



Afro-Linguistics and Cameroonian Language Structures: An African Perspective

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Abstract

Afro-Linguistics is a branch of linguistics that studies African languages from an African perspective. Cameroon, with its diverse linguistic landscape, offers rich material for such research. This survey research employs a qualitative approach to gather data from existing linguistic studies and academic literature. It aims to identify commonalities and unique characteristics within the Cameroonian language structures. The findings indicate that while Cameroon's Bantu-speaking communities share some grammatical features with other African languages, they exhibit distinct patterns in verb morphology and noun classification systems. This study contributes to the Afro-Linguistics field by highlighting specific linguistic characteristics of Cameroonian languages that are not widely documented. These insights can inform broader African language studies. Future research should focus on longitudinal studies to track changes within these language structures over time and cross-cultural comparisons to understand influence dynamics.

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