CHAPTER V

CONCLUSION AND SUGGESTION

A. Conclusion

Based on research conducted at SMPN 01 Merigi in the 2024/2025 academic year, researchers can draw the following conclusions:

Based on the findings and discussion in the previous chapter, it can be concluded that the Fishbone Strategy has a significant effect on students' reading comprehension, particularly in identifying main ideas. The pre-test results showed that the students in both the experimental and control classes had relatively similar reading comprehension ability before the treatment, as indicated by the independent sample t-test with a significance value higher than 0.05. This means that both groups started with equal ability. After the treatment, however, the post-test results revealed that the experimental class obtained a higher mean score (76.22) compared to the control class (56.00). The independent sample t-test confirmed that the significance value was 0.000 < 0.05, which indicates that there was a significant difference between the two groups after the treatment. Therefore, it can be concluded that the use of the Fishbone Strategy successfully improved students' reading comprehension in identifying main ideas by helping them organize information systematically, connect supporting details with the main idea, and engage more actively in the learning process.

B. Suggestion

Based on the conclusions above, the following suggestions are proposed:

- 1) For Teachers: Teachers are encouraged to integrate the Fishbone Strategy into reading comprehension activities. This strategy can help students organize information more effectively and foster active participation. Teachers may also adapt the strategy to different types of texts, such as descriptive, narrative, or expository, to maximize its benefits.
- 2) For Students: Students should practice using the Fishbone Strategy not only in classroom activities but also as a self-study tool. By applying this technique, students can develop better skills in identifying main ideas and supporting details, which will improve their overall reading comprehension ability.
- 3) For Future Researchers: Future studies are suggested to explore the use of the Fishbone Strategy with different levels of students, text genres, or larger sample sizes to obtain broader insights. Researchers may also combine the Fishbone Strategy with other cooperative learning methods to further enhance students' comprehension and engagement.