



## Types of Slang Words in The Song Lyrics by Cardi B in The Invasion of Privacy Album

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### Abstract

This study analyzed the types of the slang words found in *The Song Lyrics of Cardi B in The Invasion of Privacy Album*. This study used qualitative method to identify the data finding descriptively based on the theory proposed by Patridge (2004) used to find out types of the slang. The data analysis was presented through formal and informal method. The result is three types of slang words found in this song lyric by Cardi B in The Invasion of Privacy Album, namely society slang, slang in art, slang in medicine.

**Keywords:** slang words, types of slang words, Invasion of Privacy Album

### Abstrak

Penelitian ini menganalisis jenis kata slang yang terdapat dalam Lirik Lagu Cardi B dalam Album Invasi Privasi. Penelitian ini menggunakan metode kualitatif untuk mengidentifikasi temuan data secara deskriptif berdasarkan teori yang dikemukakan oleh Patridge (2004) yang digunakan untuk mengetahui jenis-jenis slang. Analisis data disajikan melalui metode formal dan informal. Hasilnya adalah tiga jenis kata gaul yang ditemukan dalam lirik lagu ini oleh Cardi B dalam Album Invasi Privasi, yaitu bahasa gaul masyarakat, bahasa gaul dalam seni, bahasa gaul dalam kedokteran.

**Kata kunci:** kata gaul, tipe kata gaul, *Invasion of Privacy Album*

### Introduction

Language is the main communication tool in human life. Through language, humans can communicate and convey the things they want to convey. Convey their goals in the form of short stories, novels, poetry, including song lyrics. This form of writing is called literary work.

According to Chapman (2007), slang is the non-linguistic sort of language and that it mostly ignores the main aim of a language. The slang language itself is designed to be more casual and informal to make the conversation go better. Teenagers or people in a

certain group or community are the ones who are mostly responsible for the occurrence of slang words. Slang words spread into worldwide due to many factors. Usually, people learn slang words from entertainment media such as novel, movie, and song lyrics especially rap song.

Rap song is one of the media besides movie or novel that gives a lot of impact on spreading slang words worldwide. In song lyrics, especially rap song the writer usually used slang words to make their song more attractive. One of the rapper used many slang words in her lyrics is Cardi B. Sometimes the slang words are difficult to understand and it would be hard for the listeners to follow the meaning of the slang in the song lyrics. This song lyric were analyzed in order to understand the type of slang words.

The researchers would like to present five researches from the previous study that were analyze similar things in terms of types of the slang words. The first study was done by Ida Ayu Putu Sintya Budiari (2015) with entitled *The Analysis of Slang Used in Song Lyric "Love Me" By Eminem*. The aims of this study are to describe the types of slang words used in the song lyric Love Me By Eminem. The theory that she used is proposed by Chapman (1988:31). The second study written by Putri Wulandari and Havid Ardi (2012) entitled *The Types of Slang Words in The Lyrics of "Jigsaw" Album By Lady Sovereign*. This study analyzed the types and the of the slang words in the lyrics Jigsaw Album By Lady Sovereign. This study using theory that proposed by Yule (1985) and Leech to answer the problems that was mention above. The third study is entitled *An Analysis of Slang Words Used in Black Panther Movie* by Bob Krisdianka, Fakhri Ras, and Syarfi (2019). To find the types and meaning which are the aims of this study. Theory that proposed by Patridge (2004) and Leech (1981) was used to analyzed the data. Fourth, research by Ratna Pertiwi Sari (2010) with entitled *An Analysis of Slang Language Types in "Rush Hour 2 Movie"*. The aims of this study were to find and analyze the type of slang words in Rush Hour 2 Movie. The theory proposed by Patridge (2004) was used in this study to analyzed the data. The Fifth study is entitled *Study of Slang Word in "Ride Along" Movie* that written by Adrianto Aris S (2015). The aims of her study are to find the types of slang, to explain the function of slang, and to understand the effect of slang used in Ride Along Movie. This study used theory proposed by Patridge (2004), Sumarsono (2007), and Yachun and Yanhong (2013).

In this study was emphasized the types of the slang words. The data source of this study is song lyrics By Cardi B in *The Invasion of Privacy Album*. In analysing the types of the slang words the theory applied is proposed Patridge (2004) in analysing the types of slang words. According to Patridge (2004) there are twenty five types of slang words. But, but in this study only analyze three types of the slang words, there are society slang, slang in art, and the last medicine slang.

As an example, in the lyrics of the song entitled "Bodak Yellow" there is a line says "You a goofy, you a **opp**". The word "opp" can be classified as a slang word. The word "opp" means opposition. So, the whole sentence of the line means the opposition or haters are just goofy. The slang word is classified as *slang in art* because this word formed quickly adopted by society. From other slang words, slang in art is very rarely used and the meaning is difficult to guess.

## Method

In conducting this study, the data was taken from The Song Lyrics By Cardi B in *The Invasion of Privacy Album*. The Song Lyrics By Cardi B in *The Invasion of Privacy Album* is used as the data source because this song lyrics provides many slang words that support as the data source of this study. The data were collected by using library and note taking techniques. There are several steps in collecting the data in this study as follows:

- a. Listening the song lyrics.
- b. Reading the song lyrics intensively and repeatedly.
- c. Note taking the slang words that was found.
- d. Classifying the data based on the types of slang words.

In this study, the data were analysed by using qualitative method and presented descriptively. The method that applied in presenting the result of the analysis was used formal and informal method based on the theory proposed by Sudaryanto (1993). The formal method is presented by the table to show the types of slang words and identifying the meaning of slang words. The informal method presented descriptively and comprehensively to make the readers understand easily.

## Result and Discussion

The finding shows that there three types of slang words that used in The Song Lyrics By Cardi B in *The Invasion of Privacy Album*, they are society slang, slang in art, and the last medicine slang. It can be seen the table below.

### 3.1 Table of Slang Words Found in *The Song Lyrics By Cardi B in The invasion of Privacy Album*.

| No. | Type of Slang Words | Examples of the Slang Words | Meanings of The Slang Words  |
|-----|---------------------|-----------------------------|--|
| 1.  | Society Slang       | 1. Rookie                   | 1. Related for someone who is new at something.                                |
|     |                     | 2. Thot                     | 2. Related to a woman considered to be sexually a slut or whore.               |
|     |                     | 3. Hoes                     | 3. Uncool person, jerk, asshole, a whore.                                      |
|     |                     | 4. Poppin'                  | 4. Awesome, popular, fresh.  |
|     |                     | 5. Gimme                    | 5. Gimme synonym of "give me".   |
|     |                     | 6. Boo                      | 6. As a term of endearment for a boyfriend or girlfriend.                      |
|     |                     | 7. Babe                     | 7. Baby or an infant, Informal Sweetheart; dear. Used as a term of endearment. |

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|----|----------------|---------------------------|--|
| 2. | Slang in Art   | 1. Bangers                | 1. A term for fans of hip hop and punk songs when they enjoy the song and do the head bang move.   |
|    |                | 2. Punk-ass man           | 2. Obnoxious man, stupid or otherwise unworthy of respect.   |
|    |                | 3. Gotta                  | 3. Gotta is 'got to' when they are pronounced informally, with the meaning 'have to' or 'must'.  |
|    |                | 4. Outta                  | 4. Outta is 'out of' when they are pronounced informally.  |
|    |                | 5. Vac-seal               | 5. Vacuum seal.  |
|    |                | 6. Knick-knack paddywhack | 6. A way of saying that even the police aren't safe, and if the mob has a hit out on someone, there's nothing anyone can do to stop it from happening. |
|    |                | 7. Prolly                 | 7. Probably.   |
| 3. | Medicine Slang | 1. Ass                    | 1. Buttocks.   |

Table 3.1 above occur to present the finding about types of the slang words in the Song Lyrics By Cardi B in *The Invasion of Privacy Album*. Three types of slang words are explained in the following sentence. Only nine selected examples are presented in the discussion.

### 3.1 Society Slang

According to Patridge (2004:256) “In society and in all close corporations, group, and sections of society slang relates to the spirit of the universe, the world, life, and in general, usually the preoccupation of the subconscious, it also hovers, gleefully or cheerfully or jaundiced, over the object and practice of the call of slangster itself where slang rarely retains respect for the listener”. Society slang is commonly used to connect to the sections of society; jargon tends to develop in proportion to the degree of its own exclusiveness.

Data 1 :

Won MVP, and I'm still a **rookie**, like woo

(Drip Song lyric, Line: 35)

The sentence above shows the slang word are found in the song lyrics By Cardi B in *The Invasion of Privacy Album*. The word **rookie** is categorized as society slang because it reflects the relationship to Patridge (2004) theory. Patridge argue society slang is closely related to society where a vocabulary called slang word itself arises and develops among groups of people. In which they make the words themselves and only

they also understand the meaning of the slang word. This word classified as society slang based on the where this slang is used, this slang appear and used around the society group and the slang word **rookie** is Related for someone who is new at something. So, the whole meaning of this line in the *Drip* song lyrics is when Cardi B won the MVP award she was new at this nomination, but she can prove she can do it.

Data 2 :

**Gimme** some neck, **gimme** a check

(Bickenhead Song Lyric, Line: 50)

The sentence above consists of slang word **gimme**. This slang was classified as society slang. Based on the theory by Patridge (2004) about types of slang words, in his book entitled *Slang To-Day and Yesterday* he argue “In society and in all close corporations, group, and sections of society slang relates to the spirit of the universe, the world, life, and in general, usually the preoccupation of the subconscious, it also hovers, gleefully or cheerfully or jaundiced, over the object and practice of the call of slangster itself where slang rarely retains respect for the listener”. It means Society slang is commonly used to connect to the sections of society; jargon tends to develop in proportion to the degree of its own exclusiveness. This word classified as society slang because the word **gimme** commonly used in daily speaking and connected to society. Society is a term of vocabulary that generally shows life. When the word **gimme** is synonym of “give me”. So, the whole meaning of the line of *Bickenhead* song lyric is when Cardi B has achieved her success she takes everything away including those who hated her, when she said Carrdi B was a prostitute and now she proves that she lives by her work not selling self-respect. So, Cardi wanted to check the necks of those who said she was a prostitute first for a red mark which means that the person who accused her was now a prostitute.

Data 3 :

I might just feel on your **babe**

(Bodak Yellow Song Lyric, Line: 39)

Based on sentence above can be seen the word **babe** as society slang. Every social group used some type of slang word and by association, those words and grammar as a property of that group, something that defines them in a certain way. In modern life, slang has become so much defining trait of so many groups that is impossible to ignore the impact it has had on western society. Slang is a part of communication from another one. Based on the theory by Patridge (2004) about types of slang words, in his book entitled *Slang To-Day and Yesterday* he argue “In society and in all close corporations, group, and sections of society slang relates to the spirit of the universe, the world, life, and in general, usually the preoccupation of the subconscious, it also hovers, gleefully or cheerfully or jaundiced, over the object and practice of the call of slangster itself where slang rarely retains respect for the listener”. It means Society slang is commonly used to connect to the sections of society; jargon tends to develop in proportion to the degree of

its own exclusiveness. This word classified as society slang because this word basically appear and formed around the society this word is very famous in young people and the meaning of this slang is Baby or an infant, Informal Sweetheart; dear. Used as a term of endearment. When people called their girlfriend of boyfriend to make it sound sweeter, they usually use the nickname babe, which means baby or sweetheart. This word is very widely used and many people already know the meaning of this slang word. Because this slang word appear and develop among the wider community in the world. And for the whole meaning of the line of *Bodak Yellow* song lyric is Cardi B revealed that at this point in time she could even grab someone else's boyfriend with his current popularity that he could get whatever she wanted.

Data 4 :

I might just chill with your **boo**

(Bodak Yellow Song Lyric, Line: 38)

Based on above sentence can be seen as society slang. The word **boo** was classified as society slang. According to Patridge (2004) about types of slang words, in his book entitled *Slang To-Day and Yesterday* he argue “In society and in all close corporations, group, and sections of society slang relates to the spirit of the universe, the world, life, and in general, usually the preoccupation of the subconscious, it also hovers, gleefully or cheerfully or jaundiced, over the object and practice of the call of slangster itself where slang rarely retains respect for the listener”. This word classified as society slang because this word used among the society to make they easier to said based on the meaning the word **boo** means As a term of endearment for a boyfriend or girlfriend. Same as the slang word **babe** Used as a term of endearment. When people called their girlfriend of boyfriend to make it sound sweeter, they usually use the nickname babe, which means baby or sweetheart. When people said “He is my boo” that means He is her boyfried this word used in socializing among teenagers so that they look hip and modern. As we know, social group used some type of slang word and by association, those words and grammar as a property of that group, something that defines them in a certain way. In modern life, slang has become so much defining trait of so many groups that is impossible to ignore the impact it has had on western society. Where the whole meaning of the line “I might just chill with your **boo**” in the *Bodak Yellow* song lyric is without realizing it in Cardi B, she might steal other people's boyfriends that she wants. Because she is now rich, popular and sexy. Any man she will definitely get even if it's someone else's boyfriend.

Data 5:

Bitch you a **thot**, ain't trickin'

(Drip Song Lyric, Line: 52)

The sentence above shows the slang word are found in the song lyrics By Cardi B in *The Invasion of Privacy Album*. As we know every social group used some type of slang word and by association, those words and grammar as a property of that group, something that defines them in a certain way. In modern life, slang has become so much defining trait of so many groups that is impossible to ignore the impact it has had on western society. Slang is a part of communication from another one. According to Patridge (2004) “In

society and in all close corporations, group, and sections of society slang relates to the spirit of the universe, the world, life, and in general, usually the preoccupation of the subconscious, it also hovers, gleefully or cheerfully or jaundiced, over the object and practice of the call of slangster itself where slang rarely retains respect for the listener". Society slang is commonly used to connect to the sections of society, jargon tends to develop in proportion to the degree of its own exclusiveness. This word classified as society slang because this word basically used around the society. Slang terms like this word appear as informal language where the usage is used according to where the person is. As in the lyrics of this song where we know the rapper's song does use a lot of slang words to describe feelings in the song lyrics. Where the word **thot**, which has a rude and indecent meaning, is related to a woman considered to be sexually a slut or whore. So, the whole meaning of the line "Bitch you a **thot**, ain't trickin" in the *Drip* song lyric is they were Cardi B haters now like prostitutes who made money selling themselves.

### 3.2 Slang in Art

According to Patridge (2004:256) slang in art emerges in the seventeenth century and is quickly adopted by society. From other slang words, slang in art is very rarely used and the meaning is difficult to guess.

Data 6 :

Said "I was just tryna chill and make **bangers**"

(Get Up 10 Song Lyric, Line: 29)

Based on above sentence can be seen as slang in art. The word **bangers** was classified as slang in art based on the theory by Patridge (2004) in his book entitled *Slang To-Day and Yesterday*. In his book he argues "slang in art emerges in the seventeenth century and is quickly adopted by society. From other slang words, slang in art is very rarely used and the meaning is difficult to guess". That means this word is classified as slang in art because this word is made in an artistic environment which contains elements of art. Where the word **bangers** mean a term for fans of hip hop and punk songs when they enjoy the song and do the head bang move. Artists like music make this slang word for their fans when they enjoy the songs they sing, as Patridge said in his book, this type of slang is very difficult to predict and only understood by the arts. And the whole meaning of the line "Said "I was just tryna chill and make **bangers**" in the *Get Up 10* song lyric is when Cardi B sings her song on stage she wants the people or her fans to relax and enjoy the song while making head movements up and down which means someone is really enjoying a piece of music or a song they are listening to.

Data 7 :

Bags, can you smell it when I **Vac-seal** it?

(Drip Song Lyric, Line:93)

The sentence above consists of slang word **vac-seal**. This slang word was classified as slang in art based on the theory by Patridge (2004) in his book entitled *Slang*

*To-Day and Yesterday* In his book he argues “slang in art emerges in the seventeenth century and is quickly adopted by society. From other slang words, slang in art is very rarely used and the meaning is difficult to guess”. The slang word **vac-seal** classified as slang in art because this slang word appears to carry artistic value where the true meaning of this word is vacuum seal. Communities who have the soul of art abbreviate or make **vac-seal** slang words so that they can easily pronounce the word. And as Patridge says in his book, this type of slang is very hard to tell what it means. At first glance the word **vac-seal** has no meaning but in fact in slang this word has a meaning and only certain groups know its meaning. In the world of art, especially music, this slang word is very rarely used because it is difficult to interpret, but in the lyrics of this song, this unique slang term or word is found. While the meaning of the whole line “Bags, can you smell it when I **Vac-seal** it?” in the *Drip* song lyric is when Cardi used her expensive bag she couldn't even see and even smell what was in her bag because the bag had been vacuum sealed tightly.

Data 8:

I don't want your **punk-ass man**, I'm too tough

(Get Up Song Lyric, Line: 36)

The sentence above consists of slang word **punk-ass man**. This word was classified as slang in art. Based on the theory by Patridge (2004) in his book entitled *Slang To-Day and Yesterday* In his book he argues “slang in art emerges in the seventeenth century and is quickly adopted by society. From other slang words, slang in art is very rarely used and the meaning is difficult to guess”. The word **punk-ass man** classified as slang in art because this word is made on the basis of art in making new vocabulary. Where the word **punk-ass man** itself has meaning obnoxious man, stupid or otherwise unworthy of respect person. For the whole meaning of the line “I don't want your **punk-ass man**, I'm too tough” in the *Get Up* song lyric is Cardi revealed that she now had a lot of money and was popular. She can get whatever she wants even she can choose which guy she wants to hook up with. Unlike her haters who have useless boyfriends, it is difficult for her to even imagine she will get a boyfriend or partner like that.

### 3.3 Medicine Slang

According to Patridge (2004:256) Medicine slang is the slang used for the tendency of medical men to clothe their actions, words, and prescriptions in mystery have been so delightfully satirized.

Data 9:

I don't care if we get into it and I stall on your **ass**

(Ring Song Lyric, Line: 17)



Based on above sentence can be seen as medicine slang. This word was classified as medicine slang based on the theory by Patridge (2004) in his book he argues “medicine slang is the slang used for the tendency of medical men to clothe their actions, words, and prescriptions in mystery have been so delightfully satirized” this word was classified as medicine slang because in medical terms this slang word is used to disguise the name of a human limb to make it sound more subtle. Where the word *ass* means buttock. They use this slang word in the environment and among themselves when they want to say their butt refers to *ass*. And now this slang word is not only used in medical terms, it is evident from the use of this word in the lyrics of this rap song. And for the whole meaning of the line “I don't care if we get into it and I stall on your **ass**” in the *Ring* song lyric is In this line Cardi, that he could be destructive crimes which as we know Cardi has a lot of money even her butt is operated to look big and sexy.

## Conclusion

This study analyzed the types slang words found in the song lyrics By Cardi B in *In The invasion of Privacy Album*. And for the data was analyze based on the theory types of the slang word by Patridge (2004) in his book entitled *Slang To-Day and Yesterday*. There are eleven types of slang words. But, in this study only three types of the slang words are found. There are three types of slang word and the examples on each type that were found, namely society slang for the examples of the words: rookie, babe, boo, etc. The second type is slang in art for the examples of the words: Bangers, vac-seal, punk-ass man, etc. The third type is medicine slang for the example of the word: ass. And this data was analyze based on the theory types of the slang word by Patridge (2004) in his book entitled *Slang To-Day and Yesterday*.

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