Ethnolexicons in the Afro-English sublanguage

The article presents the results of the analysis of the English afroethnosociolectisms in terms of their characteristics and distribution among ethnosubstandard repertoires and ethnolexicons. The latter serve in the social and verbal communication of the English native speakers in the XXth century in three corporate ethnosubcultures and ethnosocieties taking into account their areal variations. The authors argue that specific ethnosociolexicons, differentiated on the basis of their areal variations and usage, had been formed and assimilated in the English Afroethnosublanguage by the beginning of the XXth century. From the standpoint of speech practices, lexicons of the Afro-American ethnosubculture, ethnocultures of the Caucasians oriented to the Afro-American ethnosociety, the «Afro-American-thematic» lexicon and mixed corporate ethnosubcultural sublanguage are autonomized.

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