Intensifier and Lexical Hedges tend to be the most frequent features of women’s language used by women and men. So the differences between women and men answers is women are more communicative than men, women talk more with one another than men do, men uses neutral adjectives such as ‘great, cool, and nice’ compared to women who use empty adjectives like ‘sweet and cute’, men also used features of women’s language but the frequency is not as much as women.

B. Suggestion

This study is expected to provide an understanding of the features of women’s language. Proving that women have features of women’s language described by Lakoff, and this study is expected to contribute to subsequent research that using
features of women’s language as the object of the study. This study is expected to provide a positive contribution that can be used as a reference for those who want to examine language studies about features of women’s language on social media such as YouTube video.
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7. **Well I think** for now is traveling with my friends to San Diego.

8. My favorite memory **would** have to be the first time that I went back home to Kurdistan

9. I was discovering **just** being in nature and being by myself

10. my favorite memory **just** a moment of purity between two people having this experience

11. they **would** wake me up early with a homemade breakfast and **just** take care of me and it was some of the happiest day of my life.

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17. I got nominated to be like the weirdest person on this boat troop this one time actually and they nominated me because I used to eat pears with ranch like I thought too gross now but um.. so I got to touch like the booger of a lobster which is their antenna things they’re actually like their nose and so that was kind of cool and I was like okay cool if you are weird sometimes you get to do weird it’s fun.

18. I think that everything √

19. when I helped people but like they kept asking more and √
more and more but never **like** um... never but when I asked for help sometimes they didn’t so I felt upset and most of that most of the time people didn’t **like** encourage me they always **like** pull me back and I realized oh no... it’s a real world it’s not like Disneyland

| 20. | so **I think** that I noticed that I’m not than everyone else because I’m a special hair. | ✓ |

| 21. | **I think** I always knew that I mean I grew up with mostly **like** white people and I was always a darkest one so I always felt **kind of** outcast mood by that you **know** they come for more money | ✓ ✓ |
from less but I mean never really bothered me.

22. **You know...**
maybe about 10 years ago probably about 10 years ago you **might** have question. and there’s hardly anyone **like** me **like** that I travel the world for living so yeah and definitely not like everyone else.

23. **Well**
younger and **just** got into an argument with a girl who didn’t like the same thing I was **like** okay I’m different. Because I was into a different type of guys than girls I was any allegory

24. When I came to study to the US in psych you **know** I didn’t know English and I don’t know
anything from **like** the culture here so I had to learn everything and people **kind of** me
**like** I mean I got bullied a little bit but **like** some of my yeah..so I was **like** when I was **like** 10

<p>| 25. | <strong>I guess</strong> that’s a hard question because being unique is <strong>like</strong> the cool thing to do right now and so everyone trying to be unique makes you look like everybody else so It’s <strong>kind of</strong> hard to be not like everyone else nowadays especially good <strong>instagram and facebook</strong> it’s so known to everyone for me if you’re cool you’re actually not that cool 😂 | √ |</p>
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14. I would say when I was 3 and my that’s probably my first memory I ever had and I feel like I just knew that day it was
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Appendix 2
Thoraya Maronesy’s YouTube Page on 30 people 1 question
“what’s been your favorite memory?”

Women Answers :

1. Wow I don’t really know umm... honestly right now I’m making them. This is the first time that I really left a state on a vacation and like... this is like most beautiful thing I’ve ever seen like I think I’m gonna remember this for the rest of my life. I haven’t really seen anything or done anything like this.
2. Well we’re just think make me feel and I’ve never seen anything like that. It was a big cake I’m here with my friend from England that I haven’t seen her for 10 years and it’s actually amazing I might have made it today. Just right now just baby see I feel just amazing like a little baby.
3. Probably finishing the community last year in Spain it’s a 500-mile hike across the north of Spain from the east to the west coast it’s like an old pilgrimage people used to. Where people have been doing for just a solo hike into the woods for like 6 weeks.
4. My favorite memory was when I used to go to the mosque with my mom and my little cousin and my aunt and after the service we would have a huge meal we’ll all eat together those are like some of my favorite.
5. Probably there was a couple summers ago that my boyfriend and I were just kind of at a downtown street festival and just grew up on top of the merry-go-round or the pharisee just like looking at everything and just you could see the whole city and it’s just everybody having a good time there’s just a beautiful scene of like our hometown.
6. My favorite memory would have to be the first time that I went back home to Kurdistan and it was my first time eating breakfast outside, sitting outside, picnic style on my grandparents front yard.
7. I think my 50th birthday week I spent a week in Colorado and it was probably the best week of my life just outside in the mountains hiking and running and yeah it was gorgeous.
8. Well I think for now is traveling with my friends to San Diego.
9. My favorite memory has to be when I was camping and I was discovering just being in nature and being by myself seeing who I was as a person being alone time is the best time, just it.
10. My favorite memory it was dancing salsa a friend of mine when I was about 28 years old and he didn’t know how to dance salsa so I was teaching. I had his arms on my hips and we were doing the counts and dancing. Later he ended up dying an accident, so that’s my favorite memory just a moment of purity between two people having this experience, and when I think of him that’s what I remember.
11. Celebrating the New Year in Chinese culture. My father got 7 brothers and sisters so around 30 people gathering together and to celebrate this festival
12. My favorite memory is when my oldest brother inky got engaged to my sister in law
13. When I was growing up and I go visit my grandparents that lived in Northern Utah and I remember going there in the summer and they would wake me up early with a homemade breakfast and just take care of me and it was some of the happiest day of my life.

14. I would have to say my favorite memory is when I met my wife

15. When I married my wife through she’s right here

16. Say it was when I was learning how to fish we had my dad gave me a fishing rod, he tied like a piece of metal to it like to the end of the line and then I would just swing it back and forth because I owned a factory so now we’ll get it caught on like stuff

17. It was a blind date and I showed up with a five pack of beer because I was so scared and he asked me that night after our date if because it was leap year if I decide I wanted to marry him to give him a call and we’ve been married 37 years.

Men Answers :

1. Wow that is amazing, would have to be thanksgiving the family so when there to be harmony in on the dinner table and before everybody grew up and become their own individuals and stuff.

2. So I just went through Marine corps training I graduated today so my favorite memories in this day was a... is climbing the infamous reaper it’s a giant mountain that we have camp Padleton and just getting to the top and getting an eagle globe and anchor and earning the title those it’s probably my favorite moment this day.

3. My honeymoon.

4. Sitting on my dad’s lap when he was smoking a pipe and just feeling very comfortable with him and very happy. That smell of the pipe just makes me think of him.

5. In Trinidad where I grew up and going to the beach and kayaking to this little boat area and then coming back and in the dark and my parents be here.

6. My favorite memory is definitely like me and my brother out in the bay about couples ago and we’re just out in the ocean and the waves are just coming in and it’s just a great beautiful time.

7. Yesterday my wife and I actually had our 4 year anniversary and we’re celebrating it here in San Diego so I have to say my favorite memory was 4 years and one day ago when I got to say I do to the most beautiful women on the planet.

8. My favorite memory is waking up on my ranch in Mexico and going horseback riding with my uncle and my little cousin while the sun is rising.

9. The day each of my childrens were born.

10. With my mom and she liked to plant a lot of different kinds of plants in their backyard so it was my favorite memory.

11. It was the hiking through the Mukesh Kadal in the Negev.

12. Was actually just here it was awesome swimming with the sea lions.

13. I guess it would have to be the last time I saw my grandma. We all went up to our house and her house in LA and that’s the last time our whole family.
Thoraya Maronesy’s YouTube Page on 30 people 1 question

“When did you realize that you’re not like everyone else?”

Women Answers:

1. Thoraya: do you think your husband is a regular guy?
   Women 1: no no way. He’s creative person and he comes up with all these really wacky ideas okay and his grandkids call him silly because he’s always saying funny and silly face.
2. Probably elementary school because I grew up in a super small town in the middle of nowhere Texas with about 50 kids and clearly I don’t look normal and so I was not like anyone else I knew and used to think it was a bad thing and then as I grew up I grew into it but I think it’s kind of always been that way.
3. I got nominated to be like the weirdest person on this boat troop this one time actually and they nominated me because I used to eat pears with ranch like I thought too gross now but um... so I got to touch like the booger of a lobster which is their antenna things they’re actually like their nose and so that was kind of cool and I was like okay cool if you are weird sometimes you get to do weird it’s fun.
4. Women 4: I think everything
   Thoraya: And what makes you feel that?
   Women 4: I don’t know
5. Women 5: During my second year in the United States like 2015
   Thoraya: And do you remember what made you feel that way?
   Women 5: yeah... when I helped people but like they kept asking more and more and more but never like um... never but when I asked for help sometimes they didn’t so I felt upset and most of that most of the time people didn’t like encourage me they always like pull me back and I realized oh no... it’s a real world it’s not like Disneyland
   Thoraya: Remember what setting you were in was this at work at school?
   Women 5: Yeah school cause I just graduated.
6. I’m in high school when they not believe me but they did jokes about my curly hair because inserts and not a lot of people are curly hairs so I think that I noticed that I’m not than everyone else because I’m a special hair.
7. I think I always knew that I mean I grew up with mostly like white people and I was always a darkest one so I always felt kind of outcast mood by that you know they come for more money from less but I mean never really bothered me.
8. Women 8: You know... maybe about 10 years ago probably about 10 years ago you might have question
   Thoraya: Do you remember what specifically or generally made you feel that way?
   Women 8: There’s a lot of things actually yeah I’m 37 years old I have 6 children and there’s hardly anyone like me like that I travel the world for living so yeah and definitely not like everyone else.
9. Well younger and just got into an argument with a girl who didn’t like the same thing I was like okay I’m different. Because I was into a different type of guys than girls I was any allegory.

10. When I came to study to the US in psych you know I didn’t know English and I don’t know anything from like the culture here so I had to learn everything and people kind of me like I mean I got bullied a little bit but like some of my yeah..so I was like when I was like 10

11. I guess that’s a hard question because being unique is like the cool thing to do right now and so everyone trying to be unique makes you look like everybody else so It’s kind of hard to be not like everyone else nowadays especially good Instagram and Facebook it’s so known to everyone for me if you’re cool you’re actually not that cool I guess that’s my answer I’m not I guess I am kind of like everyone else probably.

12. Just last week in my child development class that I attend at college and they were talking about how adolescents go through mood swings but that they are usually done by like 18 years old and I’m definitely still going through dramatic mood swings that was probably one.

13. Women 13: I was born in Ohio in a real small town and when I registered for school that year I got to have my picture in the newspaper because I was the smallest child to ever register for school it was a slow news day I only weighed like 40 pounds or something like that I was just very petite very tiny. I said it was a small town and you could get anything in the paper Thoraya: so you unique

Women 13: That’s great especially the difference in her heights

Men 7: She’s TG and I’m big daddy peregrine kids

14. I wasn’t born with a sense of smell yeah so my cousins would ask me to smell things I was lie to them and be like oh it smells goods like I would wait for the reactions but yeah I still can’t smell to this day.

15. Women 15: I don’t know if I’ve ever realized I don’t know Thoraya: why would you say that?

Women 15: I’m not sure I think everyone’s watching them

Men Answers:

1. I realize everyone else I am like everyone else I’m just a regular normal guy just my wife doesn’t appreciate her understand that she won’t done the special thinks I’m special but i’m just a regular guy.

2. Men 2: Highschool

Thoraya: If you remember what made you feel that way?

Men 2: All my friends started drinking and smoking and getting into things and I was just thought into it and that’s around the time I found hardcore music and I realize that being clean from drug and alcohol is something that’s strong within hardcore scene and I found straightedge and that’s when I realize kind of different from a lot of people would similar to a lot as well

3. Okay I think I realized I was not like everyone else as soon as I realized that there were other people so like as far back as I can remember and I’m exactly um... I guess I just always felt like it was hard to find just the right place to fit in where there were other people like me
4. Men 4: I realized one like when I’m live like your group of people and notice that I stood out because like everybody was laughing and joking together and I just couldn’t like to see humor behind it or my humor wasn’t the same as their cause when I thought like man I’m not like him so I was like I wasn’t making middle school
Thoraya: Still feel that way today?
Men 4: Yeah definitely

5. When I realized I started picking up on the propaganda and the media more when I was a kid I like seeing it mixed in with like religion and everything else and you just you could realize but you know you’d be alive through it everybody’s sitting on here like I’ll believe this for real it’s like not as stuff as I saw joke I like I can’t believe people fall for this and then that’s when I started to realize it like if you aren’t paying attention stuff’s going on.

6. When people kept telling me you don’t belong here you don’t know how to actually talk to people you not like everyone else that kind of made me feel like I’m not like other people but I could be different in a good way.

7. When I was born because I was a big baby so I was 9 pounds 12 ounces

8. I guess I’m still seeing you know what sort of basis that is really founded on and if that’s like if that’s just my interpretation that I’m different with anybody else but I can’t remember exactly

9. Men 9: When probably after college I went to LSU in Baton Rouge you know the whole time you’re there you’re probably trying to fit in with everyone else but you at the end of my tenure there in college I think I realized it that’s not really what it’s about
Thoraya: Do you remember what specifically made me feel that way?
Men 9: Not really no I would have to say just you know kind of feel like you fight it for a while and then one day you realize that what’s the point.

10. Men 10: First off that is the best question I would say when I was 3 and my that’s probably my first memory I ever had and I feel like I just knew that day it was just like the beginning of my growth
Thoraya: And you remember what exactly made you feel that way?
Men 10: No I just have this like imagine in my head and I like to paint and so a lot of times people ask me you know to explain the painting and I can’t it’s more just a feeling so in my head is just this memory in this image and I’m down and I’m just looking up and I’m like that’s like my first memory that’s like the thing I remember and then I’ve started from 3.

“Thoraya Maronesy’s YouTube Page of Strangers React to Being Called Beautiful.”

Thoraya : So like I was telling you guys earlier usually I go and ask People questions but today I thought it would be cool if I just went out and filmed people that I think are beautiful

“You are beautiful, How does it feel to be beautiful?”
Women Answers :

1. Thank you
2. That’s so kind Oh my goodness that’s great
3. Oh my God thank you
4. Oh... it’s so sweet thank you
5. Oh that’s cute that’s sweet
6. Oh that’s sweet
7. Oh that so sweet
8. Oh that’s so sweet thank you
9. That’s so nice you see these all the time and I was like that’s not really. Thank you
10. Oh that’s so nice oh my God. That is such a good project it looks really nice
11. Thank you that’s so nice Oh my God thank you
12. That’s awesome, thanks I love that thank you so much you are beautiful too
13. Women 19 : I see your videos oh my God okay
    Thoraya : as you know I usually go and ask
    People questions but today I thought it would be cool if I just went out and filmed people that I think beautiful

Women 19 : oh my God I am really cry oh that’s so sweet you are beautiful too. I think what you do is beautiful as well I think it takes a lot of courage

Thoraya : thank you so much

Women 19 : you are welcome

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Men Answers :

1. Oh my... thank you thank you I love you
2. Nice
3. Okay. What’s going on are you feeling any like...
4. Men 4 : thank you. You think I’m beautiful ? you say I’m beautiful?
    Thoraya : yeah
5. Are you talking about... okay thank you you are beautiful too
6. Oh thank you
7. Oh that’s so sweet
8. Thoraya: you are beautiful
   Men 8: Okay.
   Thoraya: How does it feel being beautiful?
   Men 8: Alright, I think I know what you’re doing I just got asked fine I guess
9. Thank you I appreciate that
10. Okay so what are we looking out today. Oh my gosh I’m not quick enough for that but thank you
11. Thoraya: how does it feel being beautiful?
    Men 11: It feels great it feels really good when people say that too buy it’s okay. It feels great we are appreciated
    Thoraya: you feel beautiful?
    Men 11: yeah I feel beautiful
12. Oh yeah thanks
13. Thank you appreciate that
14. That’s very sweet. Well you should be filming yourself
15. Thank you
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17. Thank you
18. Okay thank you
19. Thank you
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