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Abstract:

The paper provides an overview of research into specific features of the youth slang in Modern Russian and English taking into consideration its use in different spheres and the problem of its classification. Nowadays linguists all over the world are concerned about the study of so-called youth slang.

The significance of Researched Topic is caused by the necessity of learning the ways of formation and developing of the youth slang in two languages.

The novelty of the study is that the youth slang of the XXI century is not developed enough. Youth Slang is the language of the avant-garde. Nobody knows what will be fashionable tomorrow, but it will certainly be reflected in the vocabulary of young people. The youth slang is attractive due to its expressiveness, naughty character and word play. Against the background of gloomy official speech slang is attractive owing to its fresh metaphors.

The object of the research is the slang, as part of the today's youth speech at the beginning of XXI century.
The subject is the formation and functioning of the slang in the Russian and the English languages.

The purpose of this paper is to conduct a comparative study of functional-semantic features of the Russian and the English youth slang in the XXI century. The given purpose specified the performance of the following tasks:

1. To retrace the history and role of slang in linguistics of the XXI century in Modern Russian and English;

2. To study different points of view on the linguistic concept of "slang" and differentiate the concept of slang and jargon;

3. To set the main reasons of origin and use of slang in today's youth speech;

4. To identify the main sources of replenishment for youth slang;

5. To run a comparative analysis of the use of youth slang in the Russian and English languages.

This paper consists of introduction, two chapters, conclusion and the list of the literature the research is based on.

In this research work we have tried to analyze peculiarities of the foreign borrowing in the Russian and English youth slang.

In the first chapter we find out that today slang is an integral part of the modern language of the youth of the XXI century. It reflects the unique specificity of modern life. Despite the fact that now there are quite a number of definitions of slang, often contradicting one another; the concept of "slang" currently has no terminological precision. We have presented different concepts of slang and differentiate such definitions as slang and jargon. We found out that the Internet,
technological progress, mass culture and mass media are the main spheres of the borrowing of foreign vocabulary.

The second chapter contains a comparative analysis of the modern youth slang in Russian and English by way of describing different types of slang: Internet, mobile, school and student.

So, this research work enables us to make a conclusion that youth slang is one of the most rapid developing sublanguages and it is popular among students and in certain social and occupational categories. All in all, it is very important to have the basic knowledge of youth slang in order to keep abreast of the times.