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The Kindred's Discourse in the Holy Qura'n

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Abstract

The current study presents a pragmatic analysis of the kindred's discourse in the Holy Qura'n. The study comprises of an introduction, a preface, seven chapters and a conclusion.

The introduction includes the topic of the study. The preface introduces the definition of pragmatics along with the theoretical basis of some of its issues as Language Usage and Speech Acts.

The first chapter entitled "Syntax of Discourse Texts" includes discourse texts. The researcher did arrange and classify them, and did number their sentences in order to simplify the reference to the practical evidence during the analysis.

The second chapter handles 'Deletion' and its pragmatic dimensions applying that on discourse verses. The researcher did the same in the third chapter handling 'Anastrophe'. The fourth chapter tackles 'Repetition' clarifying that these three cases; i.e., Deletion, Anastrophe and Repetition, are an example of 'Deviation' from the origin of the linguistic rule, while the fifth chapter addresses 'Pragmatic apostrophe'; i.e., 'Deviation' from the context or what is expected from the listener.

The sixth chapter handles 'Composition and its Pragmatic Dimensions' illustrating that it is considered an example deviation from the setting requirement in the absence of certain necessary conditions.

The researcher focuses mainly on identifying the pragmatic meanings and the implicit purposes and clarifies that they accompany the basic meaning while deviating the language requirements either in its grammatical rules as in 'deletion, Anastrophe, and Repetition' or in what is out of the context as in 'apostrophe'. It is an alternative of the basic meaning when it deviates from the setting requirement as in composition if the discourse does not match the required setting.

The seventh chapter which is entitled "Discourse Strategies" is divided into two parts handling the definition of the strategy and its types in the first part, an application on Discourse verses in the second part, and followed by the conclusion, results, sources, and references.