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LITERATURE STUDY

S.N. Andreev

Competition of Types of Description in Long Poems by A.S. Pushkin

Key words: *statics; dynamics; verses; proportion; noun; verb; adjective; statistical significance.*

The article studies static and dynamic types of description in verses. Proportions of verbs against nouns and adjectives against nouns are analyzed, using the methods, suggested by G. Altmann and his colleagues. The study is based on the verse texts of ten long poems by A.S. Pushkin.

M.S. Balikova

Fine Arts in D.S. Merezhkovsky's Literary-Critical Essays of the 1880–1890s

Key words: *Merezhkovsky; literary criticism; Fine Arts.*

The article discusses the early literary-critical works of Merezhkovsky, created along with his book «Constant Companions». The author focuses on the metaphor of Fine Arts which pervades Merezhkovsky's essays of the specified period and is manifested in the form of detailed comparisons of poets, writers, critics with artists, sculptors, architects and their texts with works of the Fine Arts. The desire of Merezhkovsky for promotion to the national-mental and ideological levels and comprehension of these areas through the analysis of works of painting and architecture is also discussed.

A.A. Chevtaev

«Roman» «Double Structure» in the Early Poetry by O. Mandelstam: Identity and Antinomies

Key words: *«double structure»; Ancient Rome; lyrical subject; lyrical plot; point of view; narrative; artistic time; artistic space.*

Structural-semantic similarities and differences of the poems «Kogda derzhals'a Rim v sojuze s jestesstvom...» (1914) and «Priroda – tot zhe Rim i otrazilas' v n'om...» (1914) by O. Mandelstam, representing crucial ideologemes of the poet's early works, is examined in the present article. These texts, forming peculiar «double structure», constitute two versions of reflective comprehension by Mandelstam of the opposition «nature – culture» which constituted the main poetic topic of the period of his book of poetry «Kamen'». Initial point of plot deployment of each of the poems, revealing obvious similarities, gets contrary vectors of the semantic self-presentation of lyrical subject and produces conceptual understanding of the value of inviolability of human «self» in the universe, the integrity of which is ensured by awareness and creative recognition of one's own place in the indivisible world order.

V.V. Kolobov
«New world» of A.T. Tvardovsky through the Eyes of a Poet-Contemporary
(Based on the Diary of A.V. Zhigulin)

Key words: *Zhigulin; Tvardovsky; diary; magazine «New world»; the history of Russian literature.*

The paper examines the diary entries of an outstanding poet, writer, former prisoner of Stalin's camps, Anatoly Vladimirovich Zhigulin (1930–2000), relating to the history of the magazine «New world», popular in the years of the «thaw», and its editor-in-chief Alexander Trifonovich Tvardovsky (1910–1971). According to A.V. Zhigulin, Tvardovsky's «New world» with its uncompromising publications contributed to the spiritual and moral revival of the country as well as genuine flourishing of Russian literature and journalism in the second half of the twentieth century.

I.S. Leonov
Pastor and Congregation in the Parish Russian Prose of the XXI Century: the Specificity of the Interaction

Key words: *modern Orthodox literature; parish prose; pastor; congregation; Church environment; sacrament.*

The article deals with the poetics of modern parish prose. On the basis of novels and short stories of writers-clergymen: Alexander Shanaev, Alexis Lisnyak, and Sava Mikhalevich the author explores the characteristics of the relationship between the pastor and the congregation, identifies the main features of the characters, reveals the contexts which reflect the causes and nature of both mutual estrangement and rapprochement between priest and the members of the congregation. The paper analyses the situations of the first appearance of the pastor in the parish Church, the significant dates of Church calendar and special worship services.

LINGUISTICS

A.B. Chernyshev
Correlative Semantics of English Prepositions:
Fragment «Motion in the Direction»

Key words: *preposition; contact; purposefulness; activity; motion; correlate*

The article deals with the semantics of the English prepositions representing a fragment «motion to the direction». Characteristics constituting this fragment are derived. Some distinctive characteristics of English prepositions 'to, at, in, towards, for' are revealed. As a result of comparative analysis, the preposition 'to' is defined as a language unit, whose cognitive model reflects in the maximal degree the main parameters of motion as it is viewed from the point of view of human perception. These two parameters include activity and purposefulness.

Y.A. Kondratenkova

Irony in the Russian Translations of Leacock's Short Story «How to avoid getting married»

Key words: *irony; means of expression; Leacock; short story; translation.*

The article deals with the language means of irony expression and the problem of irony translation from English into Russian in Leacock's story «How to avoid getting married». The author compares two translations from the standpoint of adequate interpretation of irony verbalized at different text levels.

I.O. Baburchenkova

Quantitative Analysis of Variability of Style of W. Blake

Key words: *stylometry; individual style; metaphor; William Blake; poetry.*

The article is devoted to the quantitative analysis of the individual style of William Blake. Lyrics are analyzed; intensity of the correlations of concepts is established, the main tendencies in the author's metaphorization and the main patterns of variability of the author's metaphor creation in dynamic aspect are determined.

V.S. Degtyareva

**The Intertextuality of Fairy-Tale Discourse: the Universal and the Ethnic-Specific
(on the Material of German and Russian Languages)**

Key words: *intertextuality; fairy-tale discourse; conceptual sphere; language representations.*

The article deals with the incorporation of fairy-tale discourse in a variety of text types on the material of German and Russian languages. In order to identify similarities and differences of mechanisms of intertextuality usage, political, sport, media, etc. discourses are analyzed.

G.A. Lebedenko

**Self-Presentation Strategy in the Speech of Junior School Students
(on the Material of Situations with Forms of Address)**

Key words: *forms of address; discourse; junior school student; components of speech act; communicative purpose of speech; self-presentation; communicative strategy; communicative tactics.*

The article is devoted to the analysis of pragmatic features of address in the speech self-presentation of German junior school students. The paper is concerned with speakers' choice of most suitable forms of address depending on characteristics of communicative situation. Four tactics of self-presentation strategy are singled out and analyzed.

ONOMASTICS AND TOPONYMY

V.I. Suprun
Onomastics in Dialectal text:
Problems of Geolinguistics, Cultural Linguistics, Ethnolinguistics

Key words: *onomastics; toponymy; anthroponymy; dialectology; geolinguistics; ethnolinguistics; regional dialect.*

The article discusses the representation of onomastic data in the materials of dialectology, geolinguistics, areal linguistics, ethnolinguistics, regional linguistics. Historical milestones are identified in the development of linguistic disciplines which study people's speech, especially the implementation of various onomastic categories in them.

A.M. Mezenko
The Frequency of Godonyms as an Exponent
of Cultural and Historic Information

Key words: *viconymy; godonym; cultural information; regional onomastics, urbanonymy; frequentative analysis.*

The article studies regional prevalence and essence of frequency of urbanonyms and vikonyms as a source of cultural and historic information. It is concluded that at the end of the XXth – beginning of the XXIst century the street names which correspond to social and ideological parameters were the most frequent in the Belarusian godonymy system, and in the Polish godonymy – those related to the precedent names associated with the military and political history of Poland, literature and Art.

I.A. Koroleva
Information Content of Proper Names in Smolensk Manuscripts
of the 13-th and 14-th Centuries

Key words: *Smolensk manuscripts of the 13th–14th centuries; language history; proper name; information; linguistic; extralinguistic.*

The article considers the onomastic lexis of the first Smolensk memorials of business scripture, namely, Smolensk manuscripts of the 13th–14th centuries. The article analyses the linguistic and extralinguistic information contained in proper names making it possible to confirm scientific significance of the texts and high informational richness of the latter.

V.S. Kartavenko
Archaic Toponymic Landscape of Smolensk Region

Key words: *old Russian; record; personal name; name; written records; Smolensk region; toponym; toponymy; microtoponym.*

The article is devoted to toponyms, existing on the territory of Smolensk region according to the written records of the XVIth – the XVIIIth centuries. Lexical and semantic analysis of toponyms and microtoponyms is carried out. Semantic-etymological aspect addresses the names of the settlements established during different periods of history of the region.

O.S. Evseeva

Toponymy of the Russian-Belarusian Border Area: Ethno-Linguistic Aspect

Key words: *Smolensk-Belarusian border area; spatial code of the culture, ethnolinguistics; place names; the Russian language; the Belarusian language.*

The article is devoted to the ethnolinguistic study of the toponymy of the Russian-Belarusian border area. The paper is based on the explication of the spatial code of culture. Basic parameters are the following: «front – rear», «near – far», «top – bottom», «start – end». These parameters allow us to trace the formation and establishment of the proposed cultural code, and to consider its impact on the mentality of the inhabitants of Smolensk-Belarus border area.

V.A. Trifonenko

Semi-Official Names of Ancient Smolensk

Key words: *town; old Russian; name; toponymy; Smolensk land; toponym; semi-official toponym; official toponym; informal toponym.*

The article deals with semi-official toponyms of ancient Smolensk. The geographical names represented in the article are divided into four groups: connected with professional activities, nationality, geographical features, with the location in the city. Suffixation was the most productive way of formation of semi-official names of the districts of ancient Smolensk.

D.V. Buteev

Smolensk Oikodomonyms as a Reflection of the Soviet Era

Key words: *onomastics; informal place names; oikodomonym; Soviet period; Smolensk regional toponymy.*

The author considers informal names of Smolensk enterprises (oikoumenikos, or oikodomonyms), most of which were created and actively functioned in the Soviet era. An attempt is made to identify the causes and derivational models of their creation. It is concluded that the lexical layer, which reflects hidden trends and contradictions of the era, is an important phenomenon not only for linguistics, but also for history and culture phenomenon, as it vividly describes the whole period of life of the country.

O.P. Aldinger

**Associative and Cultural Background of Anthroponyms
in «The Proverbs of Russian people» by V.I. Dahl**

Key words: *proper name; anthroponym; phraseonym; associative and cultural background; phraseology; proverb; saying; paroemia.*

This article deals with the functioning of anthroponyms in proverbs and sayings. The linguistic and cultural significance of proper names is proved, the methods are suggested for describing the associative-cultural background of proper names which are included in the paroemia.

E.E. Guntareva
Rus – Motherland – Russia in S.A. Esenin's Poetry

Key words: *S.A. Esenin; proper name; the poet's individual style; connotation; choronym; poetic text.*

The present article deals with an important problem of proper names (PN) in an poetic text. Lyrical poetry of great Russian poet S.A. Esenin is analyzed from the point of view of choronyms, i.e. names of the Russian state at different periods of the poet's creative activity. The paper investigates the connotative component of the key choronyms necessary for the analysis of the theme «Motherland» in the names Rus – Motherland – Russia. The author also shows how Esenin's attitude to his country is conveyed via contextual connotative meaning of these PNs.

L.P. Rodionova
Precedent Names in the Modern Russian Fantasy
(Based on the Novels by A.O Belyanin)

Key words: *personal name; miphonim; precedent name; belle-letter; fantasy; Russian fairy tale; image; Belyanin.*

This article includes analysis of precedent miphonims Baba Yaga and Kaschey Bessmertny, which are traditional for Russian fairy tales and play key role in the prose of the modern Russian fantasy writer A.O. Belyanin. Attempts were made to describe and compare fairy tale images and names in the traditional fairy tale and in the text of the fantasy novel in order to reveal the associative background which the author creates and a reader decodes. The modern associative field of miphonims based on the dictionaries and web-sites is presented.

E.I. Popova
Proper Name as a Part of the Youth Slang

Key words: *youth; youth slang; proper name; toponym; transformation of proper names into common names.*

The article presents the results of analysis of toponyms which are included in the Youth slang dictionary. Principal ways of lexicon addition of youth slang are analyzed; cases when slang proper names transfer to common names are investigated. On the material of slang proper names some peculiarities of youth slang are analyzed.

HISTORY AND ARCHEOLOGY

K.V. Demidova
Antique Argument in Foreign Policy and Public Discussion of Great Britain in the 1720th – the 1730th

Key words: *foreign policy in Britain; public discussion; parallels with the history of Ancient Greece.*

The article is devoted to the parallels with the history of Ancient Greece in the public debate in Britain in the 1720–1730s, and their influence on the foreign policy of the United Kingdom.

A.V. Yesman

The Contribution of the English East India Company to the Formation of the British Balance of Trade, 1763–1813

Key words: *East India Company; Great Britain; balance of trade; British trade; tea trade; Economic history; XVIIIth century; XIXth century.*

This article examines the contribution of the English East India Company to the formation of the British trade balance in 1763–1813. The author analyzes the composition and evolution of the structure of import and export of the Company in the UK. The influence of the Company on the development of British imports and exports is revealed. On the basis of the study, the author proves that the English East India Company was an important tool in the UK trade providing an average of about 10% of foreign trade turnover, and analyzes the change in its value for the UK trade during the period under study.

M.N. Goryaeva

The Mystery of the Scottish Enlightenment

Key words: *Scottish Enlightenment; history; Intellectualism; Intellectual elites; United Kingdom; Act of the Union; the Jacobites.*

The article deals with the peculiarities of the Scottish Enlightenment, the role of intellectual elites, education system and church in the shaping of the Enlightenment ideas.

B.A. Aznabaev

The Fate of Smolensk Gentry in the Southern Urals in the XVIIth – XVIIIth Centuries

Key words: *Smolensk gentry; walled cities of Zakamsk line; serving Corporation; estate; heraldry; Bashkir uprising of the XVIIth – XVIIIth centuries; deprivation of the rights of the nobility.*

The article discusses the history of the formation of the serving corporations of Smolensk nobility in the fortresses of Zakamsk line beginning from the middle of the XVIIth century till the 30-ies of the XIXth century. The main factors which determined specific status of Smolensk Corporation in the southern Urals, were local land laws which restricted the development of estate economy and certain suspicions the administration had concerning the former subjects of the Polish crown. This led to extremely small land in the possession of Smolensk gentry and their inevitable impoverishment, which made their position similar to that of state peasants.

A.V. Yakutin

Activities of the German Occupation Authorities in Smolensk Region in 1941–1943

Key words: Smolensk region; occupation; war; partisans; police; taxes; legality.

The article uses published and archival materials to analyze the activities of the Nazi occupation authorities and their collaborators from citizens of the USSR concerning the organization of order according to the requirements of the German authorities. Methods and efficiency of police units as well as the work of the Soviet State security agencies to strengthen socialist law in partisan formations which operated in Smolensk region are investigated.

E.A. Sidorchuk

Role and Place of Bodies of State and Party Government in the Organization of Economic and Daily Activities of the Besieged Sevastopol during 1941–1942

Key words: *defense of Sevastopol; Sevastopol City committee of defense; Great Patriotic War; historical source.*

The article deals with the activities of the civil government and residents of Sevastopol devoted to the defense of the city in 1941–1942 during the Great Patriotic War. The study is based on such little studied subjects as the life of the civilian population and activities of the Sevastopol city committee of the All-Union Communist Party (bolsheviks) during the defense of Sevastopol.

Y.A. Murashova

«Iron» Arguments: the Ideological Struggle of the Soviet Authorities against Orthodox Pilgrimage to Kursk Korennaya Pustyn during the Khrushchev Period

Key words: *history of the USSR; Orthodoxy; Pilgrimage; religious processions; Korennaya Pustyn; antireligious propaganda.*

The paper is devoted to the history of the anti-religious propaganda in the USSR in the late 1950s. The author's attention is focused on rhetoric against mass orthodox pilgrimage, reborn in late-Stalin period. Using the example of the fight against Russia's largest religious procession from Kursk to closed monastery Korennaya Pustyn the study investigates the basic arguments used by Soviet functionaries to reduce the popularity of the pilgrimage practices and discredit their organizers.

PEDAGOGY

O.V. Oschehina, E.I. Khachikyan

Paradigms of Education: Philosophic and Social Aspect

Key words: *philosophic and pedagogic trends of the XIXth – beginning of the XXth centuries; paradigms of education: cultural and anthropological, religious and anthropological, social and anthropological, «free education».*

Different paradigms of methods of education, which were typical for the society of the end of the XIXth – the beginning of the XXth century, are present in the article. Different approaches to education, with prevalence of one of the aspects – social, cultural and historical, religious – were analyzed by the author. The results can be considered as quite significant, due to the necessity of radical changes in the field of upbringing new generation, and to the meaning of the results for the processes of active assimilation of social experience and its inclusion in social relationships and socially significant activities.

N.P. Senchenkov

P.P. Blonsky on Upbringing Intellectually Gifted Children

Key words: *P.P. Blonsky; intellectually gifted children; troubled children; upbringing; pedagogy.*

The article describes the most essential ideas of P.P. Blonsky on raising intellectually gifted children who are at the same time troubled children because of their specific development.

A.M. Petrunin

Information Rationality, Wisdom and the Problems of Education of Modern Youth

Key words: *science; information; wisdom; rationality; crisis; education; eternity; beauty; the good; truth; happiness; freedom.*

The article investigates the problem of development of information rationality, which may not have negative consequences if it is based on wisdom. It will direct the development of information rationality in search of eternity, beauty, the good, truth, happiness and freedom in modern life. The author shows the ways to improve the education of contemporary youth.

N.U. Naletova, N.P. Senchenkov

Training in Spiritual Experience in a Pedagogic Context of «Internal Making» of Educators of Russia (Rev. Avraamy of Smolensk)

Key words: *Orthodoxy; education; extra institutionalized education forms; the Reverend Avraamy of Smolensk.*

The article deals with the problem of constructive values of such categories as «originality», «will», «spirit», «belief», «choice» in development of education and upbringing, development of various ways of personal synergy. In such cogitative paradigm people, due to whose moral effort national education and culture are formed, come to the forefront.

E.N. Makova

The Development of Female Private Gymnasium Education in the Province of Smolensk in the XIXth – the Beginning of the XXth Centuries

Key words: *gymnasium education; the system of female secondary education; provincial public; private education; professional activity; patronship.*

The paper deals with the contribution of several provincial officials in the establishment of female education. The study also investigates the problem of opening educational institutions in the province of Smolensk and its solution with the help of state and provincial officials, partons in the system of female secondary education.

A.A. Gumennikova

Pedagogical Support of Students with Learning Difficulties: the Problem and its Solution

Key words: pedagogical support; difficulties in teaching; inclusive education; ascertaining stage of the experiment; pedagogical support of students with learning difficulties.

The author of the article proves the urgency of the problem of pedagogical support of students with learning difficulties under modern conditions. The detailed review of the literature is presented. The reasons for learning difficulties were identified. Possible ways of pedagogical support of students with learning difficulties and the model of effective interaction between subjects of education are introduced. The results of the questionnaire survey are given.

T.N. Ermakova

**Role of Music in the Development of Values:
the Genesis of the Problem**

Key words: images-values; axiological approach; the image of the world; spiritual and moral values.

This article examines the impact of communicative, ideological, educational music functions in the development of inner world of the person at different stages of history, investigates the role of music in the development of the values of students under the contemporary socio-cultural conditions. The author presents images-values of Russian music as the basis of the development of values of the individual, describes the potential of Russian music in the formation of national identity, national pride and patriotism.

O.E. Savelyeva

Object-to-Subject Inversion as Factor of Inter-Linguistic Interference in Learning the English Language at School

Key words: teaching English grammar; inter-linguistic interference; object-to-subject inversion; comparative analysis.

The article deals with words and phrases used as predicates in sentences, having different functional composition in Russian and English, which leads to inter-linguistic interference. The author suggests uniting these words and phrases in a separate methodically relevant category called "object-to-subject inversion" and devoting a certain part of the educational process to their detailed study and practice in their correct use. As an example of the training process the author presents a number of exercises specially designed for this purpose.

G.S. Evdokimova

Competence-Oriented Tasks on Stochastics for Future Teachers under the Conditions of Modern Educational Process

Key words: *competence approach; competence; scholastic competence; formation; interactive teaching methods; competence-oriented tasks; teacher; consciousness; probability-theoretical intuition.*

The article considers the competence approach in education, which is the main mechanism of formation of stochastic competence of students under the conditions of modern educational process. The study demonstrates that the main tools, which contribute to the formation of stochastic competence of students, include interactive learning methods, such as the use of competence-oriented tasks.

T.V. Mikhaylova, V.P. Guba

Creative Approach to Training of the Coach in the Organization of Sports Activities

Key words: *coach; preparation; educational activities; sports activities; creative approach; pedagogical creativity; model groups; research work.*

The article deals with creative approach to training of coaches in higher educational institutions of sports profile. The study is based on model groups of the students studying in higher education institutions of sports profile which form the basis for creation of professional competences for subsequent effective management of sports activities. The data is provided which generalizes sources of scientific and methodical information used in the course of training of coaches for sports activities.

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