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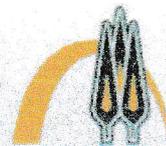
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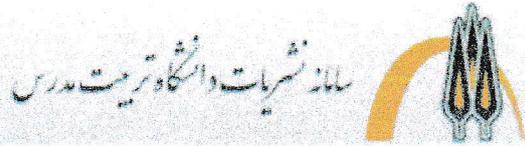
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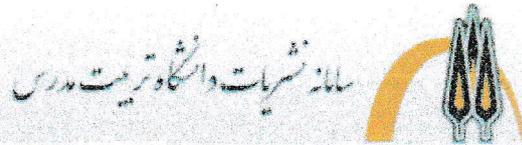
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**Comments to the author****Review of the manuscript file-jcll-49151-anonym-by-refr-58175**

This is a review of the above manuscript. In what follows, I will report my general comments on the manuscript. Then I will provide my detailed comments on the manuscript referring to the paragraph and page numbers. These comments can be found on the Word file of the manuscript, as well. Finally, I will provide my review suggestions in terms of publication.

General comments

1. The topic seems to be an interesting one with a new look at metaphor analysis. I think this study can fill a gap in metaphor analysis.
2. The statement of the purpose of study and the significance of conducting the study is underdeveloped. Most of the space in the introduction was dedicated to reviewing the analytical approach in a more or less incoherent way.
3. There are many claims about Balinese culture with no reference provided. Though the claims might be correct, the readers need to see whose claims they are. This is, in fact, a serious shortcoming of this manuscript. The parts that needs reference for the claims made by the authors are commented in the word file attached.
4. The review of literature is not written systematically. It is suggested that the authors follow the following pattern:
  - Metaphor
  - Approaches to analyze metaphors
  - Prior studies on metaphor (with the focus on women representation)

• The need for lexical-semantics combined with pragmatic interpretation, particularly in the context of the present study.

5. The method section is underdeveloped and needs to be enhanced. Details are provided below.
6. The discussion section is underdeveloped and needs enhancement. Details in this regard are provided below.
7. The language of the manuscript is OK.
8. Limitations and delimitations of the study should be mentioned in the discussion section.
9. It is suggested that the authors double-check the reference list in terms of APA 7th ed. meticulously.

Introduction

1. In some parts of the introduction, there are sudden jumps of ideas. The authors should deal with this problem via A linking phrase is needed to link the two sentences.
2. Page 2, paragraph 3:  
Cultural metaphor is considered as a sub-concept of conceptual metaphor. Therefore, it sounds more sensible if the authors introduce conceptual metaphor and then link it to cultural metaphor and the Balinese example.
3. On page 2, paragraph 3 the authors wrote the following  
*The dichotomy extends to the appearance of paradoxical perceptions expressed through the phrases luh luh (noble woman) and luh luu (despicable woman). In Balinese culture, the phrase luh luh symbolizes a noble woman. In contrast, luh luu refers to a woman with bad connotations*  
It seems that this part is the motivation behind conducting the present study. Therefore, this part should be elaborated more for the readers.
4. On page 2, paragraph 3 the authors wrote the following:  
*According to Ibarretxe-Antuñano (2013), this paradoxical perception is also known as a conceptual metaphor.*  
Reference to Lakoff and Johnson (1980) is needed here.
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The authors should be clearer in rationalizing the use of lexical semantic theory combined with analysis in generative grammar to describe Balinese metaphor related to women. Specifically, the role of generative grammar is not sufficiently elaborated.
6. It would be better if defining features of a metaphor was discussed first and then lexical-semantics approach to analysing metaphors were explained.
7. The research questions should be reformulated. As they are reported in the manuscript, they do not reflect the nature of the analysis.

Review of the literature

1. On page 6, paragraph 2, the authors wrote the following:  
*Other theories applied for metaphor analysis were conceptual metaphor theory or CMT (Pilyarchuk & Onysko, 2018),*  
This theory was proposed by Lakoff and Johnson (1980)!
2. Section 2.2.1 on metaphor should be placed at the beginning of the review of literature just before 'Prior studies on metaphor'.
3. Under section 2.2.3 the authors wrote the following:  
*Boldyrev & Dubrovskaya (2016) argued that cultures constitute behavioural patterns acquired by people throughout their lives as society members and transmitted by language symbols.*  
Reference should be made to pillars of cultural studies in Applied Linguistics, such as Clair Krambsch.
4. It is expected that more relevant studies be reviewed, e.g., studies on metaphor analysis in Balinese

language, especially the ones related to women metaphors conducted applying other theories and/or analytical frameworks.

#### Method

1. The authors should provide more detailed information about the sources of data and avoid providing general data sources. In other words, they need to actually mention the short stories, pop songs, and novels used as sources of data for the present study. Also, they need to contextualize the sources mentioned in terms of their genre, date of text production, the language of the texts, the audience of the texts, etc.
2. The process of data saturation, which is significant in qualitative data collection, should be included.
3. Details of in-depth interview and focus-group discussion should be mentioned. Also, the process of validation of the interview questions should be included.
4. What is the method of data analysis? Typological analysis? Grounded-Theory analysis? Content analysis? Any coding procedure?  
Also, it is not clear based on what criteria the metaphors have been detected.
5. How about the analysis of in-depth interview and focus-group discussion data? No information is provided in this regard.
6. On the ending line of Data Analysis the following is written:  
*The results were cyclical and presented descriptively, as well as qualitatively.*  
What does it mean? How do the authors distinguish descriptive and qualitative results?

#### Findings

1. The detected metaphors should be underlined in the translation of the excerpts, as well.
2. I suggest that the authors manoeuvre more on the construction of thinking from concrete to abstract via providing and analysing more examples.
3. Page 17, first paragraph:
  - a. How is the semantic feature +CONCRETE relate to the beauty of women's eyebrows?
  - b. Similarity of the semantic features inherent in the vehicles of these metaphors should be shown.
4. More samples should be reported by the authors to support the findings.

#### Discussion

1. As a convention in writing discussion, the findings of the study should be discussed in light of the previous studies reviewed in the review of the literature section. Here, reference is made to some studies that have not been reviewed by the authors:  
Almirabi (2015), Wijana (2015), Parera (1990), Taguchi (2016)
2. The purpose of the study and the main findings should be restated at the beginning of the discussion.
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4. At the ending line of the first paragraph under the discussion title, the authors wrote the following:  
*The success of the semantic decomposition process for a metaphorical vehicle is one of the assets in pragmatic interpretation.*  
The authors should support this claim by referring to their findings!
5. On page 13, paragraph 2, the authors wrote the following:  
*Socio-cultural knowledge is needed because every linguistic symbol is never used outside culture.*  
This claim needs support. Kecskes' ideas regarding language, culture, and context can be helpful.
6. Normally, in the discussion, we do not analyze new data!
7. In the middle of the discussion, the researcher compared the results of analyzing Balinese samples to that of Bahasa Indonesia and Malay language samples. However, it is not clear where the samples of Bahasa Indonesia and Malay come from?

Upon critically reading the manuscript, I will have to recommend a **major revision**, as there are too many fundamental issues to be dealt with in this manuscript before considering it for publication.

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Dear Editor;

I found the topic of the article quite intriguing and I think it could have been a worthwhile study. However, I am making my decision based on the following points.

- The title is vague; it does not make clear whether it is going to discuss the metaphors used by Balinese women, used to describe them, or it is just an expression used as a metaphor. Of course, it is later revealed that the former is the case; yet, many confusions persist.
- The manuscript seems to need language editing.
- The framework of the study is not really clear; is it a primarily linguistic study of those metaphors, is it a cultural study, or a women's study. I did notice that the authors tried to move from a semantics perspective to a pragmatics one, however, I believe they need to stay focused on one aspect of these metaphors (e.g. the cultural value of the metaphors) and use other arguments in periphery. What I see now, is rather confusing.
- It is not clearly emphasized why metaphors used to describe Balinese women are targeted for this study; is the paper going to draw cultural conclusions focusing on the representation of women in that society? It is somehow ambiguous.
- The methodology is also infected with ambiguities; it is not clear where exactly the corpus is collected from, what genres (and with what proportions) it encompasses, why those texts have been targeted, and many other questions. We are also kept in dark regarding the role of those five informants selected and we are not sure how they have contributed to the study. In another part of the methodology, an ethnographic stance is claimed, while I cannot realize in what aspect the study was ethnographic.
- Despite the interesting presentation of the results, we are not sure on what basis those excerpts of texts are selected and whether they are offering a representative sample of the corpus. Also, a broader perspective or pattern does not seem to have been drawn out of the data.
- The conclusion is too brief and, in fact, inconclusive. The fact that the interpretation of metaphors about women can start from a semantic analysis and move towards a pragmatic/cultural one does not really read like conclusion to me; rather, it best serves as the framework of the study.
- If I want to summarize my comments, I can say that, the study is worth publication, but it needs to be extensively revised. The author(s) need(s) to set off from a particular theoretical framework and stick to this pivotal focus throughout the whole study. For instance, they could focus on a feminist perspective and study the linguistic representation of Balinese women through metaphors in one particular genre (literature, daily conversations, news, etc.).

1. Figure 3 and 7 should be combined so that the analysis was not long and trivial.
2. Conclusion needs to be developed so that it responds to the research problems.
3. Pay attention to the use of English carefully and be careful of using it carefully in  
  
order to be native like speaker of English.

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1. Overall, the manuscript needs language editing. In many parts, there are lack of links among the ideas and the points are mentioned rather discretely.
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*According to Ifantidou and Hatzidaki (2019); Xu and Wu (2014), the procedure is associated with cognitive semantic and pragmatic realization.*  
APA is not followed. It should be written as follows: According recent findings, e.g. (Ifantidou & Jatzidaki, 2019; Xu & Wu, 2014)
4. First paragraph of page 2: The rationale for choosing metaphor as the research foci is not convincing for readers. The authors should provide a theoretical link between their research purpose and the theory of metaphor analysis. I revised this part using the authors' own wordings.
5. Page 2, paragraph 2: The following sentence is not clear. How exactly is cultural metaphor generated?  
*such as the ability of conceptual metaphor to generate cultural metaphor*
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In this paragraph, so many ideas are mentioned without any explicit link among them. The authors should provide explicit link to make a flow of ideas rather than discrete ideas said one after another.
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Kramsch did not work on Balinese women. This sentence is written as if three out of four pillars that Kramsch talked about is related to Balinese women! This is not at all true. The sentence needs serious revision.
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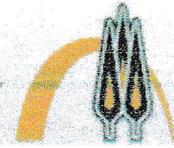
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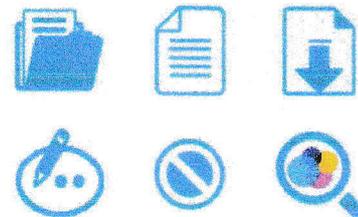


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