ABSTRACT

The study aimed to determine the effect of text messaging on the spelling skills of grade 6 pupils

of Dulangan Elementary School during the school year 2023-2024. More specifically, it was

conducted to find the level of text messaging of pupils, their level of spelling skills and the

significant relationship between text messaging and spelling skills. The respondents of the study

were the 138 grade 6 pupils of Dulangan Elementary School who were selected using the complete

enumeration technique. A validated and reliability tested questionnaire, adopted from Princeton

Survey research Associates International for the Pew Internet& American Life Project (2009) was

used to determine the effects of texting to spelling skills. A spelling test adapted from the book the

English Remedial Lessons Reading Syllabus was used to determine the level of spelling skills of

the respondents. Mean, standard deviation, and Spearman rho, were used to analyze the data

collected. Findings reveal that the pupils have high text messaging and good spelling skills.

Furthermore, no significant difference was found out between text messaging and spelling skills

indicating that text messaging does not affect spelling skills.

Keywords: text message, spelling skills, level, abbreviations.