Chapter 5

Conclusion and Suggestion

5.1 Introduction
This chapter is divided into two sections. Section 5.1 provides the conclusions of the present research on the basis of the formulated research questions in Chapter One. Section 5.2 presents some suggestions for further research.

5.2 Conclusion
The present study is carried out to investigate the modality in the discourse of football manager 2007 (FM'07) game texts. The data is collected from the news screen within the game. The study examines (1) the types of modality used in the text and the social relation between characters.

With regard to the first research question, it is found that the category of probability is expressed three times by the chairman and 42 times by the physiotherapist. The category of usuality is expressed three times only by the chairman. The category of obligation is expressed five times only by the chairman. Finally, the category of inclination is expressed 14 times only by the chairman.

The second research question is inquiring the social relation between the characters in the game. It is evidenced that the use of certain modality types and values implies unequal social relation. The physiotherapist only uses category of probability in medium value, indicating his status which is lower than that of the
chairman and the manager. The chairman only uses one low value modality, the rest are modality of medium and high value. This implies that the chairman has higher social status than the manager and the physiotherapist.

The occurrences of all four types of modality with the values attached within them by the chairman signify the chairman has the ability to state and modalize his opinion by the use of probability and usuality. The chairman also in a position that is able to request others characters to perform some actions through the use of obligation. Furthermore, the occurrences of inclination expressed in the chairman’s utterances indicate the chairman’s social status as the character that has the ability to perform some action for other’s characters. The limited use of type of modality within the physiotherapist initiates the physiotherapist is placed as the characters that only able to give opinion. It can further be said that there is a hierarchy in the world including in a relatively egalitarian society such as Western world. We are expected to behave accordingly.

5.3 Suggestion

The present study examines the discourse of the news screen in the football manager 2007 (FM’07) game texts. Further research may include other screens which also contain text. Finally, this study only examines the use of modality of Functional Grammar. However, it will be more challenging if further studies include other aspects of Mood elements, e.g. Subject and Polarity and Residue elements. Yet, the FM’07 game texts are still manageable to be investigated in the view of clause as message and clause as representation.