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ABSTRACT

This research work focused on the Error Analysis of *The Palm-wine Drinkard*. The study examined the various errors made in the text and provided the Standard English equivalents. It also classified those errors under types, causes and sources. Despite the fact that various works had been done on *The Palm-wine Drinkard*, a detailed analysis of the errors in the text, using Corder's Error Analysis Framework, has not been exhaustively attempted. The research design is case study with qualitative descriptive approach. The result of this research cannot be used to represent or judge the other works of Amos Tutuola as this research is a case study. After this research was concluded, the researcher found out the basic errors made in the text which include, errors of omission, addition, misformation, misordering, tautology and mother-tongue interference. These errors were mostly caused by language transfer, interference and carelessness. The significance of this study lies in its contribution to the body of knowledge on error analysis by using Amos Tutuola's *The Palm-Wine Drinkard*. It can also serve as a reference point for further research on error analysis.