

A Study of Phrasal Verb Usage in Nigeria Newspapers.

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Abstract:

This study is an investigation of phrasal verb usage in Nigerian Newspapers. The methodology employed is an adaptation from the works of J. A. Fodor and J. J. Katz, F. R. Palm, Tom McArthur, and Adam Makkai respectively, and the main pre-occupation is the measurement of usage in the newspapers against the categories of linguistic description set up.

The introductory and theoretical background to the study is provided along with a review of the contributions of some notable authors on the phrasal verb, and the methodology and categories of linguistic description.

Apart from providing a grammatical description of the phrasal verb with information on its morphological structure, and its syntactic and semantic uses, this study also treats textual analytical details, along the parameters of linguistic description set cut.

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