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ABSTRACT

This thesis is a study of the groups of words used in the Northeastern Thai Dialect(Ubonratchathani). They are called idioms for this study. These idioms are used in a stereotypical by native speakers of Northeastern Thai.

The thesis is divided into five chapters. The first chapter is an introduction explaining the importance of the study. The second chapter analyzes the structure of the idioms. The third chapter discusses the types and functions of the idioms. The fourth chapter describes the meaning the idioms. The fifth chapter summarizes the conclusion of this study. At the end of the thesis is an appendix consisting of all the idioms used in this study.

This study analyses the construction of group of words which are the idiom function like words; they can be nouns, verbs, adjectives or adverbs. There are two styles of meaning. First, the meaning refers to some actual word that makes up the idiom. Second, the meaning refers to a combination of words.

The idioms are derived from the folklore of the Northeastern Thai People.