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ABSTRACT

This research carried out a pragmatic study of edo proverbs on women. This research sought to answer two key questions, namely: What is the perception of women as reflected in the proverb? In what context are the proverbs used? The research used Relevance theory to analyse the data. Thirty proverbs on woman in Edo language were selected and analyzed in four categories, namely: the woman as a daughter; the woman as a wife; the woman as a female; the woman as a mother. The result revealed that women are seen as essential and important to the Edo people. The study also finds out that there is a minimal degree of derogatory proverbs on women in Edo language. The research also revealed that women are strong, zealous and hardworking as they are saddled with the responsibility of making and maintaining the home, birthing and caring for children as well as taking care of the husband. The data for this study are sourced from both primary and secondary data collection.