

A comparison on hyponymy and cultural symbolism of six color words between Chinese language and Bahasa Indonesia

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Abstrak

Color words originate from natural world. In general different language have similar patterns of color hypernymy. Nevertheless, when it comes to color hyponymy, it is not the case. Specific color hyponyms have emerged because different countries. Besides, color words are also rich in cultural symbolism. In other words, same colors in different countries have different cultural symbolism. This paper analyzed six color words (red, white, yellow, blue, green, and black) between Chinese language and bahasa Indonesia to find similarities and differences both in hyponymy and in cultural symbolism.