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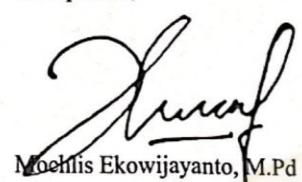
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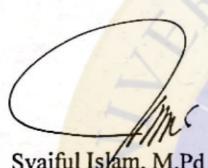
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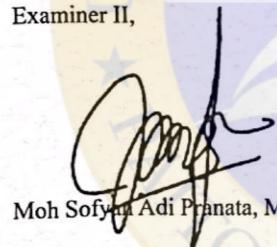
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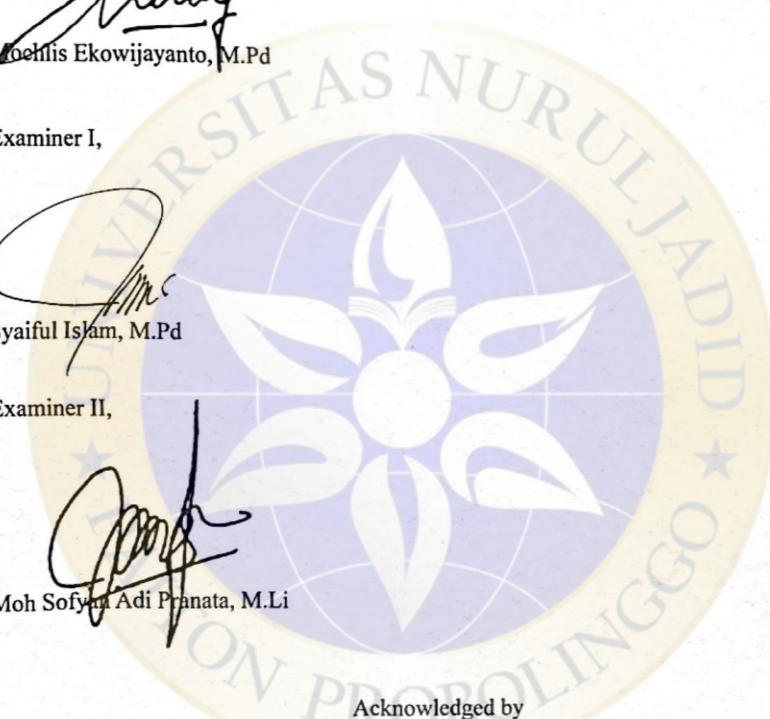


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“Bukan tentang seberapa cepat sampai tujuan, tapi seberapa kuat bertahan dalam proses”

*“Lagi dipahat kan? Ya pasti tersayat.
Stay alive even if life turns you off.”*

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English is a compulsory subject taught at the junior high school level, although many schools, including Islamic boarding schools, face limited availability of teachers with English language training. In many areas, including Islamic boarding schools, English teaching is often handled by teachers who are not from the English department. This situation creates various dynamics in the learning process that have not been studied, especially from the perspective of teachers' personal experiences. This study aims to investigate the experience of non-English teachers in teaching English in the pesantren environment, focusing on the challenges faced and the teaching strategies used to improve student understanding. A qualitative descriptive approach with phenomenological design is used. The data was collected through interviews and observations of a teacher at MTs Nurul Jadid. The results of the study show that the main challenge faced is not limited to mastery of the material, but also in the condition of student fatigue due to the dense activities of the Islamic boarding school, as well as the lack of motivation to learn. Despite having a non-English background, teachers can overcome these challenges through adaptive classroom management strategies, contextual and interactive learning methods, and personal competency development through training and independent learning. These findings show that non-English teachers can still teach English effectively as long as they have commitment, professional awareness, and the ability to adapt to the learning context.

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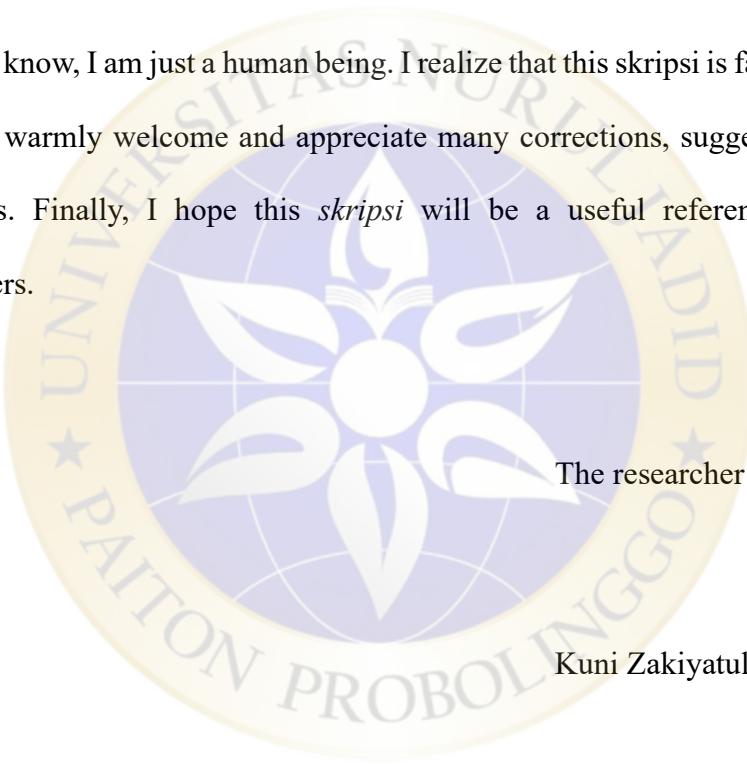
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