

ABSTRACT

Men's Perceptions of Stories by Female Survivors of Violence in Articles (A Qualitative Study of Features as a Safe Space for Women to Speak on the Website perempuanberkisah.id)

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This study aims to describe adult men's perceptions of feature articles as a safe space for women survivors of gender-based violence to share their stories on the perempuanberkisah.id website. This research is important because men are the most dominant perpetrators of violence against women, according to Komnas Perempuan's CATAHU 2023 report. This research is also interesting because its features are presented through story narratives. This research uses a qualitative approach with a constructivist paradigm. The analytical framework refers to the concepts of safe space, empathetic journalism, perception, gender-based violence, and men as media audiences. Data was collected through interviews with six male participants aged 26-33 who living in urban areas. The findings of this study reveal several important points. First, feature articles are perceived as expressions of empathy and solidarity that raise awareness about violence against women. Second, anonymity and a careful narrative style were perceived to contribute to a sense of safety and ethical communication. Third, the features were perceived as supporting survivors' emotional recovery processes. Fourth, the narratives help build social awareness and encourage supportive attitudes towards victims. Fifth, informants believed that men have a responsibility in creating safe spaces, both personally and socially. Future research can explore the readability of feature articles on perempuanberkisah.id using methods such as flesch's readability formula and the cloze procedure.

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