A propos du verbe traduire et du nom traduction

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Abstract: This paper deals with the main semantic and syntactic properties of the verb *traduire* 'to translate' and of the noun *traduction* 'translation'. First, the different meanings of these two words will be outlined, in French and in other languages; it will be shown that the Husserlian notion of "ideal object" is essential to give a real account of the linguistic properties of the noun *traduction* when it denotes a text translated from one language into another; furthermore, the notion of ideality is important for the study of many nouns of music or language and might be extended to the domain of fine arts.

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