

CHAPTER IV

CONCLUSION

Men and women use different language to interact each other in society. They speak a particular language in different ways. The way they speak reflected their own language associated with gender. Gender itself look at the differences between men and women affected by social and cultural factor.

In this research, the writer focuses on analyzing women's language of Michelle Obama and Oprah Winfrey. Lakoff (1975) proposed Linguistic features which characterize women speech. Linguistic features itself is a women's register which served to maintain women (inferior) in society. According t Lakoff, there are 10 Linguistic features. They are lexical hedges and fillers, tag question, rising intonation on declaratives, empty adjectives, precious color terms, intensifiers, hypercorrect grammar, superpolite forms, avoidance of strong swear word and emphatic stress.

Having analyzed 28 data from 10 dialogues, it is found that there are 4 linguistic features used by Michelle Obama and Oprah Winfrey. They are lexical hedges and fillers, tag question, rising intonation on declaratives and intensifiers. There are three functions of the use of linguistic features. They are boosting device, hedging device and request for feedback.

The most used features is intensifier and the function is the boosting device. It can be conclude that Michelle and Oprah often emphasize or strengthen their utterance. They tend to use the intensifier because they need to strengthen

their utterance to get audience's attention since their conversation talk about the important thing about women which is the next generation of women. Even though they are well-known figure in the United States they still tend to use women's language to strengthen their assertion.

