# COMPARATIVE STUDY OF REGULAR TEACHERS' SPECIAL EDUCATION PEDAGOGY COMPETENCE LEVEL IN ELEMENTARY AND SENIOR HIGH INCLUSIVE SCHOOL

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**Abstract:** Comparative Study of Regular Teachers' Special Education Pedagogy Competence Level in Inclusive School Elementary and Senior High School Level. In general, this research aims to determine regular teachers' special education pedagogy competence level in the level of elementary and senior high inclusive school. Subject in this research was 38 regular teachers in elementary inclusive school and 45 regular teachers in senior high inclusive school. Data was collected through questionnaire. Data was analyzed by using normality test, homogeneity test, and t-independent test. Result of this research showed that data from both variables was normal, homogeny, and the average score of regular teachers' pedagogy competence in elementary school is 61.5 while the average score of regular teachers' pedagogy competence is 48.78. It can be concluded that regular teachers' special education pedagogy competence level in elementary school is higher than in senior high school.

Keywords: Pedagogy Competence, Regular School, Inclusive School

Inclusive education according to Government Regulation no. 70 year 2009 article 1 states that "Inclusive education is education system giving chance for all students with special needs and intelligence potential and/or special gifts to have education or lesson in education setting together with regular students." The implementation of inclusive education in Indonesia refers to the regulation above where children with special needs in inclusive school have education service appropriate with their needs.

Development of inclusive school in Indonesia is increasing as reported by Sunardi (2009) that presents data of the amount of inclusive school as follows.

Year	Amount of In-	Amount of Students
	clusive School	with Special Needs
2004	467	2,573
2005	504	6,000
2006	600	9,492
2007	796	15,181

The increasing amount of inclusive education school is not comparable with the development of service for students with special needs in inclusive school. There are some problems in the implementation of education service in inclusive school. One of the problems is teachers' condition in inclusive school as mentioned by Yusuf (2016) as follows.

It is not supported with sufficient teachers' quality yet. Class teachers are seen as not sensitive

and proactive yet to students with special needs. The presence of special teacher. It is not supported with clear regulation about role, duty, and responsibility of each teacher yet. In doing education tasks, there is no regular discussion yet, no collaboration model as guidance, and no sufficient budget support.

The ideal inclusive school should have special education teachers with special education competence. However, fact in the filed shows that not all inclusive school has special education teachers. Gunarhadi (2012) finds out that 80% inclusive school in elementary school have no special education teachers yet. Another research conducted by Sunardi, Munawir, Gunarhadi, and Priyono (2010) also mentions that there are only 3 teachers worked as teacher's assistance in inclusive school. It makes students with special needs in inclusive school are handled by class teacher or subject teacher.

Regular teachers in inclusive school should own special competence in giving education service for students with special needs. According to Mulyasa (2012), competence is combination from knowledge, skill, value, and behavior reflected in thinking and acting behavior. Based on Regulation Number 14 Year 2005 about Teachers and Lecturers in article 10 paragraph 1, there are four competences should owned by a teacher, namely pedagogy competence, personality competence, social competence, and professional competence obtained from profession training. In this research, it will compare regular teachers' special education pedagogy competence level in the level of elementary and senior high inclusive school. Pedagogy competence is teachers' ability to students, designing, and teaching-learning process, learning evaluation, and students' development to actualize any kinds of potential they have (Suyanto and Jihad, 2013). Meanwhile, special education pedagogy competence is pedagogy competence should owned by a teacher in the field of special education to rise potential of students with special needs up and to serve education sufficient with their portion.

This research compares regular teachers' special education pedagogy competence level in the level of elementary and senior high inclusive school and its results will be used to group special education pedagogy competence difference among each education level.

This research used comparative method. In

this method, the data are compared and drawn into

new conclusion. The word comparative itself is built

from word 'compare'. It means compare to find out

**METHOD** 

comparison from two concepts or more. According to Nazir (2005: 58), comparative research is a descriptive research used to determine basic answer of cause-effect, by analyzing causing factors of particular phenomenon.

Subject used in this research is 38 regular teachers of elementary school (Boyolali Regency, Surakarta city, and Karanganyar Regency) and 45 regular teachers of senior high school (Klaten Regency, Surakarta City, and Sukoharjo Regency). Data is collected through questionnaire of teachers' special education pedagogy competence level measurement by Gunarhadi et al. (2015). The measurement used is Cronbach Alpha reliability measurement with reliability level is 0.19. Data was then analyzed by using SPSS 20 through normality test, homogeneity test, and T-independent test.

# FINDINGS AND DISCUSSION

#### Finding

Measurement result of regular teachers' special education pedagogy competence level in inclusive school is as follows.

Subject	Score	Subject	Score	Subject	Score	Subject	Score
1	70	11	73	21	56	31	46
2	74	12	59	22	70	32	55
3	64	13	44	23	54	33	61
4	88	14	79	24	71	34	50
5	56	15	42	25	69	35	61
6	58	16	52	26	69	36	59
7	58	17	54	27	69	37	74
8	48	18	40	28	71	38	85
9	71	19	40	29	77		
10	73	20	44	30	53		

Table 1. Regular teachers' special education pedagogy competence level in elementary inclusive school

Table 2 Regular teachers' special education pedagogy competence level in senior high inclusive school

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Subject	Score	Subject	Score	Subject	Score	Subject	Score
1	44	13	29	25	73	37	42
2	50	14	54	26	71	38	66
3	59	15	67	27	59	39	73
4	63	16	39	28	49	40	35
5	51	17	63	29	32	41	44
6	46	18	47	30	53	42	46
7	61	19	31	31	45	43	49
8	32	20	42	32	44	44	37
9	54	21	30	33	57	45	68
10	54	22	45	34	33		
11	38	23	51	35	29		
12	59	24	48	36	33		

One-Sample Kolmogorov-Smirnov Test						
		Elementary	Senior High			
N		38	45			
Normal	Mean	61,50	48,78			
Parameters <sup>a,b</sup>	Std. De- viation	12,580	12,588			
Most Extreme	Absolute	,146	,073			
Differences	Positive	,079	,073			
	Negative	-,146	-,058			
Kolmogorov-Si	mirnov Z	,897	,488			
Asymp. Sig. (2-	tailed)	,397	,971			

**Normality Test** 

a. Test distribution is Normal.

b. Calculated from data.

## **T-Test**

Based on the result of normality test by using Kolmogorov Smirnov test, it is obtained that Sig. data of elementary school is 0.397 (0.397 > 0.05). It means that sample data of elementary school is distributed normally. Also for the value of Sig of senior high school is 0.971 (0.971 > 0.05) it means that sample data of senior high school is distributed normally.

## **Homogeneity Test**

Test of Homogeneity of Variances							
Score							
Levene Statistic	df1	df2	Sig.				
,052	1	81	,821				

From table above, it shows that significance value is 0.821. Because p-value is 0.821 > 0.05, then, data was taken from homogeny sample.

				Inde	ependent San	nples Test				
	Г	Levene's Test for Equality of Vari- ances			t-test for Equality of Means					
	F		t	df	Sig. (2-tailed)	Mean Differ- ence	Std. Error Differ- ence	95% Co the Diffe Lower	nfidence In erence Upper	terval of
Score	Equal variances assumed	,052	,821	-4,589	81	,000	-12,722	2,772	-18,239	-7,206
score	Equal vari- ances not assumed			-4,589	78,704	,000	-12,722	2,772	-18,241	-7,204

Based on table above, it is obtained sig (2-tailed) value is 0.000 < 0.005. According to decision making basis in Independent Sample T-Test, it can be concluded that there is difference between average score of regular teachers' special education pedagogy competence level in the level of elementary school and senior high school.

Group Statistics									
	Group	Ν	Mean	Std. De- viation	Std. Error Mean				
Score	SD	38	61,50	12,580	2,041				
	SMA	45	48,78	12,588	1,876				

Based on table above, it show that average score of regular teachers' special education pedagogy competence level in the level of elementary school is 61.50 and the average score of regular teachers' special education pedagogy competence level in the level of senior high school is 48.78. Based on the data, it can be presented in the form of diagram as follows.

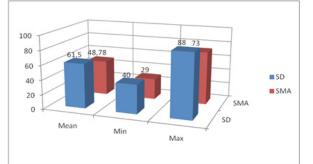


Figure 1. Regular teachers' special education pedagogy competence level in the level of elementary and senior high school

#### Discussion

Average score of regular teachers' special education pedagogy competence level in the level of elementary school is 61.50 (good) and the average score of regular teachers' special education pedagogy competence level in the level of senior high school is 48.78 (fair). This result is in line with research conducted by Gunarhadi, Sunardi, Andayani, and Anwar (2016) about regular teachers' comprehension about special education in elementary inclusive school. Result of the research is 16% is in low level, 64% is in moderate level, and 20% is in high level. Meanwhile, research conducted by Martika, Salim, and Munawir (2016) about teachers' pedagogy competence in senior high inclusive school states that 27% is in very low level, 44% is in low level, 22% is in fairly level, 7% is in good, and 0% is in very good.

Bukvic, Z (2014) observes about teachers' competence in inclusive school. The result states that 70% teachers do not have or limited knowledge about teaching students with special needs, and most of their attitudes are negative. However, teachers with positive attitude to inclusive education prefer not to teach students with special needs.

It is a fact that regular teachers' special education pedagogy competence level in elementary and senior high inclusive school has significant difference. It is because some factors stated by Gunarhadi et al (2016),

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that there are should at least two reasons to discuss why teachers have low comprehension about special education. First, those teachers do not have special educationqualification. For them, inclusive education is new trends. Children with special needs are beyond their experience that they've never imagined before. Second, people with special education qualification do not act as class teacher in inclusive school. Therefore, they do not have fully responsible of education service especially for children with special needs in their school (Sunardi et al, 2010). Another reason is that in inclusive school, teachers have little chance to participate in training in the field of special education.

#### **CONCLUSION AND SUGGESTION**

Conclusion of this research is that average score of regular teachers' special education pedagogy competence in elementary school is higher than in senior high school.

School should plan training program to increase special education pedagogy competence level for regular teachers in inclusive school. Inclusive school having special education teacher can be information source in special education pedagogy competence comprehension for regular teachers. It needs to be created peer teaching for regular teachers so that they can share their problems faced in inclusive school.

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