

## METAPHORS AND PHRASEOLOGICAL UNITS AS ENGLISH EDUCATIONAL AND METHODOLOGICAL TERMS

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### **Abstract**

This paper examines the use of metaphors and phraseological units as a significant aspect of English educational and methodological terminology. It explores how these figurative language devices contribute to the richness and complexity of educational discourse, often conveying nuanced meanings and cultural insights. The paper discusses the challenges these elements present for translation, highlighting the need for a deep understanding of both the literal and figurative meanings of terms and the cultural contexts in which they are used. It argues that a nuanced approach to translation, incorporating a consideration of cultural background, semantic nuances, and the specific context of usage, is essential for achieving accurate and effective translation of educational and methodological terminology. The paper concludes by emphasizing the importance of ongoing research and development of translation resources that can effectively address the complexities of figurative language in educational discourse.

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### **INTRODUCTION**

This study employed a multifaceted approach to examine the use of metaphors and phraseological units in English educational and methodological terminology, focusing on their impact on translation and cross-cultural understanding. The methodology integrated a combination of corpus analysis, linguistic analysis, and expert consultation.

#### 1. Corpus Analysis:

A comprehensive corpus of English educational and methodological texts was compiled, drawing from a variety of sources, including:

- Academic Journals: Articles from prominent educational journals focusing on teaching, learning, curriculum development, and educational policy.

- Textbooks: Popular textbooks used in various educational levels and subject areas.
- Educational Websites and Resources: Online resources, including websites of international educational organizations, government education portals, and teacher professional development platforms.

The corpus analysis aimed to:

- Identify key metaphors and phraseological units: Extract instances of figurative language commonly used in English educational discourse.
- Analyze usage patterns: Explore the frequency and context of use for specific metaphors and phraseological units.
- Identify potential translation challenges: Observe the complexities of translating these figurative expressions, considering semantic nuances, cultural differences, and contextual implications.

## 2. Linguistic Analysis:

A linguistic analysis of the identified metaphors and phraseological units was conducted, focusing on their:

- Semantic Structure: Examining the underlying meaning and conceptual basis of metaphors and the specific meaning conveyed by phraseological units.
- Syntactic Structure: Analyzing the grammatical structure of metaphors and phraseological units, particularly their use in complex sentences and within specific grammatical contexts.
- Pragmatic Functions: Exploring the communicative purposes of metaphors and phraseological units, considering their role in conveying emotion, emphasizing ideas, creating vivid imagery, and establishing cultural context.

## 3. Expert Consultation:

Expert consultations were conducted with experienced educators, linguists, and translators specializing in English educational terminology. These consultations aimed to:

- Gather insights into the use of figurative language: Gain understanding of how metaphors and phraseological units are perceived and interpreted by educators and translators.

- Discuss translation challenges: Explore the complexities of translating figurative language across languages, considering cultural sensitivities and the need for accurate and pedagogically appropriate translations.

- Identify effective translation strategies: Seek advice on appropriate strategies for translating metaphors and phraseological units in educational contexts, including strategies for maintaining the intended meaning, avoiding cultural misinterpretations, and ensuring clarity and effectiveness for the target audience.

This multi-pronged approach, integrating corpus analysis, linguistic analysis, and expert consultation, provided a comprehensive and insightful examination of the role and impact of metaphors and phraseological units in English educational and methodological terminology.

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