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The true achievement is:

When today is better than yesterday.

When the same mistakes never occur.

When happiness can be found in own sadness.

When a lesson can be figured out behind a life problem.

When one can keep going on though the light is off
and the surface is rough.

There is a miracle

There is a power on faith

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ABSTRACT

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Language as a mean or identity to be member of a society. It also is used to communicate among each other, to express many things and to deliver meanings. Therefore language cannot be separated from the meaning. The study of meaning of words, phrases, sentences is called semantic. One of the elements is ambiguity. Ambiguity is words or sentences which has more than one meaning. Since there are two kinds of ambiguities namely lexical ambiguity and structural ambiguity.

The objective of this study is to describe ambiguity found in readers' forum column in Hello English magazine. The subject of this study is Hello English magazine published in January – June 2007.

This study used descriptive design. The data were taken from the Hello English Magazine in January – June 2007. From the magazine, there were six editions. Documentation technique was used as the instrument of the study. The result of discussion shows that there were thirty ambiguous sentences which could be divided into two types, nine lexical ambiguities and twenty one structural ambiguities. According to the findings it was found that structural ambiguity was higher than lexical ambiguity.

From the analysis, the researcher recapitulated ambiguity that was found in readers' forum column of Hello English magazine. It was not as many as when the researcher compared with ambiguous language dished in poem. Moreover, the researcher stated that Hello English magazine has good reading materials in terms of conveying learning English especially for youth.

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