Abstract

The purpose of this paper is to examine the problem of referring to that language variety known as English for Science and Technology... Scientific English and Technical English, are some other expressions used in English. In Spanish, it is possible to find inglés técnico or inglés científico-técnico... It is interesting to note that, although most of the teaching related to Science and Technology takes place in Engineering Schools and Universities, the term engineering is rarely used. This paper discusses the different meanings and uses of the terms science, technique and technology and the adjectives scientific and technical in English and Spanish. Besides, it aims to explain the reasons for the different uses in both languages. Finally, this paper argues that the use of the Spanish adjective científico-técnico seems to be the most appropriate term for referring to language and texts when they are related to the fields of applied science, engineering and technology.

Keywords

English for science and technology, scientific And technical english, terminology.