

## ABSTRACT

**Yesi Novita Sari.** 2023. “The Effectiveness of Collaborative Strategic Reading to Improve Reading Comprehension of eighth grade students at SMP Negeri 23 OKU”. **Thesis.** English Education Study Program, S1, Faculty of Teacher Training and Education, Baturaja University. Advisor 1 : Nurul Afifah, M.Pd., Advisor 2 : Neti Lastri, M.Pd.

This research aims to determine students' reading comprehension in eighth grade students of SMP Negeri 23 OKU who are taught by using Collaborative Strategic Reading. this research is conducted by using pre-experimental research design. the population of this research were all students of class VIII SMP Negeri 23 OKU. the total population is 164 students, and 30 students were taken as the sample through cluster random sampling. the pre-test and post-test were used as the techniques for collecting the data. base on the result of research findings the researchers found that the average pre-test score was 48,88 and the post-test score was to 74,00. from statistical analysis, research found that the value of  $\text{sig.}=0.000$  less than the value of significance level  $\alpha=0.05$  this show that the alternative hypothesis was accepted. it can be conclude that collaborative strategic reading was effectiveness to improve reading comprehension of eighth grade students at SMP Negeri 23 OKU. by using collaborative strategic reading students are more active and participate in the teaching and learning process of reading comprehension. therefore, collaborative strategic reading can be an alternative strategy for teachers in teaching reading which can improve their reading comprehension skill.

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