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11. Summary of the new findings of the thesis:

- The dissertation has built up its own theory frame of certain semantic and syntax criteria to identify Perception Verbs in English and in Vietnamese. Accordingly, author has found out 61 Perception Verbs in English of which 40 Agentive Verbs (23 visual verbs, 3 auditory verbs, 5 tactile verbs, 2 olfactory verbs, 7 gustatory verbs), 15 Experiencer Verbs (8 visual verbs, 2 auditory verbs, 1 tactile verbs, 3 olfactory verbs, 1 gustatory verbs), 6 Percept Verbs (1 visual verbs, 1 auditory verbs, 1 tactile verbs, 2 olfactory verbs, 1 gustatory verbs), comparing with 40 Perception Verbs (or Perception Expression in English) in Vietnamese. They are 22 Agentive Verbs (9 visual verbs, 4 auditory verbs, 3 tactile verbs, 3 olfactory verbs, 3 gustatory verbs), 11 Experiencer Verbs (5 visual verbs, 2 auditory verbs, 1 tactile verbs, 1 olfactory verbs, 2 gustatory verbs), 7 Percept Verbs (3 visual verbs, 1 auditory verbs, 1 tactile verbs, 1 olfactory verbs, 1 gustatory verbs).

- The dissertation has chosen five semantic criteria, namely Telic, Control, Experience, Percept, and Percept, of which Percept is proposed by the author. Basing on these five criteria, the dissertation has classified and divided the Perception Verbs into three groups: Agentive Verbs, Experiencer Verbs, and Percept Verbs. And, the equivalents in Vietnamese have also been found.

- The dissertation has shown ten semantic roles that appear in semantic expressions having Perception Verbs in English and Vietnamese. Two of these roles are proposed by the author to help study the semantic and syntax frames of the Perception Verbs in both languages.

- The dissertation has carried out a survey of five criteria applied to the Perception Verbs in both languages to find out prototypes. Then, the dissertation has proposed tables of Perception Verbs belonging to Prototype-based category, Basic category, Upper category and Lower category.

- Basing on the Functional Linguistic theories, the dissertation has researched and shown ten semantic and syntax expression frames having Agentive Perception Verbs in English in comparison with five in Vietnamese, four semantic and syntax expression frames and four sub-semantic and syntax expression frames having Experiencer Perception Verbs in English in comparison with three in Vietnamese, and four semantic and syntax expression frames having Percept Perception Verbs in English in comparison with two in Vietnamese. Therefore, the dissertation has listed eighteen semantic and syntax expression frames and four sub-semantic and syntax expression frames having Percept Perception Verbs in English to carry out a contrast with ten Vietnamese frames in the field of semantics and syntax.

- Basing on the Cognitive Linguistic theoried, the dissertation has exploited and explained polyseme phenomenon mainly caused by embodiment, conversion and grammaticalization.

12. Practical applicability:

- The result of the dissertation will partly help those who carry out lexical research in the future.

- The result of the dissertation will partly help Vietnamese people to learn English in general and Perception Verbs in particular, and vice versa more effectively.

- The proposal of semantic and syntax frames in the lexical study of the author is a really new contribution in Linguistics.

13. Further research directions:

- The author will continue to study semantic and syntax features of the Perception Verbs in English and in Vietnamese in more details to find out all their typical characteristics.

- The author will further exploit more in the light of Cognitive Linguistics to explain semantic features of the Perception Verbs in both languages that the dissertation has not done yet.

14. Thesis-related publications:

Hoàng Thị Hoà (2009), "Semantic changes basing on Grammaticalization of some typical Verbs of Senses in English and Vietnamese.", *Language and Life* (1+2), Linguistics of Society of Vietnam, pp. 6-12.

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