

Problems of Reconnecting the ‘Science of Language’ to Discourse

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Abstract. Reconnection of language and discourse is a problem of modern linguistics. The two domains of the linguistic science were studied separately in traditional linguistics. Nowadays new approaches can broaden the linguistic view of language phenomena, which disclose different relationship with non-linguistic knowledge, human environment, culture, etc. Such connections give new ideas, new methods for analysis and language understanding. Thus, there are different attitudes towards the development of language. Some grammarians seek to study language from the traditional, i.e. grammatical point of view, however, modern linguists try to implement modern ideas and methods of reconnecting language and discourse. This article deals with problems related to the analysis of linguistic issues on discourse and language science in the English and Lithuanian languages and analyses the problem of interconnection and interdependency of language as a theoretical subject and discourse as a practical linguistic adaptation in the modern world. There is also presented a comparative approach to the problem based on the ideas of well-known both Lithuanian and English grammarians.