

Study about relation between environmental resources and environmental images found in school songs.

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Abstract:

The purpose of this study is to clarify the Environmental Images of Wakayama Prefecture by analyzing the song of 520 schools there, and to show analyzing technique what compares present school songs with previous ones.

We have Environmental Images when we recognize landscapes.

As we sing songs, we gradually become familiar with the meaning of the songs. And most of the residents around the Lake Biwa know “Biwako Syuko Song” which describes landscape around Lake Biwa. So we can grasp Environmental Image by analyzing words of songs.

I have found that Environmental Images of Wakayama Prefecture are “mountainous area” and “little plain”. Besides the primary Environmental Image of northern Wakayama is “Kinokawa River”, and that of southern Wakayama is “ocean”.