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**UNIPERSONAL AND ONE-MEMBER SENTENCES IN
D.DEMIRCHYAN'S WORKS**

Unipersonal one-member sentences are subtypes of verbal one-member sentences. In the present article these types of sentences are examined from the standpoint of the grammatical form of the principal member. As a language source material, D. Demirchyan's works are used. Unipersonal (impersonal) one-member sentences are classified under two groups: verbal and nominal, the latter types are reviewed according to different semantic groups.

Keywords: verbal one-member sentence, unipersonal sentences, independent and combined sentences, sentence-forming patterns.

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**HOW OUR LANGUAGE SHAPES WHO WE ARE: LANGUAGE AND
WORLDVIEW MOLDING**

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In this article we investigate the intricate relationship between a person's native language and their sense of self with a specific emphasis on the practical implications of this complex interaction. Our goal is to shed light on the profound impact that one's mother tongue has on the formation of personal and group identities. Furthermore, we reflect on the practical importance of understanding this connection in diverse societal contexts.

Keywords: diverse forms, identity, to intertwine, interactions, intercultural communication, to enhance empathy, cohesion, resilience.

Language, through its diverse forms and expressions, plays a central role in how individuals perceive, experience, and express their surroundings. It extends beyond mere communication, intricately intertwining with human identity, influencing our self-perception and interactions with others. Scholars across various fields, including Linguistics, Psychology, Anthropology and Sociology, have been captivated by the profound impact of one's native language on their sense of self for quite some time.

Our linguistic identity undergoes constant change, adapting as we interact with the intricate relationship between language and the socio-cultural contexts surrounding us. For individuals whose mother tongue is Armenian, this interaction possesses distinctive traits that symbolize the Armenian culture and heritage.

Armenian, with its unique linguistic attributes and rich historical background, serves a role beyond communication; it acts as a repository of cultural identity, linking individuals to a shared history and enabling the global Armenian community to shape its collective identity.

Study Objectives: this scientific investigation sets out to accomplish several primary goals: *examining cognitive aspects:* we aim to explore the cognitive dimensions involved in the formation of linguistic identity, investigating how the Armenian language influences the thought processes, cognitive patterns, and worldviews of its native speakers. *Investigating Socio-Cultural Dynamics:* our study seeks to analyze the socio-cultural facets of language and identity, examining how speaking Armenian contributes to feelings of belonging, shared heritage, and the preservation of culture within the Armenian community. *Understanding Psychological Implications:* our objective is to uncover the psychological effects of our native language on personal identity, self-concept, emotional experiences, and the unique challenges and benefits of maintaining linguistic ties within multicultural settings. Though sometimes it's not that easy to do.

Practical Significance: recognizing how native language plays a role in shaping identity holds substantial practical significance in our increasingly diverse and interconnected global society. This knowledge can have far-reaching implications in various areas, including: *Education:* insights into the connection between language and identity can inform language education policies and practices, promoting the preservation of linguistic diversity and fostering cultural awareness among students.

Intercultural Communication: acknowledging the influence of native language on identity can lead to more effective intercultural communication, reducing potential misunderstandings and enhancing cross-cultural empathy.

Community Strengthening: for diaspora communities, preserving native languages such as Armenian is crucial for maintaining a sense of cultural heritage and unity. This study investigates how language contributes to community cohesion and resilience. In the subsequent sections, we will delve into each of these objectives, drawing upon multidisciplinary research to provide a comprehensive understanding of how our native language, in this case, Armenian, profoundly shapes our identities and the practical implications of this phenomenon in today's globalized world.

Nowadays it is very important to understand the direct connection between the language, words, our thoughts, our feelings, beliefs and our reality. The

recurrent events (genocides, wars) highlight the significance of going deep into this issue to an extent that allows us to follow the following principle: 1. our thoughts are at the base, 2. then come our feelings which prompt us whether the thought has been correct, of course, if we feel certain comfort 3. feelings produce words 4. words lead to actions 5. in case of repeated actions we deal with our character 6. this or that kind of character shapes our destiny, so, if we are not satisfied with our destiny, we should go back through this chain and start with positive thinking. E. Shils states the following: “We are concerned not with solving problems, but with clarifying feelings. These congruities of blood, speech, custom, and so on, are seen to have an ineffable, and at times overpowering, coerciveness in and of themselves” [1].

In contemporary society, it is of paramount importance to delve into the profound interplay between language, words, and our perception of reality. The recurrence of catastrophic events such as genocides and wars underscores the critical significance of comprehending this connection. To approach this matter with scientific rigor, it is imperative to adopt a framework grounded in Cognitive Psychology and Linguistics. This framework delineates a sequence of interconnected steps.

Cognitive Foundations: the foundation of this chain lies in our cognitive processes. Thoughts, originating in the intricate neural networks of our brains, serve as the initial building blocks of our perception of reality. Understanding the cognitive mechanisms underpinning thought formation is crucial.

Emotional Evaluation: subsequent to the generation of thoughts, our emotional responses come into play. These emotions act as evaluators, determining the alignment of our thoughts with our beliefs and values. Correct thoughts often elicit a sense of emotional comfort, while discordant ones provoke discomfort.

Linguistic Expression: feelings, whether positive or negative, are then translated into words and language. This step is pivotal as it bridges the internal cognitive realm with the external world. Linguistic expression enables us to communicate our thoughts and emotions to others.

Behavioral Manifestation: words, as powerful tools, drive actions. Uttered or written words can inspire or provoke individuals and communities to engage in various behaviors. It is essential to examine the behavioral consequences of linguistic expression in different contexts.

Character Development: the cumulative effect of repeated actions shapes our character. Character encompasses the traits, values, and moral compass that

guide our decisions and actions. Investigating the long-term impact of linguistic expression and behavior on character development is a multidisciplinary endeavor.

Destiny Formation: ultimately, our character shapes our destiny. The path we tread in life, the opportunities we seize or miss, and the outcomes we experience are intricately linked to our character. A scientific inquiry should explore how character traits influence the trajectory of one's life. In cases where individuals find themselves dissatisfied with their destiny, a scientific approach suggests revisiting this chain of causation.

Clifford Geertz in “The Interpretation of Cultures” provides us with a very bright thought which says: “Our ideas, our values, our acts, even our emotions, are, like our nervous system itself, cultural products-products manufactured, indeed, out of tendencies, capacities, and dispositions with which we were born, but manufactured nonetheless” [2].

Our native language, Armenian, holds a significant role in shaping our identity, much like any other language. The intricate relationship between language and identity can be explored from various aspects.

Intergenerational Connections: language often traverses generations. Speaking Armenian links us to our family and ancestors, honoring our heritage and preserving a connection with those who came before us.

Cultural Treasure: the Armenian language embodies a wealth of literature, poetry, and historical documents. As a native speaker, you have direct access to this rich cultural heritage, further reinforcing your sense of identity.

Identity Challenges: in certain cases, individuals who speak a minority language, such as Armenian, may encounter identity challenges in multicultural societies where the dominant language differs. Balancing our Armenian identity with the necessity to communicate in the dominant language of our environment can present complex facets of our identity. Embracing and preserving our native language can lead to a deeper connection with our culture and heritage, as well as a heightened sense of self.

Cultural heritage plays a central role in shaping an individual's sense of self, and language often serves as the cornerstone of this bond. In the context of Armenian culture, our native language, Armenian, emerges as a potent medium for the preservation and transmission of the rich cultural legacy of the Armenian people. It transcends mere communication, encapsulating centuries of historical narratives, customs, traditions, and deeply ingrained values that are integral to Armenian cultural identity. Scholars in various academic disciplines have extensively explored the intricate relationship between language and cultural

heritage. In their works, authors such as Edward Sapir and Benjamin Lee Whorf, notably discussed in their book "Language, Thought, and Reality" [3] have emphasized the profound role of language as a conduit for cultural identity. Their influential theory, known as the Sapir-Whorf hypothesis, posits that language not only mirrors but also actively shapes an individual's perception and cognition. This concept becomes particularly pertinent when considering how speaking Armenian can cultivate a profound connection to the rich tapestry of Armenian cultural heritage. For instance, within the Armenian language lies a rich lexicon related to traditional crafts, gastronomy, and rituals, which serves as a living testament to the enduring cultural heritage embedded in the language. Furthermore, language and cultural practices are inextricably intertwined. Linguistic anthropologists, as exemplified in the research of scholars such as Clifford Geertz in "The Interpretation of Cultures," [3] have illuminated how language plays a pivotal role in cultural performances, religious ceremonies, and storytelling within various communities. Within the Armenian context, the use of the Armenian language is indispensable in the enactment of rituals, including weddings, funerals, and religious observances. These linguistic traditions not only mirror Armenian cultural heritage but actively contribute to its perpetuation and resilience. Language also serves as a conduit for the intergenerational transmission of cultural values and norms. Speaking Armenian facilitates the passage not only of linguistic skills but also of cultural knowledge, family histories, and collective memories.

Armenian culture boasts a profound richness and diversity.

Communal Bonds and Social Networks: Armenian communities, whether located in Armenia or scattered across the diaspora, offer a robust foundation for belonging. These close-knit groups frequently convene for social gatherings, religious observances, and cultural festivities.

Navigating Challenges and Diaspora Identity: For some Armenians in the diaspora, the sense of belonging can be multifaceted. They may experience a dual connection, one to their host country and its culture, and another to their Armenian heritage. This dual identity can be both enriching and complex to navigate. It is essential to recognize that individuals within any cultural or ethnic group may possess diverse experiences and viewpoints regarding their sense of belonging. While the aforementioned factors represent common themes, they may not encompass the entirety of the Armenian experience, and personal perspectives can vary widely. Furthermore, the concept of belonging is dynamic and subject to evolution over time, shaped by cultural, social, and individual transformations.

Personal identity, a philosophical and psychological concept, is not inherently tied to a particular language like Armenian. It delves into the inquiry of what defines an individual as a distinctive and unbroken entity throughout their existence. This exploration encompasses aspects of the self, such as consciousness, memory, and self-awareness. Although discussions regarding personal identity can occur in any language, they do not pertain exclusively to any one language. Rather, they form part of the wider realms of philosophy and psychology.

The Armenian language holds a revered position as an invaluable cultural treasure, serving as both a testament to the deep heritage and unyielding resilience of the Armenian people. Rooted in the 5th century, its unique alphabet transcends mere linguistic elegance; it serves as a profound repository encapsulating the very essence of the nation's history, literary accomplishments, and collective identity. Far more than a mere mode of communication, the Armenian language stands as a living testament to the fortitude and determination of a people who have confronted countless challenges across their storied past. Within the intricate script of its characters, a chronicle of Armenia's history is inscribed, with each word and sentence resonating the narratives of forebears, the adversities they endured, and the triumphs they celebrated. It is a language that has not only endured the trials of time but also carries the weight of centuries of culture, tradition, and knowledge. This unique alphabet, characterized by its graceful curves and distinctive angles, symbolizes not only the source of Armenian pride but also a representation of their enduring connection to their ancestral roots. It embodies the very essence of a civilization that has made profound contributions to the realms of art, literature, and science—contributions that continue to shape the world today. The Armenian language's rich literary tradition, stretching back through the ages, has given birth to masterpieces that have resonated with audiences worldwide, further enhancing its cultural significance. Moreover, the Armenian language serves as a conduit bridging generations, fostering a sense of continuity and belonging. It provides the means for grandparents to impart their wisdom to grandchildren, preserving age-old traditions, values, and customs passed down through the generations. In this manner, it plays a vital role in fortifying the bonds within Armenian families and communities, ensuring the legacy of the past is faithfully carried forward into the future.

Identity challenges related to the Armenian language are multifaceted, reflecting the intersection of language, culture, and heritage. This complex issue is encountered not only by Armenia but by numerous other nations as well. These challenges, stemming from historical, political, and cultural factors, carry

significant implications for individuals and the wider Armenian community. Here, we delve into an examination of these multifarious challenges.

Language Preservation: among the primary identity challenges lies the imperative of preserving the Armenian language. Armenia's historical events and economic factors have led to diaspora and emigration, intensifying the struggle to sustain fluency and generational continuity in Armenian. The younger generations in the Armenian diaspora often confront external pressures to assimilate into their host countries, resulting in language attrition and a gradual erosion of their proficiency in the Armenian language.

Language Diversity: Armenian exhibits various dialects, with Eastern and Western Armenian being the most prominent. The distinction between these dialects introduces additional identity complexities. For instance, Western Armenians may encounter difficulties in accessing resources and literature in their dialect, given that the majority of Armenians today speak Eastern Armenian, which serves as the official language of Armenia.

Globalization and Cultural Influences: the influence of globalized media and popular culture, primarily in languages such as English, presents a formidable challenge to the preservation of the Armenian language and the associated cultural identity. The allure of Western culture can lead younger generations towards linguistic assimilation and cultural adaptation.

Identity and Nationalism: the Armenian language is intricately interwoven with the broader fabric of Armenian identity and nationalism. Identity challenges manifest when individuals, both within the Armenian diaspora and in Armenia itself, grapple with questions of identity and belonging. Some may experience a sense of disconnection from their Armenian heritage or navigate identity crises as they seek their place in the global context.

Education and Language Policies: language policies within Armenia and the Armenian diaspora exert a significant influence on how the Armenian language is taught and promoted. Disparities in access to high-quality Armenian language education can have a profound impact on language retention and fluency.

Linguistic Revival Efforts: despite these formidable challenges, concerted efforts are underway to breathe new life into the Armenian language. These initiatives span both Armenia and diaspora communities and encompass programs focused on language preservation, cultural revitalization, and the active promotion of Armenian as an indispensable component of identity. So, the Armenian language stands as a central pillar of Armenian identity. Yet, it faces numerous trials, including the forces of globalization, pressures toward assimilation, and the

diversity of dialects. To tackle these multifaceted challenges, a delicate equilibrium must be maintained, preserving linguistic and cultural heritage while also adapting to the evolving dynamics of the modern world.

Our identity constitutes a core element of our being, both individuals and participants within various communities and societies. Recognizing the significance of understanding our identity is imperative for a multitude of compelling reasons. They empower us to pinpoint areas in our lives where improvements or alterations are sought, galvanizing us to take affirmative action. In summation, recognizing our identity is indispensable for personal development, self-embrace, harmonious relationships, and purposeful engagement with the world. It confers upon us a sense of direction, fortitude, and the capacity to navigate the intricate tapestry of life with authenticity and assurance.

Understanding the history of linguistic research and contributions from different regions and scholars helps us appreciate the evolution of linguistic thought. Learning about scholars from diverse backgrounds, including Armenian scientists, enriches our understanding of the multifaceted nature of language and identity studies. Armenian scholars' (Hrachya Acharyan, Vahan Sargsyan, Levon Abrahamian, Nina G. Garsoian) works can provide insights into the linguistic and cultural diversity of Armenia and its neighboring regions, contributing to cross-cultural understanding. Acknowledging the contributions of scholars from different backgrounds can inspire future generations to delve into the study of language, identity, and related fields. While specific Armenian contributions to the topic of language and identity might be limited, the broader context of linguistic research and cultural preservation within Armenia and the Armenian diaspora is certainly worth exploring and appreciating.

The comprehension of our identity and the impact of language on our existence enriches our lives across numerous dimensions. It empowers us to lead lives that are authentic, fosters more profound relationships, provides a sense of purpose, and equips us to navigate life's trials with resilience. Furthermore, it fosters the preservation of cultural diversity, encourages cross-cultural understanding, and facilitates personal growth, thereby contributing to a more interconnected and harmonious world.

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КАК НАШ ЯЗЫК ФОРМИРУЕТ НАС: ЯЗЫК И ФОРМИРОВАНИЕ МИРОВОЗЗРЕНИЯ

Исследуется сложная взаимосвязь между родным языком человека и его самоощущением. Особое внимание уделяется практическим последствиям этого сложного взаимодействия. Цель работы - пролить свет на глубокое влияние, которое родной язык оказывает на формирование личной и групповой идентичности. Кроме того, рассматривается практическая важность понимания этой связи в различных социальных контекстах.

Ключевые слова: разнообразные национальные формы, идентичность, переплетение, взаимодействие, межкультурная коммуникация, усиление эмпатии, сплоченность, жизнестойкость.