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CHAPTER V

CONCLUSION AND RECOMMENDATION

This chapter elaborates the conclusion of the study. Moreover, this chapter presents the

suggestions for further studies and for those who are interested in this study.

5.1 Conclusions

This study aims to investigate the representation of Muslim women in the ten hijab shampoo

advertisements, namely Wardah, Rejoice, Sunsilk, Emeron, Safi, Sariayu, Dove, Clear,

Pantene, and Lifebuoy. The study answered two research questions: How are Muslim women

represented in the ten hijab shampoo advertisements and what does the representation signify.

The representation of Muslim women in the ten hijab shampoo advertisements is investigated

through the visual elements of the advertisements such as background, color and fashions,

facial expressions, frame size, camera angle, and color saturation.

Based on the data analysis, the study concluded that visually most of Muslim women are

represented through color of fashions and the fashion style. The Muslim women's outfit were

dominated by white and green color. White signifies goodness, pureness, cleanliness, elegance,

sportive, and plain (Wilfred, 1962). Meanwhile green color signifies growth, nature, peace,

health, fresh and young (Wilfred, 1962). In the printed shampoo advertisements, white mostly

signifies pureness and cleanliness. Moreover, in the most hijab shampoo advertisements, green

represented nature, freshness, and healthiness. Through those visual elements, it means the

advertisements want to convey the messages of purity and natural through the colors.

Most of the advertisements are interpreted as an offer made by advertisement makers to

the audiences (Kress and Leeweun 2006). It can be understood from the camera angle used in

most of the hijab shampoo advertisements that have the same eye level as the audiences.

Morevoer, enjoyable emotion and surprise emotion is the dominant facial expressions used

by Muslim women in the hijab shampoo advertisements. The use of enjoyable emotions and

surprise emotion in the hijab shampoo advertisements is to show Muslim woman's happiness.

The enjoyable emotion and surprise emotion can be seen through how the Muslim women's

cheeks are being pushed up, mouth being drawn back at the corners, eyes-wide-open, eyebrows

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raise and jaw drops open (Ekman, 2003). Mostly, the hijab shampoo advertisement display

Muslim women who are smiling and showing their bright teeth.

From this study also finds that Muslim women are represented through using the close-up

shot and medium close-up shot as the dominant frame size in the hijab shampoo

advertisements. The close-up shot which shows their heads and shoulders. While medium close

up shot shows their head ad waist.

Concerning the camera angle, Muslim women are represented by using an eye-level

camera angle. In the hijab shampoo advertisement, it finds that there is no indicated power

difference between represented participants and the audiences, it is because two of them are at

eye level (Kress and Leeweun, 2006). In addition, according to Selby and Coedery (1995), the

meaning of an eye-level is also indicates similarity and equality.

Meanwhile, black and white also bright color become the dominant color saturation in this

study. The color saturation of black and white signifies actualism, realism, and factual (Selby

and Coedery, 1995).

5.2 Recommendation

Based on the conclusion of this study, there are some suggestions proposed for further studies.

For the next studies, the researcher should explore and try other representation of Muslim

women in different contexts other than cosmetics or toiletries product. They can compare the

findings of how Muslim women are portrayed in the cosmetics and toiletries product. Also,

they can find the representation of Muslim women in another context besides advertisements

such as films, news, and song lyrics. Moreover, for the next studies, researchers should also

reveal the ideologies behind other representations besides the representation of Muslim

women.