

Abstract

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Title: SEMANTIC FIELD "HUMAN APPEARANCE" IN COLLOQUIAL SPANISH

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Topical Importance: is determined by the constant interest of linguists in the study of the lexical system of language, in particular - the theory of semantic fields, as well as the cultural component. The categorization of human experience is associated with human cognitive activity, because the information obtained in the course of human cognitive activity and which has become a processing product finds its expression in linguistic forms. The concept of "appearance" which lies at the base of the semantic field is one of the basic concepts for man. Appearance plays an important role in the life so its components often become the object of linguistic analysis.

Goals: to investigate and describe the semantic field "human appearance" in colloquial Spanish and to reveal the components that make up it.

Tasks:

- to study the works devoted to the investigated problem;
- to define the term "semantic field";
- to consider field theory;
- to define the notion of "lexical meaning", to study its structure;
- to collect empirical material;
- to analyze the collected material;
- to isolate the composition of this semantic field;
- to consider the semantic groups of words that make up the semantic field "human appearance" in colloquial Spanish.

Theoretical value and practical applicability: the results contribute to the development of the theory of intercultural communication. The study promotes a deeper understanding of the national characteristics of the culture in question through the prism of language. The obtained results can serve as a theoretical basis for further scientific research in the field of national Spanish language and culture and have practical application in the study of the following disciplines: lexicology, oral speech, intercultural communication, stylistics.

Results: The nucleus of the semantic field "human appearance" in Spanish colloquially speech is a lexeme «apariencia», the nearest periphery are synonyms of lexeme «apariencia» (presencia, físico, figura, cara, forma, tipo, imagen, traza, pinta, porte, aire, facha, fachada, exterior, semblante, fisonomía); the far periphery are polysemantic words. It is very interesting that some components of the semantic field "human appearance" in Spanish are comparisons, metaphors and zoomorphisms. In the semantic field "human appearance" in Spanish there are 4 microfields which are subdivided into 18 groups. The field under is characterized by the presence of developed systemic links.

Implementation advice: The appearance of a person plays an important role in the modern world, reflects the linguistic picture of the world and has a large volume of lexical units and word combinations, which need further research, including in a comparative investigations.