

CHAPTER III

OVERVIEW OF ENGLISH TEXTBOOKS

A. Profile of English Textbooks

Pathway to English is a book based on curriculum 2013 written by Sudarwati and Grace.¹ This book integrates four skills; speaking, reading, writing, listening which eventually help students to develop their discourse competence. It is divided into eleven units. It is also completed by some expressions, grammar in action, genre of the text, and cultural awareness.

Whereas, *English Zone* is a book based on KTSP written by Astuti.² It also serves four integrating skills. It is completed by writing exercises, grammar focus, collocation note, and cross cultural understanding. What makes the book even more special is the use of Indonesian context and stories which will make students more familiar with their culture and hopefully love their country more. This book is divided into six units, each of which contains two or three lessons.

Both of them are English textbooks for tenth grade of Senior High School. Some schools still use *English Zone* as their textbook in teaching learning process. But, some of them replace it by using *Pathway to English* because they applied curriculum 2013. For instance, Madrasah Aliyah Raudlatul Ulum,

¹ Th. M. Sudarwati and Eudia Grace, *Pathway to English*, (Jakarta:Erlangga.2013).

² EkaMulyaAstuti, *English Zone*, (Jakarta:Erlangga, 2006)

Guyangan-Trangkil-Pati in the academic year of 2015/2016 used *Pathway to English* and *English Zone* as a comparison in teaching learning process.

B. Biography of the Authors

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She is head of Malang Testing Center. She started her career in PT International Test Center, Educational Testing Service Country Master Distributor in 2005 as an Associate Manager. She is an experienced English teacher and trainer who started teaching in 1992. She is developing English for Specific Purposes, especially Medical English for doctors at RSSA – Brawijaya University Malang. She started writing as a hobby and now is currently writing English books for high school students in Indonesia as well as a history-based novel written in Indonesian.

2. Th M. Sudarwati and Eudia Grace

Both of them gave good contribution in Education. They are the writer of English book. There were many books have written by them. They try to facilitate students by writing many books, entitled *English Zone*, *Look Ahead I*, *II*, *III*.