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Molchanova S.E. The specific nature of usage of copulative discourse connectors in the dialogue

The article is devoted to disclosing and description of the main peculiarities of copulative discourse connectors in the dialogue. In this type of discourse the units under consideration express six types of copulative connection: addition, consequence, cause, change of the subject, sequence, explanation. Within these six types their subtypes are considered and illustrated with apt examples. The analysis is conducted as to the capacity of the discourse connectors to express various types and subtypes of copulative connection in the dialogue in its comparison to the prose. The discovered differences are explained and exemplified. The set of copulative discourse connectors in the dialogue is determined and analyzed. The grounds for the specific nature of their usage in this type of discourse are brought to light.

<u>Key words:</u> dialogue type of discourse, discourse connectors, types of connection relations at the discourse level, subtypes.

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