

CORRELATIVE ELEMENTS IN MODERN GERMAN THE *ES* LINGUISTIC PHENOMENON

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Abstract. The present paperwork focuses on the investigation of a language phenomenon through linguistic means, less researched by specialists in recent times and still not clarified. The central theme is the category of the correlative *es*, a lexical element which raises learning issues to the Romanian language speaker and even to a German native speaker, especially when he/she has to decide if and in what cases its mentioning is compulsory or facultative. The carried out research has the objective to show the classes and functions of the *es* entity. Given its multiple functions within various sentences (taking the form of a discourse of assertive, declarative, ascertaining, interrogative, etc. type), it is updated and manifests itself in distinct ways.

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