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ABSTRACT

As we know that the plagiarism is one of the bad habits that should be prevented by all. Although it cannot be totally prevented but it still can be reduced. It is important before plagiarism become a culture among the university's student in the future. This is very important because plagiarism can make the standard of education become not effective and also efficient. All of us must take action in this plagiarism. In many subjects, plagiarism can be minimized by appropriate design of essay question or student assessment generally. For an example, essay question can be posed which require the student to refer to recent newspaper or magazine articles, draw on personal experiences or make connections between theory and example not found in the literature. This prompts students to do their own work without any specific concern about plagiarism. By contrast, offering long list of possible essay topics, little changed from year to year, is a prescription for copying from published sources and also past essays. Although the plagiarism is difficult to detect, the checker of the assignment should give their effort in marking. They should not simply read the assignment of the students. They must read from the beginning to the end and compare the assignment with others assignment whether the student doing plagiarism with others assignment or not. Not only that the plagiarism can be detect by knowing the standard language by the students. It's means that the checker must alert in the language using standard by the students.

CHAPTER 1: INTRODUCTION

Plagiarism is an offence done by those who are copying, pasting or stealing the information directly from the information resources without changing any structure or modifying the information. In other word, they extract or quote other people's ideas or word without asking permission to do so. It can also identify as cheating on ideas.

In doing research about plagiarism activity, especially among university student, directly we can identify and know why these students plagiarized and it is based on the significant, scope, problem statement, objective, definition, and hypothesis of the study. In our study, the significant of studying plagiarism is to know its implications. By looking at all element of plagiarism, we can state some ways to overcome the problem. Besides that, the scope of the study's focuses on the University Technology of Mara at Sarawak branch. It involves all full time students either from diploma or from bachelor programmed.

Some problem statement occurs in doing plagiarism. From this problem, we can recognize the main problem that caused by plagiarism. Next, do the UiTMCS students occur the objective of the study, whereby the objective of the study is derived from the main problem. In the objective, we focused on the reason why the students plagiarize. For the definition of the study we had take the definition from Oxford University Dictionary and the definition made by some authors from the reference book. Finally, in Chapter 1, Hypothesis is the most important part of the study. It because this thesis project report writing

CHAPTER 2: LITERATURE REVIEW

In literature review, we will focus on the form of plagiarism, University Act to Colleges University, quality in higher education, academic journal, issues of plagiarism, causes of plagiarism, strategies of awareness, solution.

In the form of plagiarism, there are seven types of plagiarism. There are purchasing a paper, turning in a paper someone else has written for them, turning in another student's work without that student's knowledge, improper collaboration, copying a paper from a sources text without proper acknowledgement, copying material from a source text, supplying proper documentation but leaving out quotation marks and lastly paraphrasing material from a reading without proper documentation.

In literature review, we will also include the University Act to Colleges University. The minister of education introduces this act and the government had enacted and imposed the University and Colleges University Act 1971.

Thirdly, we will make a research regarding the quality in higher education.

This is very important in the education sector. It shows the skill and ability of an individual in carrying their responsibility in education.

The next thing is the academic journal, whereby it consists of three concepts. These three concepts are university, lecturers and students that it was the record of the academic in education. This is important for the reference of those three because they related with each other.