Abstract

This thesis deals with various uses of the paradigm *HE HABLADO* in different areas of the Spanish-Speaking world. It is divided into two parts, theoretical and practical. Concerning the theoretical part, I focus in general on Spanish past tenses which I consider relevant for this thesis, I further explain the contrast between terms *aspect, perfective* and *perfect*, then I examine differences between *HE HABLADO* and *HABLÉ* paradigms using various grammar books and I also divide the Spanish-speaking world into various areas. Moreover, in the theoretical part I describe possibilities of interpretation of the paradigm *HE HABLADO* from the perspective of The Royal Spanish Academy.

In the practical part, I analyse examples of the Spanish present perfect in each of the seven zones I define in the theoretical part. To do so, I use my own sub-corpora created by extracting a certain number of results from the CORPES XXI corpus. In these sub-corpora, I examine the general frequency of occurrences as well as assigning the results to individual interpretations and I also analyse different examples. The findings and results obtained are further supported in some cases by secondary analyses on CEMC, CORPES XXI or Corpus Del Español corpora.

Key words

Spanish, corpus study, present perfect, past simple, paradigm, Hispanic America, Spain