

LITA ISKANNISA, NPM. 13.21.0009, THE STUDENTS' ABILITY IN WRITING DESCRIPTIVE TEXT AT THE SEVENTH GARDE OF SMP NEGERI 9 BANJARBARU SCHOOL YEAR 2016/2017. Thesis, English Department; Islamic University of Kalimantan Muhammad Arsyad Al-Banjari Banjarmasin, Faculty of Teacher Training and Education. The First Adviser Drs. Andrea Chandra, M.Pd. The Second Adviser Nurhasanah, M.Pd.

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Writing is one way to express ideas, thoughts or feeling through a symbol (writing) and used to communication indirectly. Descriptive text is a text type that is widely used in everyday life to describe objects, place, people, animals and so forth. Ability is a change of energy in a person who is conceived with the mind and preceded by a response to the purpose. Ability is wide enough, include activities such as deed, thinking, talking, seeing, and so forth. However, in the narrow sense usually the ability is more shown to the activities in the form of deeds. The purpose of this research is to know how the students ability in writing descriptive text at the seventh grade of SMP Negeri 9 Banjarbaru. To find the data, the researcher uses a written test. There were 32 students involved as population in this research and the research was conducted by using quantitative descriptive method. This study consists of problems, research objectives, methods, research findings and conclusions. This research focuses on students' ability in writing descriptive text. Descriptive text included into the text type that is not too difficult but still found some difficulties faced by students when writing this essay, this is the background of researchers doing this research. The components analyzed are grammar, vocabulary and spelling.