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### **ABSTRACT**

One of the mandated basic competencies for vocational high school is to write analytical exposition text. It has been observed that many students with disadvantaged background have difficulties in coping with the competencies due to limited access to linguistic and academic resources. These disadvantaged students are less prepared to write academically valued texts. Rapid growth of research about Reading to Learn and scaffolding in international contexts show promising results that this approach could accelerate disadvantaged students' literacy development. This study is aimed at figuring out how the implementation of R2L can scaffold the mandated basic competencies for disadvantaged students and how they improve students' writing competency. The data were gained from six focal students at a vocational high school through qualitative case study design. The analysis shows that *Reading to Learn* in the context of this study shows its affordability in scaffolding the teaching of writing analytical exposition text on macro and micro skills and improved students competency depicted from the 14 R2L's descriptors. The analysis shows some challenges and opportunities for future research direction in Indonesian contexts.

**Keywords:** R2L, scaffolding, analytical exposition text, disadvantaged students.

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