

ABSTRACT**A Fantasy Theme Analysis: A Study of a Thai Protest Discourse**

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This paper investigates a discourse at the protest against former Prime Minister General Chavalit Yongchaiyudh by exploring the rhetorical vision, and thematic components the protest speakers employed to demand the prime minister's resignation. The unit of analysis is a transcription of the protest discourse. A fantasy theme analysis is used to analyze and reconstruct the discourse's rhetorical vision and thematic components. The findings reveal that the rhetorical vision of the protest community is "Big Jew... get out" which was inductively reconstructed from three fantasy chains: (1) the prime minister's unreliable administration (2) the prime minister's disastrous economic administration, and (3) corruption, which in turn were reconstructed from eleven fantasy themes.