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The Effect of Using Question-Answer Relationship (QAR) Strategy on Students' Reading Comprehension in Descriptive Text of XII Grade at SMA Negeri 2 Perbaungan

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ABSTRACT

The objective of this research was to obtain evidence of the effectiveness of the use of question-and-answer strategy relationships to students' reading ability in the description text This research uses quantitative research methods with experimental designs. The sample from this research was selected using a random sampling technique with a total sample of 70 students divided into two classes, an experimental class and a control class. The population of this research is class XII students of SMA Negeri 2 Perbaungan. The instrument used is a reading ability test. Before giving treatment, the students of both classes were given preliminary tests to find out what still exists in their ability to read explanatory texts. The test consists of 20 multiple-choice questions. At the end of the treatment, the students were given a post-test. Data from the two classes is processed using t-test. The average result from the post-test shows an improvement from the pre-test result to the post-test result. The results of the t-test show that the t-observed is greater than the t-table, namely t-observed 16.15 and t-table 2.00. The point is that the t-observed is greater than the t-table (16.15>2.00) with df 68 at a significant level of α 0.025. After analyzing the data, it can be stated that Ho (Null Hypothesis) has been rejected and Ha (Alternative Hypothesis) has been accepted. Thus, the question-and-answer relationship strategy has an effect on students' reading comprehension in the description text.

Kata Kunci

Influence, Relationship Strategy Q&A, Reading Descriptive Text

INTRODUCTION

Reading is an essential skill for everyone, no matter who they are. As Grabe and Stoller (2014) state that reading is ability to draw meaning from the printed page and interpret the information appropriately. Reading is needed to get the information or main idea from what the reader has read. The reader uses knowledge, skills, and strategies to determine what the text meaning. Reading is also essential because reading allows readers to use their ability to communicate and understand the author to understand and obtain information written by the author without having to interact directly with the author.

Teaching reading at school is aimed at improving students reading ability to comprehend reading text. The aim of teaching reading is to develop the students reading skills so the students can read English text efficiently and effectively. Most of students feel that reading is very difficult work because they don't understand correctly how to comprehend a reading material. Comprehension is one of the most important elements to understand a reading text.

One of text that are taught and learned in the lever of senior high school is descriptive text. According to Anderson (2014), Descriptive text is a text that describes particular person, place or things. Its very important to understand the descriptive text because its relate to every single aspects of life such as knowing the characteristics or description of a things, a place and a person.

To improve the students comprehension in reading the text, it needs a strategy which can motivate the students to read. The Question Answer Relationship (QAR) Strategy is the strategy which is applied to improve students achievement in reading comprehension. By using this strategy the students was interested in reading, easy to be learn and easy to be understood or comprehend the reading text.

Through this strategy, the researcher hopes that it can help to reveal the problems. It is also expected that this study can give some contributions to the readers, students also teachers about strategy in teaching reading to help the students achieve their goals in their reading.

RESEARCH METHOD

In this research, researcher used an experimental research. An experimental research involved two groups: experimental group and control group with using both of Pre-test and Post-test. An experimental group received a new treatment while control group received an usual treatment. The new treatment is using Question Answer Relationship (QAR) strategy, and the usual treatment is using Conventional strategy.

Table 1. Design of the Research

Group	Pre-test	Treatment	Post-test
Experimental	✓	Using QAR Strategy	✓
Control	✓	Without Using QAR	√
Control	•	Strategy	,

The population of this research were Grade XII students of SMA Negeri 2 Perbaungan which consists of six classes, they are XII-MIA¹, XII-MIA², XII-MIA³, XII-IPS¹, XII-IPS², and XII-IPS³ with the total population is 231 students. The number of population were shown in the following table:

Table 2. Population

No.	Class	Population
1.	XII-MIA ¹	35
2.	XII-MIA ²	35
3.	XII-MIA ³	35
4.	XII-IPS ¹	42
5.	XII-IPS ²	42
6.	XII-IPS ³	42
	TOTAL	231

In this research takes the sample by using cluster random sampling. Cluster random sampling is a sampling technique where the entire population devide into groups. The researcher will take two class as the sample. They are XII-MIA¹ as the experimental group and XII-MIA² as the control group. The total sample are 70 students. The number of sample shown in the following table:

Table 3. Sample

No.	Class	Sample
1.	XII-MIA ¹	35
2.	XII-MIA ²	35
	TOTAL	70

The instrument in this research will use the multiple choice test. The form of the test is reading comprehension test. The test will be use to get the students score both of the experimental group and control group. The scores of students will be use as the data of this research. There are 20 multiple choice questions in this research. The score of each test is 5 and the range of score is 0-100. The researcher only focuses on four indicators of reading comprehension as follow:

Table 4.
The Indicators of Reading

No.	Indicators	Number of Test	Score
1.	To find main idea.	5	25
	For main idea question, look at the first line of each paragraph.		
2.	To find the directly and indiretly answer and questions. For the directly and indirectly answered detail question, choose a key in the question and skim	5	25

	for that keyword (or a related idea) in the		
	passage.		
3.	To get the meaning of vocabulary.	5	25
	For vocabulary question, the question will tell		
	where the word is located in the passage.		
4.	To find overall review questions.	5	25
	For overall review questions, the answer are		
	find anywhere in the passage.		
	Total	20	100

To find out whether test item is qualified as a good instrument in the research or not before use to measure students reading comprehension skill, previously try out test must be held. Try out test is implement to find out the validity and reliability as follow:

a. Validity Test

The validity is an important quality of any test. According to Arikunto (2012) a test is valid if it measures what it purpose to be measure. The validity of an item can be known by doing item analysis. It is count by using Pearson Product Moment on SPSS 22 software.

b. Reliability

It means consistent. Reliability refers to the consistency of test scores. Besides having high validity, a good test should have high reliability too. To measure the reliability of test item, it can be use SPSS 22 software. In this research, researcher use alpha cronbach's formula. Reliability alpha cronbach's to compass based on taken decision which certain done.

To analyze the data, the researcher used t-test and t-table compared with the degrees of freedom (df) test, t-test as follows (Arikunto, 2012):

$$t = \frac{X_{1-}X_{2}}{\sqrt{\left(\frac{\sum_{X}2 + \sum_{X}2}{n_{1} + n_{2} - 2}\right)\left(\frac{1}{n_{1}} + \frac{1}{n_{2}}\right)}}$$

Where:

 X_1 = The mean of experimental group

 X_2 = The mean of control group

 X_{1^2} = The deviation of experimental group

 X_{2^2} = The deviation of control group

 n_1 = The total sample of experiment group

 n_2 = The total sample of control group

RESULT AND DISCUSSION

The researcher was implemented at SMA Negeri 2 Perbaungan in the academic year 2022/2023 consists of two classes, where in classes, XII-MIA¹ consists of 35 students and XII-MIA² consists of 35 students, so the total of the sample are 70 students.

The researcher analyzed the result of the test which conducted in expermental group and control group to find out whether the use of Question-Answer Relationship Strategy on students reading comprehension in descriptive text. Therefore it is aimed at describing the effect of QAR Strategy on students reading comprehension in descriptive text.

Table 5.
The Result of Data Analysis of Experimental Group and Control Group

N=35	Group	$\sum X$	Mean	Deviation			
	Experimental	975	27,8	3814,4			
	Control	194	5,5	850,75			

The calculation by applying t-test:

$$t = \frac{X_{1} - X_{2}}{\sqrt{\left(\frac{\sum_{X} 2 + \sum_{X} 2}{n_{1} + n_{2} - 2}\right) \left(\frac{1}{n_{1}} + \frac{1}{n_{2}}\right)}}$$

$$t = \frac{27,8 - 5,5}{\sqrt{\left(\frac{3814,4 + 850,75}{35 + 35 - 2}\right) \left(\frac{1}{35} + \frac{1}{35}\right)}}$$

$$t = \frac{22,3}{\sqrt{\left(\frac{4665,15}{68}\right) \left(\frac{2}{70}\right)}}$$

$$t = \frac{22,3}{\sqrt{(68,60).(0,028)}}$$

$$t = \frac{22,3}{\sqrt{1,920}}$$

$$t = \frac{22,3}{1,38}$$

$$t = 16,15$$

Validity Test

To know the validity of instrument, the writer used the Pearson product moment formula to analyze each item. It was obtained that from 25 test items; there were 22 test items which were valid and 3 test items which were invalid.

		01	02	03	04	05	06	07	98	Q9	Q10	011	Q12	Q13	Q14	Q15	016	Q17	Q18	Q19	920	Q21	022	023	Q24	Q25	Total
01	Pearson Correlation	1.	131	167	111	131	089	.259	.208	111	089	.196	.111	-,131	.259	-,131	.149	-149	-,149	131	- 131	.196	.389	149	- 149	- 184	.1
	Sig. (2-tailed) N	30	.491 30	.379 30	.559	.491 30	.640 30	.167	.271 30	.559	.640	.299 30	.559	.491 30	.167	.491 30	.432 30	.432 30	.432	.491 30	.491 30	.299 30	.034 30	.432	.432 30	.331	.5
92	Pearson Cornelation	-131	1	.049	131	.135	-105	-131	- 095	-131	288	-154	.049	135	131	-154	-175	.088	-175	-154	423	-154	196	-175	-175	216	0
	Sig. (2-tailed)	491		.797	491	.478	.581	.491	.618	491	122	.417	797	.478	.491	.417	.354	.645	.354	.417	.020	.417	.299	354	.354	.251	.6
	N	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	- 3
03	Pearson Correlation Sig. (2-tailed)	167 379	.049 .797	1	.111	196 .299	134 .481	167 379	035 .856	.111	-134 481	-196 299	250 .183	.049	.389° 034	.049	.224 .235	1,000	.224 235	.294	.049 .797	196 .299	842 .827	224	.224 .235	.118	.0
	N (2-tailed)	30	30	30	30	299	30	30	30	30	30	289	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	
04	Pearson Correlation	111	131	.111	1	131	089	-111	- 254	.630"	356	.196	.111	-131	-111	-,131	-149	149	.149	196	131	.196	167	-149	.149	.342	- 2
	Sig. (2-tailed)	.559	.491	.559	2000	.491	.640	.559	.176	.000	.053	299	.559	.491	.559	.491	.432	.432	.432	299	.491	.299	.379	.432	.432	.065	12
05	N Pearson Correlation	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	
us:	Sig. (2-tailed)	131 491	.135	196 299	131 491	- 1	-105 581	131 -491	.109	.195	.288 .122	.135 478	.049	-154 417	131 -491	154 -417	-175 354	.351	175 354	-154 417	.135	.135	195 299	.088	175 .354	216 .251	1
	N	30	30	30	30	38	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	- 2
06	Pearson Correlation	089	105	134	089	105	31	089	.074	089	-071	288	134	105	089	.288	-120	-120	-120	105	.288	105	- 134	120	-120	-147	
	Sig. (2-tailed)	640	.581	.481	.640	.581		.640	.698	.640	.708	122	491	.581	640	.122	529	.529	529	.591	.122	.581	.491	.529	.529	.437	1 3
07	N Pearson Correlation	30 259	30	167	111	131	089	38	208	-111	089	-131	30	131	30 259	-131	-149	149	.149	30 .196	131	131	30	149	149	30 .079	
w.	Sig. (2-tailed)	.167	491	379	559	.491	640		271	.559	.640	491	559	.491	.167	491	432	432	432	299	491	.491	.034	432	432	679	1 8
	N	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	
08	Pearson Correlation	.208	095	035	254	.109	.074	.208	1	023	.074	.109	209	095	.208	.109	.031	-,155	-,155	- 095	095	.109	.857	.217	.031	.071	1
	Sig. (2-tailed) N	.271 30	.618	.856	.176	.568	.698	.271	30	.984 30	.698 30	.568 30	271	.618	.271 30	.568	.871 30	414	.414	.618	.618	.568	.000	.250 30	.871	.710 30	
09	Pearson Cornelation	-111	-,131	.111	.630	.196	089	-111	023	1	356	.196	.111	-131	111	-131	-149	-149	-149	.196	.196	-131	167	149	.149	.079	
	Sig. (2-tailed)	.559	.491	.559	.000	.299	.640	.559	.904		.053	.299	.559	.491	.559	.491	.432	.432	.432	299	.299	.491	.379	.432	.432	.679	
	N	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	
010	Pearson Correlation Sig. (2-tailed)	089 .640	288	134 481	.356	288	071	089	.074	.356 .053	- 1	.288	.200 288	105 .581	089 .640	105 .581	-120	.239	120 .529	105 .581	-:105 :581	105 .581	134 .481	-120	120 .529	147	
	Sig. (2-tailed) N	30	122	481	.053	.122	.708 30	30	.698	30	30	122	288	30	30	381	529	203	529	30	.581	.581	30	.529 36	.529	.437	1
011	Pearson Correlation	.196	154	196	.196	.135	.288	131	.109	.196	288	1	294	154	131	135	.088	.088	175	154	154	.423	.049	175	175	- 216	
	Sig. (2-tailed)	299	.417	299	.299	.478	.122	.491	.568	299	.122	17.50	.115	.417	.491	.478	.645	.645	354	.417	.417	.020	.797	354	.354	.251	1 3
012	N	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	38	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	
012	Pearson Correlation Sig. (2-tailed)	.111 .559	.049 .797	250 .183	.559	,049 ,797	134 .481	.111	- 208 - 271	.111	.200 .288	.115	1	.049 .797	167 .379	196 .299	-224 -235	1.000	1.000	-196 299	.049	.049	042 .827	224	1.000	079 .679	
	N.	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	
013	Pearson Correlation	131	:135	.049	131	154	-,105	131	095	-131	185	154	.049	1	.196	.423	.088	.088	351	.423	154	154	.049	.099	175	.015	
	Sig. (2-tailed)	.491	478	.797	.491	.417	.581	.491	.618	.491	.581	417	.797		.299	.020	.645	.645	.057	.020	.417	.417	.797	.645	.354	.935	1 3
Q14	N Pearson Correlation	30 259	-131	30 .389	-111	30 131	089	30 .259	208	-111	30 - 089	-131	30 167	30 .196	30	30 .196	30 .149	30 .149	30 .447	.196	30 131	-131	30	.149	30 -149	.079	-4
414	Sig. (2-tailed)	.167	491	.034	.559	491	089	.167	271	.559	- 089	491	.167	.190	- 21	.196	432	.432	.013	299	491	.491	.034	.432	.149	.679	1
	N	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	
Q15	Pearson Correlation	131	154	.049	131	154	.288	131	.109	-:121	105	.135	196	.423	.196	1	.088	.088	.018	.423	154	154	.049	175	175	.015	
	Sig. (2-tailed) N	.491	.417	.797	.491 30	.417	.122	.491	.568	491	.581	478	.299	.020	299		.645 30	645	.645	.020	.417	.417	797	354	.354	.935	
016	N Pearson Correlation	149	-175	224	-,149	175	-120	30 -149	.031	-149	-120	.088	30 -224	.088	30 149	30	30	.040	040	.088	30 175	30	.224	30 .040	- 200	-035	\vdash
	Sig. (2-tailed)	432	354	.235	.432	354	.529	432	.871	432	529	.645	235	.645	432	.645		.834	834	645	354	.057	235	.834	.289	853	
	N	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	
017	Pearson Correlation	149	088	.000	149	.351	120	.149	-155	-149	.239	.088	.000	.088	:149	.088	.040		.280	351	-175	.088	- 224	- 200	.040	- 247	- 1
	Sig. (2-tailed) N	.432 30	.645	1.000	.432 30	.057	.529 30	.432 30	.414 30	432	203	.645 30	1.000	.645	.432 30	.645	.834	30	.134	.057	.354	.645 30	.235 30	.299 30	.834	.189	1
018	Pearson Cornelation	-149	- 175	.224	.149	175	120	.149	-155	149	-,120	175	.000	.351	447	.098	.040	280	1	.351	-175	.088	.000	280	200	176	
	Sig. (2-tailed)	.432	354	235	.432	.354	.529	.432	.414	.432	.529	.354	1.000	.057	.013	.645	.834	.134	100	.057	.354	.645	1.000	.134	.289	352	
	N	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	
019	Pearson Correlation Sig. (2-tailed)	131 .491	-:154 :417	.115	.198	154 .417	105 .581	.196 .299	095 .618	.196	105 .581	154 .417	196 299	.020	.196	.423	.088	.351	.351	1	154 -417	154 .417	.049	175 354	.645	.247	
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020	Pearson Correlation	131	.423	.049	-,131	.135	.288	131	095	.196	105	-154	.049	154	131	154	175	175	-175	154	1.	154	195	.003	175	216	
	Sig. (2-tailed)	.491	.020	797	491	478	.122	.491	,618	299	.581	417	.797	.417	.491	.417	.354	.354	.354	.417		417	299	.645	354	.251	
021	N Pearson Correlation	30 196	30	30 -195	30 195	.135	30 -105	-131	30 109	- 131	30	30 423	30	30	30 -131	30 - 154	30	30	30	-154	30 -154	30	30 294	- 175	30	30	\vdash
421	Pearson Correlation Sig. (2-tailed)	.196	-154	196 .299	.196	.135	-105 -581	-131	.109	-131 491	-105 -581	.020	.049	-154	-131 491	-,154 -417	.351	.088	.088	-154	-154		.115	175	.175	.935	
	N	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	
022	Pearson Correlation	389	196	042	-,167	196	134	.389	.657"	167	-134	.049	042	.049	389	.049	.224	224	.010	.049	196	294	1	.224	.000	.315	-
	Sig. (2-tailed)	.034	299	.827	.379	.299	.481	.034	.000	379	.481	797	.927	.797	.034	797	235	.235	1.010	.797	.299	.115	550	.235	1.000	.090	
023	N Pearson Correlation	-149	-175	30 224	-149	.088	-120	149	217	30 149	- 120	- 175	30 224	.088	149	-175	.040	- 200	30 280	- 175	30	-175	30 224	30	.040	176	\vdash
423	Sig (2-tailed)	149 .432	354	224	432	.088	.529	432	217	.149	-120	.354	224	.845	.149	.175	.834	-200	.134	354	.645	354	224		.834	.176	
	N	30	30	30	30	38	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	38	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	L
024	Pearson Correlation	149	175	224	.149	- 175	-,120	.149	.031	.149	120	- 175	.000	-175	149	175	- 200	.040	- 210	.088	175	175	.000	.040	1.	388	
	Sig. (2-tailed) N	.432	354	.235	.432	354	.529	.432 30	.871	432	.529	354	1.000	354	.432	354	.289 30	.834	.289 30	.645	.354	354	1.000	.834	30	.034	
025	N Pearson Cornelation	184	-216	.118	342	-216	<.147	.079	.071	.079	-147	-216	079	.015	.079	.015	035	-247	.176	247	-216	.015	.315	.176	388	30	\vdash
- 0.0	Sig. (2-tailed)	.331	251	.534	.065	.251	.437	.679	.710	.679	437	251	.579	.935	.679	.835	.853	.189	.352	188	251	.935	.090	.352	.034	- 2	
	N	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	30	
Total	Pearson Correlation	.100	095	.317	.211	.052	098	.267	413	.267	169	.249	.150	249	.489	.199	.194	.239	.373	.445	095	.199	.525"	.328	.060	.310	
	Sig. (2-tailed) N	.599	.618	.088	263	.784	.606	.154	.023	.154	371	.185	.429 30	.185	.006	291	305	.204	.042	.014	.618	.291	.003	.077	.754	.095	
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Reliability Test

Based on taken decision in reliability is if alpha value more large from r table then inquiry items which used is reliable or consistent, the other way if alpha value more little from r table then inquiry items which used is not reliable or not consistent. In conclusion, the realiability of the question items has high reliability.

Case Processing Summary

		N	%
Cases	Valid	30	100.0
	Excluded ^a	0	.0
	Total	30	100.0

Listwise deletion based on all variables in the procedure.

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Cronbach's Alpha	Part 1	Value	.130			
		N of Items	11ª			
	Part 2	Value	.473			
		N of Items	11 ^b			
	Total N	22				
Correlation Between Forms						
Spearman-Brown	Equal L	ength	.301			
Coefficient	Unequa	l Length	.301			
Guttman Split-Half Coefficient						

- a. The items are: Q1, Q3, Q4, Q5, Q7, Q8, Q9, Q10, Q11, Q12, Q13.
- b. The items are: Q14, Q15, Q16, Q17, Q18, Q19, Q21, Q22, Q23, Q24, Q25.

In this research, the result of computing the t-test shows that the t-observed is higher than t-table or it can be showed as follow: t-observed is 16,15 and t-table is 2.00. It means that t-observed is the higher than t-table (16.15<2.00) with df 68 at the level of significance α =0,025. Thus, the alternative hypothesis (Ha) is accepted. It can conclude that in the teaching and learning process by using QAR Strategy in reading descriptive text is effective to use.

CONCLUSIONS

After the researcher has analysis the data, conclusion can be drawn as following: Based on the findings, it was found that there was any significant effect of using Question Answer Relationship Strategy on the students reading comprehension which was proven from the result of the test (t-test > t-table) from significant 5% (16.15 > 2.00) it means that null hypothesis is rejected and alternative hypothesis is accepted.

Finally, after complete all the process of research for a few times from collecting the data into analyse the data based on all the theories that the researcher used in this research, at the end of this research the researcher can concluded that the used of QAR Strategy on Students Reading Comprehension in Descriptive Text has a significance effect.

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