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Title: Linguocultural features of gender stereotypes verbalization in folklore texts
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Abstract: The research work is dedicated to the identification of specific features of verbalization of gender stereotypes in Russian and English proverbs.
The subject of the research work is Russian and English proverbs representing “male worldview” and “female worldview”.
The aim of this work is to study the characteristics of linguocultural features of verbalization of gender stereotypes in Russian and English folklore texts and the creation of male and female “stereotyped” portraits of representatives of the British and Russian cultures.
The main objectives of this research are:
- to consider basic concepts and approaches in gender studies;
- to analyze linguocultural approach in gender linguistics;
- to study the concept of “gender stereotype”, to highlight the main features of gender stereotypes in language and speech;
- to identify specific features of gender stereotypes verbalization in Russian proverbs and sayings;
- to identify specific features of gender stereotypes verbalization in English proverbs and sayings;
- to compare the "typical female" and "typical male" portraits in Russian and English proverbs.

In accordance with the theoretical and methodological bases of the research work, we used the following methods: the descriptive method; the analysis of the existing database sources on the subject (the method of the scientific analysis); generalization and synthesis of different points of view (method of the scientific synthesis and generalization); the modeling method based on the data obtained as a result of the author's vision of the issues (method of modeling).

The theoretical significance of the work lies in the contribution to the study of the gender stereotypes impact on the language picture of the world in different cultures and contains information about the influence of gender-related proverbs on the linguistic and cultural world picture of the speakers.

The practical significance of the work is determined by the possibility of using the paremiological material in the creation of dictionaries and collections of gender-related proverbs and sayings, and in adjusting social and cultural stereotypes.

In the introduction we justify the importance of the research, state the object, the purpose of the study, reveal methodological framework, and define scientific novelty and practical value.

The first chapter we provide a definition of «gender», discuss the concepts and approaches to its study, as well as gender studies in linguistics and linguacultural area of gender linguistics, give the definition of the «gender stereotype».

In the second chapter we turn to study the peculiarities of verbalization of gender stereotypes in Russian and English proverbs and sayings.

In conclusion we summarize the main results of our research.

Bibliographic list consists of 136 titles in English and Russian languages. The total amount of qualifying work done is 69 pages.