

ABSTRACT

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Sentences serve as basic social communication tools and have distinct functions each. Imperatives are crucial for issuing command and directive. Understanding both pragmatic and syntactic of imperatives should be considered to clearly convey their function in communication.

This research analyzes pragmatic features and investigates the syntactic structure of imperatives. The aims of this research are: (1) to identify the directive speech function related to the intended meaning of imperatives; (2) to investigate verb-phrase patterns of according to the verb transitivity of imperatives. The Peanuts comic strip was chosen due to their rich dialogues with relatable context. The data consisted 49 imperatives collected from famous and newest Peanuts comic strips.

The content analysis method is used along with Searle's theory of directive speech functions, Chomsky's grammar theory, and Halliday & Matthiessen's theory about transitivity. This method systematically examines imperatives used in Peanuts from both a pragmatic and syntactic perspective.

The research classifies imperative functions into five types: commands 34 data (70%), requests 5 data (10%), prohibitions 5 data (10%), warnings 3 data (6%), and suggestions 2 data (4%). Syntactically, 24 data used transitive verbs and 25 data used intransitive verbs. Additional patterns included adverbs, adjectives, particles, etc. This research provides concrete examples for pragmatic and syntactic concepts in language education. Further data analysis across media could enhance understanding of imperative use in various contexts.

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Kalimat berfungsi sebagai alat komunikasi sosial dasar dan memiliki fungsi berbeda-beda. Imperatif sangat penting untuk mengeluarkan perintah dan arahan. Pemahaman pragmatis dan sintaksis dari imperatif harus dipertimbangkan untuk menyampaikan fungsinya dengan jelas dalam komunikasi.

Penelitian ini menganalisis fitur-fitur pragmatis dan menyelidiki struktur sintaksis imperative. Tujuan dari penelitian ini adalah: (1) mengidentifikasi fungsi tuturan direktif yang berhubungan dengan makna yang dimaksud dalam imperative; (2) menginvestigasi pola kata kerja-frasa sesuai dengan transitivitas kata kerja dalam imperative. Komik strip Peanuts dipilih karena kaya akan dialog sehari-hari dengan konteks yang relevan. Data yang digunakan dalam penelitian ini terdiri dari 49 imperatif yang dikumpulkan dari komik strip Peanuts yang terkenal dan terbaru.

Metode analisis konten digunakan Bersama dengan teori Searle tentang fungsi-fungsi tuturan direktif, teori tata Bahasa Chomsky dan teori Halliday & Matthiesen tentang transitivitas. Metode ini secara sistematis meneliti imperative yang digunakan dalam Peanuts dari perspektif pragmatis dan sintaksis.

Penelitian ini mengklasifikasi fungsi imperative ke dalam lima jenis: perintah 34 data (70%), permintaan 5 data (10%), larangan 5 data (10%), peringatan 3 data (6%), dan saran 2 data (4%). Secara sintaksis, 24 data menggunakan kata kerja transitif dan 25 data menggunakan kata kerja intransitif. Pola tambahan termasuk kata keterangan, kata sifat, partikel, dll. Penelitian ini memberikan contoh konkret untuk pragmatik.

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