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The relevance of the study is determined by the ambiguity of linguists’ understanding of the nature of the words of the category of state as an independent part of speech. In modern dictionaries, often there is no term "category of state" as a mark to the lexical units of this part of speech. Sometimes many variants of marks are used to refer to the words of the same morphological class.

The aim of the study is to describe the words of the category of state in the Russian language, to identify the main stages of formation of this morphological class of words and their current status.

Research tasks:
1. to identify and analyze the language content of the universal part of speech – the category of state.
2. to study the linguistic means that provide the implementation of the meaning of the state in the Russian language.
3. to consider the history of the studying the place of the category of state in the system of parts of speech in the modern Russian language by linguists.
4. to describe the basic lexical and semantic groups of words of the category of state and their grammatical properties.
5. to identify sources of replenishment of the category of state as a part of speech.
6. to consider the methodological basis for studying the words of the category of state.
7. to formulate methodological recommendations for the lessons on the study of words of the category of state at the lessons of the Russian language in secondary school and in the system of preparation for the GCSE and A level exams.

Theoretical value. In the context of the activation of syntactical studies, the results of this work contribute to the complex linguistic and methodological description of various types of constructions with the words of the category of state as predicates, taking into account their system connections and mutual transitions.
The practical value of the work follows from the possibility of using its results and presented practical material in University and school lecture courses of the Russian language and in practical classes in modern Russian language, linguistics, grammar of the Russian language, in translation classes, in the development of textbooks and special courses in modern Russian language.

Results of the research: we have discovered the linguistic basis of description and study of the category of state as part of speech, described the history of the category of state and their grammatical characteristics in the modern Russian language. Besides, we shed light on the methodological aspect of the words of the category of state and the problems of the approach to the study of this part of speech in the school course of the Russian language.

Recommendations. Currently, this part of speech is developing dynamically. It is widely used in the texts of fiction and publicistic literature, stands out in a special category in modern school textbooks of the Russian language. It is necessary to study this part of speech thoroughly and consistently from the standpoint of linguistic and methodological approaches.