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MULTIPLE MEANING OF WORDS IN THE ENGLISH LANGUAGE

The article deals with the multiply meaning of words in the English language. Multiple meaning is the presence of several related meanings in the same word.

The word appears in a language with one meaning, it is called the primary, the direct one. Later, as a result of the rethinking of the direct meaning, the word has secondary, figurative meanings. And ambiguous words arise. The transfer of a name from one object to another may occur in contiguity, that is based on certain relationships between objects – spatial, temporal cause and effect [1].

Many recent studies have focused on words with multiply meaning. N. N. Amosova researched broad-meaning, whether heresy is a linguistic phenomenon of lexical-semantic level characterized by the extension of the semantic volume of the word to indicate a variety of denotations. S. N. Dimov considers the significance as characterization of one of the lexico-semantic variants of the ambiguous word. T. V. Zhukov considers ambiguity as a separate independent category [2].

However, little research has been undertaken to study the problem of multiply meaning of words in the English language. The purpose of our study is to study ambiguity as a problem for translating and understanding words of a foreign language.

This paper focused on the ambiguity of English words. The ambiguity causes a language ambiguity, prevents transparent perception the meaning of the utterance. As a rule, some difficulties arise in the understanding foreign languages, the difficulties faced by foreigners and children.

Moreover, we consider polysemy as a category of lexical-semantic level: it is expressed systematic linguistic unit has a regular character. Accordingly, we are analyzing this phenomenon where the word takes into account. It should be noted that ambiguity has a rather negative effect on the understanding of the text and its translation. There are particular difficulties in learning foreign languages, because the ambiguity of words makes it impossible to study the language perfectly and to understand others.

There are a lot of English words which have some meanings. That is why, everyone who read or speak English should be very attentive to the word surrounding to understand the content correctly. For example:

reservation – an agreement to have something held for you;

– a feeling of doubt or uncertainty.

duck – a type of swimming bird with webbed feet and a short neck;

– to lower the head quickly in order to avoid being seen or hit.

drop – a small amount of liquid with a rounded shape;

– to let something fall often suddenly.

To conclude, this paper analyzed the problem of multiply meaning of words in the English language. Having examined this problem, we consider that the ambiguity phenomenon is quite popular and needs further investigation.

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