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A COMPARATIVE STUDY AND ANALYSIS OF THE ENGLISH TEXTBOOKS OF SECONDARY SCHOOLS OF GUJARAT: STRUCTURE AND GRAMMATICAL ITEMS

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Abstract

In the English language and Textbook of English, Structure and Grammar is an important part. In this paper, the researcher's purpose to compare the structure and grammatical items in the textbooks of secondary school of Gujarat grade IX and X. English textbooks of grade IX and X analysed mainly by two parameters: Structure and Grammatical Items. The researcher studied each lesson of grade IX and X to assess the Structure and Grammatical Items.

Key words: English Language, Comparison, Analysis, Secondary School, Structure, Grammatical Items, English Textbooks

Introduction

In the Native English language children acquired Grammar automatically with the learning language from childhood but other parts of the world where different languages are using as native language or mother tongue, children should learn grammatical items to make a meaningful sentence and convey the exact expression or emotion.

In this paper, the English textbooks of Gujarat analysed by two parameters; Structure and Grammatical Items. Structure comprises into two-parts 'Word Formation' and 'Types of Sentences'. In the Word Formation: parts of speech, prefix and suffix contained within. Types of Sentences includes in two parts: Based on function; Declarative (statement): Affirmative Sentences and Negative Sentences, Interrogative Sentences, Imperative Sentences and exclamatory Sentences while based on structure are: simple Sentences, compound Sentences, complex Sentences and compound-complex Sentences. Grammatical items selected such as: all Tenses, Modal auxiliaries, 'Wh' – questions, Active - passive Voice, Direct - Indirect Speech, Degrees, Clauses, Gerund, Determiners and Subject – Verb Agreement. Parts of Speech analyzed from the text of lessons and poems although Prefix, Suffix, Types of Sentences, and Grammatical Items have analysed from the given exercise at the end of the text.

Gujarat Structures

Table 1
Structures of Grade IX

Structure of English language																			
Gujarat Grade IX	Word formation										Types of Sentences								
											Based on function					Based on Structure			
	No un	Pro noun	Verb	Adjective	Adverb	Preposition	Conjunction	Interjection	Prefix	Suffix	Declarative (Statement)		Interrogative (Question)	Imperative (Command, request, advice)	Exclamatory (Exclamation)	Simple	compound	complex	Compound-complex
Affirmative											Negative								
Lesson No.																			
1	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✗	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✗	✗	✗
2	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✗	✓	✓	✓	✗	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗
3	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✗	✓	✗	✓	✗	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗
4	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✗	✓	✗	✓	✗	✓	✓	✗	✗	✗
5	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✗	✓	✗	✓	✗	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗
6	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✗	✓	✗	✓	✗	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗
7	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✗	✓	✗	✓	✗	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗

8	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	×	×	✓	×	✓	×	×	✓	×	×	×
9	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	×	×	✓	×	✓	×	✓	✓	×	×	×
10	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	×	×	✓	×	✓	×	×	✓	×	×	×
11	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	×	×	✓	×	✓	×	×	✓	×	×	×
✓	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	0	0	11	2	11	0	3	11	0	0	0
×	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	11	11	0	9	0	0	8	0	11	11	11

Table 2
Structures of Grade X

Structure of English language																			
Gujarat Grade X	Word formation										Types of Sentences								
											Based on function					Based on Structure			
											Declarative (Statement)		Interrogative (Question)	Imperative (Command, request, advice)	Exclamatory (Exclamation)	Simple	compound	complex	Compound-complex
Lesson No.	No un	Pro noun	Verb	Adjective	Adverb	Preposition	Conjunction	Interjection	Prefix	Suffix	Affirmative	Negative							
1	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	×	×	✓	×	✓	×	×	✓	×	×	×
2	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	×	×	✓	×	✓	×	×	✓	×	×	×

3	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	×	×	✓	×	✓	×	×	✓	×	×	×
4	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	×	×	✓	×	✓	×	×	✓	×	×	×
5	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	×	×	✓	×	✓	×	×	✓	×	×	×
6	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	×	×	✓	×	✓	×	×	✓	×	×	×
7	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	×	×	✓	×	✓	×	×	✓	×	×	×
8	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	×	×	✓	×	✓	×	×	✓	×	×	×
9	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	×	✓	✓	×	✓	×	×	✓	×	×	×
10	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	×	×	✓	×	✓	×	×	✓	×	×	×
✓	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	0	1	10	0	10	0	0	10	0	0	0
×	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	10	9	0	10	0	10	10	0	10	10	10
✓	21	21	21	21	21	21	21	21	0	1	21	2	21	0	3	11	0	0	0
×	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	21	20	0	19	0	10	18	0	21	21	21

Table 3

Structure of English language (percentage and average)																			
States	Word formation										Types of Sentences								
											Based on function					Based on Structure			
	No un	Pro no un	Ve rb	Ad ject ive	Ad ver b	Pre pos ition	Co nju nction	Int erj ecti on	Prefi x	Suffi x	Declarative (Statement)		Inter roga tive (Que stion)	Imp erati ve (Co mma nd, requ est, advi ce)	Excl amat ory (Exc lama tion)	Si mp le	co mp ou nd	co mp lex	Co mpo und-com plex
											Affir mati ve	Neg ative							
Gujarat IX	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	0	0	100	18.18	100	0	27.27	100	0	0	0
Gujarat X	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	0	10	100	0	100	0	0	100	0	0	0
AVERAGE	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	0.00	5.00	100	9.09	100	0.00	13.64	100	0.00	0.00	0.00

Average and percentage of Structures

Grammatical Items

Table 4

Grammatical Items of Grade IX

Grammatical Items																					
Gujar at Grad e IX	Tenses												Mo dal aux ilia ries	'W h' - que stio ns	Act ive - pas siv e Vo ice	Dire ct - Indir ect Spee ch	De gre es	Cla use s	Ge run d	Det er mi ner s	Subj ect - Ver b Agr eem ent
Lesso n N0.	Si mp le pre sen t	Pre sen t pro gre ssi ve	Pres ent perfe ct	Pres ent perfe ct prog ressi ve	Si mp le pas t	Past prog ressi ve	Pas t per fec t	Past perf ect prog ressi ve	Sim ple futur e	futur e prog ressi ve	Fut ure per fec t	Futu re perfe ct prog ressi ve									
1	×	×	×	×	✓	✓	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	✓	×	×	×	×	×	×	×
2	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	✓	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×
3	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×
4	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×
5	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	✓	×	×	×	×
6	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	✓	×	×	×	×	×
7	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	✓	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×
8	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×
9	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×
10	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×
11	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	✓	×	×	×	×	×	×	×

✓	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2	0	1	1	0	0	0	0
×	11	11	11	11	10	10	11	11	11	11	11	11	9	9	11	10	10	11	11	11	11

Table 5

Grammatical Items of Grade X

Grammatical Items																					
Lesson NO.	Tenses												Modal aux ilia ries	'W h' - que stio ns	Act ive - pas sive Vo ice	Dir ect - Ind ire ct Sp eec h	De gre es	Cla use s	Ge run d	Det er mi ner s	Subj ect – Ver b Agr eem ent
	Si mp le pre sen t	Pres ent progre ssi ve	Pres ent perfe ct	Prese nt perfec t progre ssive	Sim ple past	Pas t progre ssi ve	Past perfe ct	Past perfe ct progre ssi ve	Si mp le fut ure	fut ure progre ssi ve	Fut ure perfec t	Future perfec t progre ssive									
1	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×
2	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×
3	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×
4	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×
5	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	✓	×	×	×	×	×	×
6	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	✓	×	×	×	×	×
7	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	✓	×	×	×	×	×
8	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	✓	×	×	×	×	×	×	×
9	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×
10	✓	×	✓	×	✓	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×

✓	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	2	0	0	0	0	0
×	9	10	9	10	9	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	9	9	8	10	10	10	10	10
✓	1	0	1	0	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	3	1	3	1	0	0	0	0
×	20	21	20	21	19	20	21	21	21	21	21	21	19	18	20	18	20	21	21	21	21

Table 3

Average and percentage of Grammatical Items

Grammatical Items (Percentage and Average)																					
States	Tenses												Modal auxiliaries	'Wh' - questions	Active - passive Voice	Direct - Indirect Speech	Degrees	Clauses	Gerunds	Determiners	Subject - Verb Agreement
	Simple present	Present progressive	Present perfect	Present perfect progressive	Simple past	Past progressive	Past perfect	Past perfect progressive	Simple future	Future progressive	Future perfect	Future perfect progressive									
Gujarat IX	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	9.09	9.09	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	18.18	18.18	0.00	9.09	9.09	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Gujarat X	10.00	0.00	10.00	0.00	10.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	10.00	10.00	20.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Average	5.00	0.00	5.00	0.00	9.55	4.55	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	9.09	14.09	5.00	14.55	4.55	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

Conclusion

In conclusion, the structure of English language is the base of the language. Basic Grammatical Items and Structure introduced in the Elementary and Intermediate level and the further information have provided in secondary level. Parts of speech analysed from the lessons and poems while prefix, suffix, types of sentences, and Grammatical Items have analysed from the given exercise. Complex and compound- complex sentences have not provided in learning way in any textbook's exercise. Both the textbooks covered grammatical items perfectly and enough exercise for the practice, but the textbooks have not much information provided about grammatical items. Exercises are perfect and simple way to understand the students and enough to practice. But It has given directly only exercise, without familiar grammatical items, their rules and the way making sentences or the changes of tenses, it is difficult to digest for students as if they do not know the language.

As per the data analysis, Grade IX secured first place and Grade X is on the second place in both the Structure and Grammatical Items.

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