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INFERENCE IN LINGUISTIC AND EXTRALINGUISTIC STUDIES

Abstract

The paper briefly reviews the studies, devoted to the inference phenomenon in linguistic and extra-linguistic fields. It also studies and illustrates inferences in narrative discourse comprehension, nomination and word-building processes in the formation of such linguistic units as idioms, derivative verbs, abbreviations. The conclusion about the universality of the discussed phenomenon as a way of thinking and its unique character in every special case of its existence in language and speech is made.

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