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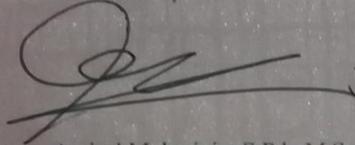
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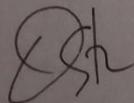
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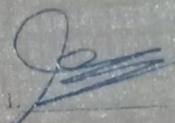
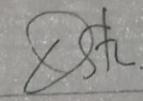
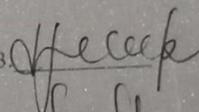
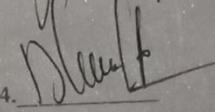
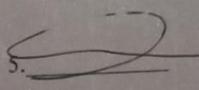
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(Unknown)

“Life begins at the end of your comfort zone”

(The researcher)

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The purpose of this survey method research is to discover the type of the students' interest and the factors that influence the students' interest during learning English. A questionnaire was used as the instrument to 79 second graders at *SMP Negeri 8 Kota Jambi* from random classes. The result of the distributed questionnaire was computed and described into a presentation and diagram total score descriptively. The finding of this research revealed that 30 students as 37.53 % population the students' interest was categorized into *Medium* which internal factors dominated the students' interest. It is found that joy, psychology and attention are the dominant factors that influence the students' interest. Which is in the internal factors, the interest is influenced from the inside. Based on this research the students are indicated have lack of enjoyment during the class. While the teachers' methodologies and activities also were indicated as the dominant factors of external factors.

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