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Abstract

The main objective of this dissertation is to present the analysis of English and Maithili coordination. The analysis of English coordination is fully based on the secondary data. With the help of secondary data collected from "A Reference Grammar of Maithili (1990), University Grammar (1973), and also by using his own intuition the researcher sets the rules of Maithili coordination, then tests those rules by collecting the oral and written data from Maithili Speakers of Sapatary district. By making the contrastive analysis of English and Maithili coordination, it also predicts the errors that Maithili speakers are likely to commit while learning English coordination. It also calculates the errors actually committed by 150 Maithili speaking students of Grade IX and X of Sapatary district through Error Analysis. Finally, it points out the correlation between the predictions of errors and the actual occurrences of error.

The sample population for this study consists of 150 Maithili speaking students of Grade IX and X Sapatary district from ten different schools, fifteen from each school. In this work, both primary and secondary sources are used for the collection of the data. The primary tools for the verification of Maithili coordination are both oral and written texts which consist of three items. The Primary tool for analyzing the errors of Maithili speaking students is a written text which consists of two items. After collecting the data, the responses of the students are marked systematically and errors committed by them are tabulated. The tables consist of total errors and average errors presented item wise and class-wise.

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Abbreviation and Symbols

ACC : Accusative

AFFIR : Affirmative

AGE : Agreement

APP : Appendix

AS : Alternative sentence

ASS : Assertive

AUX : Auxiliary

CA : Contrastive Analysis

CL : Clause

COM : Comma

COND : Conditional

DAT : Dative

DO : Direct Object

EMPH : Emphatic

e.g : For example

FUT : Future

GENIT : Genitive

H : Honorific

HH : High Honorific

i.e. : That is

IMP : Imperfective Aspect

IMPR : Imperative

INF : Infinitive

INFLEX : Inflexions

INTRAN : Intransitive

IO : Indirect Object

MH : Mid honorific

NP : Noun Phrase

NEG : Negative

NH : Non-honorific

PERF : Perfective

PL : Plural

PRES : Present

PST : Past

TRAN : Transitive

V : Verb

VP : Verb Phrase

1 : 1st Person

2: 2^{nd} Person

3 : 3rd Person