TEACHING OF AFFIXES ON VOCABULARY LEARNING OF TAMIL

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Abstract

The present study is deal with most frequently occurring affixes and their importance on vocabulary learning and teaching of Tamil students. Vocabulary is a fundamental basis of every sentence in every language. Students' vocabulary knowledge can be advanced through a variety of techniques. One of the most popular strategies in vocabulary learning supported by many researchers is using affix knowledge (Fotokian, M. & Rahmatipasand Z. 2015) which can assist learners in learning unfamiliar words. Therefore, this study investigates different affixes for vocabulary learning of Tamil based on a 20 million words of Tamil corpus.

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1.0 INTRODUCTION

The trends of linguistic theory play a role in the development of language pedagogy. The earlier dominance of Chomskyan School of Linguistics partly accounts for the general neglect of vocabulary acquisition in favour of syntactic development. However, the fact that foreign language learners generally see vocabulary learning as their first priority and report that they encounter considerable difficulty in vocabulary learning is extensively recognized by language teachers and repeatedly pointed