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### Piotr Fąka

### Dialogue - concepts, research problems, controversies

This article concerns the problem of personal verb-form and its persuasive value. The usage of personal verb-forms with appropriate personal pronouns determines the character of sender-receiver relations in sermon. The article describes personal verb-forms with the biggest and the smallest illocutionary force.

### Edyta Joanna Łukaszuk

### Apparent sSynonymy of lexemes in German

The aim of my work is to create a device of correct translation and correct understanding of statements containing some idioms and having the metaphorical meaning in one way. The material base which has become the basis for comparative research, comes from (I) the author's own observations of use of German, (II) the comparison with dictionary definitions and partially (III) from surveys that were carried out by herself in German academic environment. The work focuses mainly on the material and might form the basis for formulating insights of the theoretical nature or reviewing semantic conceptions. Problems arise as a result of translation, since the meanings of separate words update each time and bilingual dictionaries are insufficient to retain the correct and consistent with custom usage. The ambiguity of dictionary translations or excessive simplifications in quest for Polish equivalents notes the necessity for taking into consideration the situation of the use. The present material contains types of linguistic situations presenting problems in the interlingual translation.

### Anna Maria Mikołajczyk

## Angel's topos in Jan Twardowski's poetry. Language-text relations

This article aims to demonstrate the multilevel nature of the world of angels in Jan Twardowski's poetry, which is the result of his exceptional lingual creativity.

The attempt to describe his work's complexity is made by conducting a study of coherence of his texts, i.e. lexical and grammatical connections, with use of literature theory and foundations of cognitive science. One of many angel conceptualisations is analysed, namely 'An angel existing in other realms of this world'.

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### Tomasz Oszczęda

# The Means of persuasion, and the argumentation in *Rozmowy Polaka z Włochem* by Łukasz Górnicki

The aim of the author of this article is to bring closer language methods of the influence by the speaker of a verbal message on the views of the hearer, applied in the obscure 16th-century work written in 1587 by Łukasz Górnicki entitled *Rozmowy Polaka z Włochem* o wolnościach i prawach polskich. The work has a form of dialogue. It brings up issues of the political and legal situation prevailing in Poland at the close of the 16th century. Interlocutors, that is representing different stands – a foreigner (an Italian criticizing Polish rights) and a Pole (convinced of their righteousness) use, during a polemics, various methods of persuasion by means of which they attempt to persuade each other of their arguments' rightness; the following methods are: citing authorities, supporting the theory with examples and quotations, analogies, putting questions, making references to historic events known from literature, and, what concerns only the Pole, presenting himself unfavourably.

### Joanna Rechcińska

### TVP 1 News as a manifestation of manipulation in a news broadcast

The motivation for undertaking this theme became the numerous charges on appearing non-typical for the informative style function – the opinion-forming function inconsistent with principles regulated by different kind of legal instruments, and above all, however, the suspicion media of manipulating public opinion. The author was trying to reveal in the collected material (main editions of TVP1 News) the multidimensional character of the phenomenon of manipulation in the information transfer, indicating its existence in visual aspect, verbal aspect and as a result of connection of both. The multi-faced character became also the basis for classification the material. The exceptional facet of the work has forced to create a new definition of manipulation, meeting the specific conditions; for this reason the definition says the manipulation is an implicit, intended action of the speaker, aimed at creating an intentional image of reality, parallel to the speaker's assumption that the hearer is not aware of that. The findings prove that the hearer, through the intended actions of the speaker becomes persuaded to perceive information mindlessly and to treat it as if it was the real event. It might be said that it is a specific kind of enslavement that imposing on a viewer the specific line of interpretation of presented events, at the same time does not give her/him the possibility of other analysis.

#### Grażyna Sawicka

## The concept of linguistic continuum

The author in her explanation of the linguistic continuum invokes the concept of mathematical and physical continuum (broadly considered by Henri Poincare's publication).

The author argues that language, as a natural phenomenon, is characterised by similar structure and methods of usage as other continua in the universe. As such, it is also subject to certain conventionalisation. Application of the continuum concept makes it possible to capture the language system as a whole.

### Zdzisława Staszewska

## Reflection of human pursuance of perfection expressed in Modlitwy Wacława

The presentation of people pursuing there desire for perfection reflected in specific language used in *Modlitwy Waclawa* [Waclaw's prayers] brings attention to its various aspects isolated in individual sub-systems. Lexical reflection of this spiritual development of medieval man are individual laxems and phareological structures in a variety of semantic fields (for example: righteousness, love, truth, happiness and salvation), which are analysed in this article.

### Katarzyna Wołowska

# Paradox as a reversal of values in the interpretation perspective of F. Rastier's text semantics

Axiological aspect of the statement is revealed fully only after the analysis of the entire discourse is complete. The categories of values are difficult to capture: their boundaries are indistinct, they are of gradual nature, which is situated somewhere between individual and social dimension.

This is why evaluation often leads to paradoxical statements based, for example, on repeating the same sentences with identical of modified meaning in various contexts (especially at macro-generic level).