

Abstract

Homograph is a product of word development. It witnessed the human civilization from ancient to modern, and then to the highly evolved future. On study of the Chinese homograph, it is not only for study the Chinese character development patterns, but it also show the development of Chinese character and provide the guideline for the human civilization. In this paper, it will show the study of Chinese homograph and integrated the previous research result. It will try to study the Chinese homograph for relatively comprehensive study by using difference methods on time crisscross way.

The main researches of Chinese homograph include:

1. Integrated the previous research result and discuss the problems of homograph by the academic. Renew the definition of [+Shape, +/-Sound, -Meaning] and deny the meaning extension belongs to the homograph. Determine the phonetic loan is one of making homograph method and provide the guideline of homograph research.
2. Try to identify clearer standard for homograph, by using semantics analysis theories and the relationship between meaning extension. And it also identifies the homograph and non-homograph in difference situations.
3. Start from the source of homograph, and then to summarize three of reasons and eight difference situations on the creation of homograph.
4. Base on reference books to statistic homograph on time crisscross way and investigate homograph that will be become stable, identifiable and optimal.
5. Make positive and negative conclusions on homograph which affect language development and human civilization development. It will be analysis positive and negative factors which affect on homograph development, propose the usage of homograph and how to handle it.

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