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ABSTRACT

This research study entitled “**Language Used in the Sports News**” has been carried out to describe and analyze the language in terms of sentence types, tense, voice, aspect and the special vocabularies used in the cricket, football and tennis news. For the study, the researcher collected thirty English newspapers (i.e. The Kathmandu Post) from a nearby shop. Thirty news stories for each game were studied, observed and analyzed using simple statistical tools like percentage, frequency and checklists. The researcher found that complex sentences, past tense, active voice and simple aspect have been used in all the above mentioned games. Among the four major words, nouns were found to have the highest frequency. Verbs were followed by adjectives and adverbs were found to have the least frequency.

This thesis is divided into four main chapters and other sub-chapters. The first chapter of this study consists of general background, linguistics, mass media, and sports news. It also consists of review of the related literature, objectives and significance of the study. The second chapter of this study deals with the methodology adopted for the study. It mentions the sources of data, sampling procedure, tools for the data collection, process of the data collection and some limitations of the study. Similarly, the third chapter of the study deals with the analysis and interpretation of the collected data using simple statistical tools like percentage and frequency. The fourth chapter deals with the findings and the recommendations made on the basis of the findings. The final part of the thesis includes the reference and the appendices.

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LIST OF SYMBOLS AND ABBREVIATIONS

e.g.	(exempli gratia) for example
et al.	(et alii/alia) and other people or things
etc.	(et cetera) and so on
Freq.	Frequency
Ibid	ibidem
i.e.	(id est) that is
Inf./Infi.	Infinitive form of the verb
No.	Number
p.	page
Per.	Percentage
pp.	Pages
S.N.	Serial Number
T. Freq.	Total Frequency
T. Per.	Total Percentage
V-ed	Past form of the verb
V-en	Past participle form of the verb
V-ing	Present participle form of the verb
V-s/es	Third person present singular form of the verb
Viz.	Namely
%	Percentage