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Abstract:

Dissertation is divided into an introduction, 4 chapters and a conclusion. The first chapter deals with the theoretical background of the definition of the clause given by various linguists as well as the difference between clause and other relevant terms such as speech, locution, sentence, and phrase. A special attention is given to the subordinate clause in Swahili as well as to its structure and types. The second chapter tackles the structure and grammatical functions of the relative clause in Swahili and its pattern in Swahili press articles. The third chapter highlights the conditional clause in Swahili as well as its structure, grammatical functions, patterns and frequency in contemporary Swahili press articles. The fourth chapter covers the structure, grammatical functions and patterns of the causative Clause in Swahili contemporary press articles.

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Subordinate clause; Swahili; Speech; Locution; Sentence; Phrase; Immediate constituents; Relative clause; Conditional; Cause; Structure; Grammatical functions; Patterns; Frequency.