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## LINGUISTIC AND SOCIAL FEATURES OF SLANG

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This article deals with the study of the features of the youth slang using in modern English language. The aim of the article is to analyze the usage of slang expressions among young generation. The definition of slang begins to attract attention of modern philology. Now there is rather large number of the definitions of slang which are quite often contradicting each other. The authors claim, that the Russian slang has a huge number of English borrowings. This article is devoted to the analysis of a concept of a youth slang of the modern English. Relevance of our research is that the youth slang is in continuous development. Modern slang in English, being an integral part of language, represents one of the most urgent and contradictory problems of

the modern lexicology. This research promotes a solution of the problem of determination, an entity and the main distinctive features of the studied phenomenon.

Key words: Social group, Youth slang, Linguistic features, English language, phraseology units, characteristics, visibility, parameters

# Абстракт

Данная статья посвящена изучению особенностей употребления молодежного сленга в современном английском языке. Цель статьи - проанализировать употребление сленговых выражений среди молодого поколения. Определение сленга начинает привлекать внимание

современная филология. В настоящее время существует достаточно большое количество определений сленга, нередко противоречащих друг другу. Авторы утверждают, что русский сленг имеет огромное количество английских заимствований. Данная статья посвящена анализу одного



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понятие молодежного сленга современного английского языка. Актуальность нашего исследования заключается в том, что молодежный сленг находится в постоянном развитии. Современный сленг в английском языке, являясь неотъемлемой частью языка, представляет собой одну из самых актуальных и противоречивых проблем

современная лексикология. Данное исследование способствует решению проблемы детерминации сущности и основных отличительных признаков изучаемого явления.

**Ключевые слова:** Социальная группа, молодежный сленг, языковые особенности, английский язык, фразеологические единицы, характеристика, узнаваемость, параметры.

#### **Izoh**

Ushbu maqola zamonaviy ingliz tilida qo'llaniladigan yoshlar jargonining xususiyatlarini o'rganish bilan bog'liq. Maqolaning maqsadi yosh avlod o'rtasida jargon iboralarning qo'llanilishini tahlil qilishdir. Argoning ta'rifi e'tiborni jalb qila boshlaydi

zamonaviy filologiya. Endi jargon ta'riflarining juda ko'p soni mavjud bo'lib, ular ko'pincha bir-biriga zid keladi. Mualliflarning ta'kidlashicha, rus tilidagi jaranglar juda ko'p inglizcha qarzlarga ega. Ushbu maqola a tahliliga bag'ishlangan zamonaviy ingliz tilidagi yoshlar jarangi tushunchasi. Tadqiqotimizning dolzarbligi shundaki, yoshlar jarangi doimiy rivojlanishda. Ingliz tilidagi zamonaviy jargon tilning ajralmas qismi bo'lib, eng dolzarb va qarama-qarshi muammolardan biridir. zamonaviy leksikologiya. Ushbu tadqiqot o'rganilayotgan hodisaning aniqlanishi, borligi va asosiy o'ziga xos xususiyatlari muammosini hal qilishga yordam beradi.

Kalit soʻzlar: Ijtimoiy guruh, Yoshlar jargoni, Til xususiyatlari, ingliz tili, frazeologizmlar, xususiyatlar, koʻrinish, parametrlar

## INTRODUCTION

Slang is kind of speech variety. Speech variety, or language variety, refers to any distinguishable form of speech used by a speaker or a group of speakers. Linguistic





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features of a speech variety can be found at the lexical, the phonological, the morphological, or the syntactical level of the language. The last several decades rates of development of certain spheres of public life have repeatedly accelerated in comparison with the previous periods. These processes have caused certain changes in a lexicon of the certain countries as language is inseparable from culture. All events which cover society influence live development of informal conversation, receive a response in languages of the world and add new phrases and expressions to the modern vocabulary. In each sector of society for colloquial communication between participants the insignificant number of the expressions which are attributes of this contingent of people – the lexicon, a slang is used at least. It arises in one group of people, but at the same time extends within all class of society. The study of word origins enjoyed considerable popularity in the past, and etymologies, a traditional component of a dictionary entry, were often hotly debated, even though 'the amateurs who, as late as 1900, filled the pages of popular journals with their conjectures on word origins, had no idea that they should have used their time reading rather than writing'. New borrowing words appeared by the development of world trade, the international tourism, cultural connections. The youth is an integral part of any society, irrespective of his intrinsic characteristics. It represents the social and demographic group united on certain signs: to age, the social status and social and psychological properties, and the youth culture is among the particularly complex phenomena. The youth culture is one of consequences of process of socialization in general and cultural in particular. Its social and psychological sources are in aspiration of youth in general and its certain representatives to consciousness, self-affirmation, self-expression and self-realization. These natural aspirations not always get necessary support. The main aspiration of youth subculture practically always is fixing of the most important for them of world outlook concepts of a bright expressional form, perhaps, unclear for the most people in society. Use of slang in the speech of teenagers gives it beauty and emotionality, according to young people. Teenagers use also an English-speaking slang which sometimes is clear only to youth for expression of the thoughts.



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#### **METHODS**

Slang is one of the most interesting and at the same time difficult phenomena of language. Many researchers usually carry a slang to social dialects. The dialect in this context is the territorial, temporary or social kind of language. In the English lexicography the term "slang" was widely

adopted approximately at the beginning of the last century. The etymology of the word "slang" also is disputable. Slang – the complex, difficult and inevitable language phenomenon. Its emergence is always caused by historical, social and cultural tendencies of life of this or that language community. Slang is the diction that results from the favorite game among the young and lively of playing with words and renaming things and actions; some invent new words, or mutilate or misapply the old, for the pleasure of novelty, and others catch up such words for the pleasure of being in the fashion. These similes are so novel and vivid that they can't be made without good imagination, while think-machine (brain), sparkler (diamond), pickers (hands), canned music (musical disk) are more vivid and expressive. Sometimes slang words are invented by a few people for the pleasure of novelty and imitated by others who like to be in fashion. Many of the slang words coined during the Second World War have passed out of use along with the events that called them into life.

The slang is interesting not only from the point of view of the linguistic theory, but also from a translation theory position. The slang of young people in Russia covers almost all spheres of life. The slang is concentrated on the person – spheres of his life, the relations with other people. The contribution of slang in enriching language; a short of real representation of the dynamism of language and symbol of human freedom in creating language was an interesting phenomenon to be analyzed. The slang expression means coming to democratic atmosphere in language since the meaning embodied is not absolute. It depends upon who uses it, in which group the users belong to, and in what situation slang word occur. The question emerged is how the user of slang employ slang in their daily communication. Their choice of certain slang replacing the standard may have a certain purpose.

The Internet, its opportunities, quickly developing computer technologies always attracted young people. Today, the English slang plays a major role in daily communication among the teenagers. The slang has been shaped and reshaped by







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different culture and the emergence of technology which become a phenomenon of the language development.

#### **RESULTS**

In our research we speak about use of the English youth slang among the Russian youth, feature of the transfer of English to the Russian slang, its factors, development of slang in Russia. In system of modern Russian and English languages the slang takes very important place. The conducted research has shown that the slang isn't the literary language, it is characterized by familiar coloring. The slang is divided into two groups: common and well-known slang. The slang of the Russian youth has a big variety of shades and many words are unclear for population. It is possible to note such characteristic of a slang as common knowledge and wide common use. There is no accurate and one definition of a slang now.

## **DISCUSSION**

Thus, the reasons of increase in a share of slang in the speech of the modern teenager belongs:

- 1. Social factors;
- 2. The importance of the language for communication with peers;
- 3. Influence of media (reading newspapers and youth magazines, viewing of telecasts), Internet resources.

Out of doubts the youth slang comes under considerable influence of English. Specific features of the use of borrowing in the speech of teenagers which have been revealed during the research, unfortunately, generally have negative character. Often students consider equivalents of the Russian words that give negative characteristic of our native speech become more fashionable and brighter. And all this in spite of the fact that Russian is one of the most expressive languages in the world. Anyway, we won't be able to stop process of borrowing and distribution of foreign words until we begin to create something unique.



**CONCLUSION** 



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At the moment influence of English on Russian, and first of all on a youth slang, has very wide circulation. The set of the words connected with various spheres of interests, an occupation, the field of policy and economy has come from English to us. As it has become clear, often borrowings concern to various groups of formation. The data obtained during the research confirm the assumption

of wide use of anglicisms. The youth slang in most cases represents the English borrowings or phonetic associations. Always it is necessary to show consideration for attraction of foreign words and furthermore when this process has such high speed.

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