

CHAPTER IV

CONCLUSION

Based on an analysis of the film *Five Feet Apart*, the conversations between Will and Stella employ patterns of speech that mirror their personalities and relationship. In this research, the researcher employed the Jefferson Transcription System analysis and successfully analyzed six turn-taking phenomena (such as current speaker selects next, self-selection, overlap, and latching) and seven types of adjacency pairs (such as greeting–greeting, question–answer, and offer–refusal). There are 6 types of turn-taking phenomena with a total of 46 documented occurrences in the conversations. Meanwhile, 7 types of adjacency pairs were identified with a total of 22 conversation pairs formed.

The data found that Stella preferred to use the current speaker selects next technique with direct questions to control the conversation. It reflects her structured and dominant personality. Whereas, Will preferred to use self-selection, overlap, and interruption, which denotes a spontaneous, defiant, and provocative communication style. Their relationship in the film progresses clearly through these findings. Their interactions are surrounded with breaks, silence, and sarcastic remarks that mirror the tension in their relationship. This can be seen in the way they respond to each other. Stella prefers to dominate the conversation

through structured and evaluative adjacency pairs, with a high frequency of question-answer and question-evaluation patterns.

However, Will responds with sarcastic statement-agreement patterns. Nevertheless, their conversations are gradually evolving towards more cooperative patterns such as greeting-greeting, thank-acknowledgment, and sincere statement-agreement. Their transition means that even though they are dealing with their physical limitations because of their illnesses, they have managed to cultivate emotional closeness through the communication they have formed. The more normative adjacency pair patterns and more aligned turn-taking signify a turning point in their relationship. Where they were once two individuals surviving in the same space, they have now become a couple who support each other emotionally.