

The Category of Version in Contemporary Literary Georgian

Summary

The category of version involves three elements of the opposition: subjective, objective and neutral. Of these, the first two elements may be qualified as possession-defined, and the third – as possession-non-defined.

Version is a category of a transitive verb only; as for intransitive verbs, the opposition is not characteristic according to this category.

From the morphological point of view, it is possible to characterize the category of version as far as the opposition has been expressed with a morphological means (prefixes) within the limits of a single word (viz. a verb), disregarding the surrounding words; e. g. i-šenebs, u-šenebs, a-šenebs.

In contemporary Literary Georgian Subjective Version is expressed by i - (i-šenebs, i-keravs), Objective Version – by i – ... u – (m-i- šenebs, g-i- šenebs, u-šenebs, m-i- keravs, g-i-keravs, u-keravs), Neutral Version – by a-∅ (a-šenebs, keravs).