



Maxim Violation in Death Race Inferno 3 Movie

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ABSTRACT

According to Zor (2006), maxim violation that people tend to violate the maxims during the exchange of conversation quietly and unostentatiously when they fail to observe the maxim intentionally (as cited in Al-Qaderi, 2015, pp. 80-81). Grice (1989 :28) said that when the speaker does not fulfill or obey the maxims, the speaker is said to violate the maxims. This study concerns with the type of maxim violation that appeared in movie of Death Race Inferno 3. The study aims to analyze the types of maxim violation that found in the movie. The data were taken from the movie of Death Race Inferno 3 that has been downloaded from FlashNet.com and they are collected through observation and note taking technique. The theory of Grice (1975) is used to analyse the maxim violation type. The result shows that there are some maxim violations appear in the movie and are uttered by the characters in the movie. The study concludes that in the movie there are found 15 of maxim violations, 3 violation maxim of quantity, 3 violation maxim of quality, 6 violation maxim of relevance and 3 violations maxim of manner.

1. INTRODUCTION

Maxim is the way how we successful communication does not only depend on what we are saying but also how we are saying something. According to Grice (1975), a speaker who doing a maxim will be able to mislead. There are four types of maxims. The four types of maxims are maxim of quality, maxim of quantity, maxim relevance and maxim of manner. In philosophy maxim is a concise expression of a fundamental moral rule or principle, whether considered as objective or subjective contingent (Young, 1998:3). In maxim violation, Zor (2006) argues that people tend to violate the maxims during the exchange of conversation quietly and unostentatiously when they fail to observe the maxim intentionally (as cited in Al-Qaderi, 2015, pp. 80-81). Grice (1989 :28) said that when the speaker does not fulfill or obey the maxims, the speaker is said to violate the maxims.

Crystal (1985: 62-5) explains that pragmatics studies the factors that govern our choice of language in social interaction and the effect of our choice on others. In theory, we can say anything we like. However, in practice, we just follow the social rules of a large number (most of them unconsciously) that constrain the way we speak. Pragmatics examines the factors that drive language choice in social interactions and the influence of this choice on speech partners. In theory, we could say anything that we like. In practice, we have to follow several (mostly unconscious) social rules that we must follow. People who focus on learning pragmatics will make it easier for people to know how language organizes and expresses meaning in conversation. In conversation, it is found that its utterances are not complete and clear. Of course, it makes the listener difficult to get the meaning of the utterances to get a proper communication that is the speaker should give the clear and complete sentence to the listener. In order to make a conversation being understood by the speaker and hearer, there must be a general principle of language use, which is what we called cooperative principles. Grice (1989). Basically, the principle of cooperation explains that in every communication the speech participants must contribute well. The contribution in question is provide sufficient information to the interlocutor, namely correct, clear information, coherent, and relevant to the conversation. In this principle, there are four maxims must be applied, namely the maxim of quality, maxim of quantity, maxim of relevance, and maxim manner. The objective of this study decided into two parts, the first is to find out the type of maxim violation and the second is to find out the reason for type of maxim violation.

There are some previous studies which discuss about Maxim Violation. The first article is written by Arthanti (2013) entitled "Analyzed Violation of Grice's Maxim in the Garfield Hang Out Comic", the purpose of this research is to find out the violations of Grice's maxim in the source text (ST) of Garfield "Hang Out" comic and also to know whether those violation Grice's maxim also happen in the target text

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(TT). The second article that related in this study is written by [Winantu \(2016\)](#) entitled “The Violation of Cooperative Principle on Students Responses Toward Teacher Questions in TEFL Class”, the purpose of this research is to identify the types of maxims which are violated on students responses in TEFL class. And the third article is written by [Chairunnisa \(2014\)](#), entitled “The Violating Maxims of Main Characters in the Hangover Movie’s Script” The main characters in the Hangover movie are Phil Wenneck, Alan Garner, Stu Price, and Doug Bilings. This study showed that maxim violation in cooperative principle could have occurred in the movie like The Hangover. In the Hangover movie, all main characters violated the types of maxims.

2. METHODS

The data source of this study was taken from a movie entitled Death Race Inferno 3 and the script in Death Race Inferno 3 it was taken from the FlashNet.com. This study focuses on finding out the maxim violations in the conversation between characters in Death Race Inferno 3. The researcher chooses a movie entitled Death Race Inferno 3 to analyze because mostly the characters violate the maxim when they are talking to each other in the movie. Death race Inferno 3 is an action movie directed by Roel Reine and release on 20 January 2013 in America. The data were collected by observation and note taking method. This study applied a descriptive qualitative method which is used to describe the types of maxim violations found in Death Race Inferno 3 movie.

3. RESULTS AND DISCUSSIONS

RESULT

Maxim violation, [Zor \(2006\)](#) argues that people tend to violate the maxims during the exchange of conversation quietly and unostentatiously when they fail to observe the maxim intentionally ([as cited in Al-Qaderi, 2015, pp.80-81](#)). [Grice \(1989 :28\)](#) said that when the speaker does not fulfill or obey the maxims, the speaker is said to violate the maxims. There are four types of maxim violation, violation of maxim quantity, violation of maxim quality, violation of maxim relevance and violation of maxim manner.

Table 1. Types of Maxim Violation

No	Types of Maxim Violation	Occurrences
1	The Violation of Maxim Quantity	3
2	The Violation of Maxim Quality	3
3	The Violation of Maxim Relevance	6
4	The Violation of Maxim Manner	3

The table above found the four types of maxim violation in Death Race Inferno 3 movie. There are 15 maxim violations found in the Death Race Inferno 3 movie, which is found 3 violation maxim of quantity, 3 violation maxim of quality, 6 violation maxim of relevance and 3 violations maxim of manner. From the table above, almost all the characters in this movie do, almost all the characters in this movie do maxim violations in their conversation. The result of the analysis presents the most dominant type of maxim violation was the violation maxim of relevance.

DISCUSSION

Violation of Maxim Quantity

Katrina Banks : So, what kind of deal did they make?
 Carl Lucas : I did not have a choice.
 Katrina Banks : Huh...

The conversation between Katrina and Carl Lucas happens in the jail of Kalahari. Katrina Banks is a tough woman who is very beautiful, Katrina Banks is also a prisoner with their teams such as Carl Lucas, Lists, and Goldberg. Katrina Banks is the girlfriend of Carl Lucas, while the participant in the conversation is Katrina Banks and Carl Lucas.

The statement from Katrina Banks to Carl Lucas violates maxim quantity because Katrina Banks replied statement from Carl Lucas by giving unclear information. Because when Carl Lucas and Niles talks, Carl Lucas makes a deal with new boss that is Niles, Carl Lucas does not want to tell Katrina Banks and team what is happening, Carl Lucas make a deal with Niles for new rules and new work. When Carl Lucas says “I did not have a choice” actually Carl Lucas keeps the secret what really happened to Katrina Banks and team

and Katrina Banks only answers Carl Lucas's only answers by say "Huhh". Because Katrina Banks feels confuse with Carl Lucas's statement. So, to avoid violation happens in the conversation above, Katrina Banks should give another statement to Carl Lucas by "Huhh", do you agree with all the rules? Katrina Banks delivers this statement to Carl Lucas to avoid violation in the conversation and make Carl Lucas provide information about what really happened. Katrina Banks statement "Huhh" is has many meanings and expressions. So, Katrina Banks give statement by "Huhh", do you agree with all the rules?" to Carl Lucas will avoid violation happen in conversation and give information clearly and make understand each character when doing conversation.

Violation of Maxim Quality

Niles : You will lose tomorrow, I will put you in the deepest, darkest cell I can find.

Carl Lucas : Bad idea!

Niles : What are you gonna do? Threaten to kill me?

Carl Lucas : No Niles, that would be letting you off to easy.

The conversation above between Carl Lucas and Niles happens in jail of Kalahari. Prison in Kalahari is very cruel, all of the prisoners there are sent to die in the prison of Kalahari. The security in Kalahari prison is rigorous and also every room in Kalahari is dark, the prison of Kalahari for prisoners who have crossed the limit of their behavior. The participant in this conversation are Niles and Carl Lucas.

The conversation between Niles and Carl Lucas can be classified as violation of maxim quality, it can be seen when Carl Lucas started to answer the question that Niles delivers by saying well, "No Niles that would be letting you off to easy" in their conversation. Carl Lucas made a deal with a new boss, Niles, in Death Race 2 movie Carl Lucas did follow Weyland's rules but in Death Race Inferno 3 Niles join business with Weyland and Weyland's rules don't apply in Death Race Inferno 3. Niles want to kill Carl Lucas but Carl Lucas is smart and brave it will be hard to kill Carl Lucas. Carl Lucas does lie to Niles, because when the Niles say "What are you gonna do? Threaten to kill me?" and Carl Lucas answer by "No Niles that would be letting you off to easy", so the violation happens when Carl Lucas answer by "No Niles that would be letting you off to easy" but in the fact Carl Lucas wants to kill Niles as the wish from Carl Lucas. Thus, to avoid the violation happens in the conversation above, the appropriate statement that should be deliver by Carl Lucas to Niles is "It is impossible for me". This statement avoid to violation happens in conversation, because when Carl Lucas says "It is impossible for me" Niles feels no one dare to kill Niles and Niles does not care about Carl Lucas that will make Carl Lucas easy to kill Niles.

Violation of Maxim Relevance

Niles : The company's banking nearly eight million quid a week hawking Frankenstein merchandise. He wasn't just gonna let it go.

Prudence : Anything else?

Niles : Yeah. Get yourself some decent clothes, you like a bag lady.

In conversation between Niles and Prudence happens in York Global Industries. York Global Industries as a place that when Weyland meet with Niles, Weyland and Niles do the business in York Global Industries. Weyland and Niles hope that their business will run smoothly and no one is betrayed. But finally, Niles is betrayed to Weyland and wants to rule it all. In conversation above the participant are Niles and Prudence.

The conversation above between Niles and Prudence has a violation of maxim relevance. Prudence is assistant of Niles, Prudence always follows Niles where did Niles go and take notes the important things that share with Niles, Niles told Prudence to find out who is Carl Lucas. In this context, Niles does not know who is Carl Lucas and Niles want to Prudence find out him. Niles do violate of maxim it can be seen from Niles answer when Prudence says "Anything else?" and Niles answer by irrelevance statement. Niles does a violation of maxim relevance, because when Niles say "The company's banking nearly hawking Frankenstein merchandise. He wasn't just gonna let it go" the Prudence answer of Niles statement by "Anything else?" and Niles answer by irrelevance statement "Yeah. Get yourself some decent clothes, you look like a bag lady." Thus, to avoid violation happens the appropriate statement should be delivered by Niles to Prudence is "No, that is all". This statement avoid violation happens in conversation, because when Niles answer the Prudence answer by irrelevance statement the Prudence feels there is something strange and if Niles answer by relevance statement "No, that is all" Prudence will feels everything well done and do not think there something strange.

Violation of Maxim Manner

Lists : This first official race of this kind started in Tijuana, Baja California on October 31st 1967 and was called the NORRA Mexican 1000 rally. The course length that year was and ended in La Paz, Baja California Sur, sir. The overall winning time was 27 hours 38 minutes set by Vic Wilson and Teg Mangels while driving a Meyers Manx buggy.

Goldberg : Who're you talking to?

Lists : Thought you'd appreciate some relative historical perspective.

In conversation above, the violation happens in Death Race area, Lists tell some history about race to Goldberg, lists are bookworms and also love to read books on history, Lists and Goldberg like father and son, but they both always disagree with their opinion. When Lists tell something about historical perspective Goldberg will confuse what is the meaning that was tell with Lists. In this participant (the tenor) conversation are Lists and Goldberg.

The conversation above between Lists and Goldberg has a violation of maxim manner. In conversation above, Lists and Goldberg do race the first desert in Kalahari South Africa. Lists and Goldberg are the team support and mechanic of Carl Lucas, when Lists tell some history about race to Goldberg, lists are bookworms and also love to read books on history, Lists and Goldberg like father and son, but they both always disagree with their opinion. When Lists tell something about historical perspective Goldberg will confuse what is the meaning that was tell with Lists. The statement by Lists can be classified as a violation of maxim manner, when Lists say by ambiguous statement "This first official race of this kind started in Tijuana, Baja California on October 31st 1967 and was called the NORRA Mexican 1000 rally. The course length that year was and ended in La Paz, Baja California Sur, sir. The overall winning time was 27 hours 38 minutes set by Vic Wilson and Teg Mangels while driving a Meyers Manx buggy" To Goldberg. Because the story of Lists that tell to Goldberg too long and make it Goldberg just answer by "Who're you talking to?", because Goldberg think that Lists give ambiguous information to Goldberg. To avoid the violation happens in conversation above, appropriate statement should be delivered by Lists to Goldberg is "Do you know history about race?". This statement can avoid the violation happens in their conversation, because when Lists ask to Goldberg about race that Goldberg does not know the history that Lists want to share, Lists will look like crazy people talking alone. So, it is better Lists ask to Goldberg by statement "Do you know history about race?".

4. CONCLUSION

Based on the discussion above, the movie is composed by types of maxim violation. There are 15 utterances that can be found in Death Race Inferno 3 movie and contain with maxim violation which used in responding the utterance given by the characters when doing the conversation. The characters in Death Race Inferno 3 movie did some maxim violation. The characters that violated the maxim try to hide something in each other by giving untruth information, and also it can be giving more or less information than required, giving the irrelevance respond and giving the unclearly information or expressed obscurity expression.

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