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#### **ABSTRACT**

The present dissertation entitled "A Study on the Errors Committed in the Use of Negation" aims at identifying the errors in negative formation committed by the nine graders in government-aided schools of Kathmandu district. For the study, five government-aided schools of Kathmandu district were selected. While selecting schools of Kathmandu valley, the methods of probability sampling designs were used by applying lottery method. The researcher prepared five types of test items (A, B, C, D and E) for the collection of relevant, valid and appropriate data. First of all a set of test items was administered among forty-five learners of Padmakanya Higher secondary school as a piloting test, and the answer papers were collected within a limited time. After collecting the answer papers, process of identification, description, and explanation of errors was done in order to find out whether the questions were too easy or difficult for the learners. At last, the researcher found that in totality, the learners committed more errors in grammatical negation rather than lexical ones.

This thesis consists of four chapters. Chapter one is an introductory chapter, which includes the general background, objectives of the study, the literature reviewed, and significance of the study. Chapter two includes the methodology adopted to carry out the research. Chapter three consists of the analysis and interpretation of data. Chapter four consists of the findings and recommendations of the study. It ends with a part heading references and appendixes.

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#### **ABBREVIATIONS**

A. - Average

C. - Correct

G.E. - Grammatical Errors

I. - Incorrect

L.E. - Lexical Error

M.R.S - Mahendra Rastriya School

P.H.S. - Padmodaya High School

S.S.S. - Sahidh Sukra School

T. - Total

T.H.S.S. - Tilingtar Higher Secondary School

T.U. - Tribhuvan University

V.S.S. - Vijaya Smarak School