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ИНТЕРПРЕТАЦИЯ ВЫРАЖЕНИЙ СОЧУВСТВИЯ И УТЕШЕНИЯ В СОВРЕМЕННОЙ ЛИНГВИСТИКЕ

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INTERPRETATION OF EXPRESSIONS OF SYMPATHY AND CONSOLATION IN MODERN LINGUISTICS

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Annotatsiya

Hamdardlik va tasalli ifodalari odamlarning kundalik o'zaro munosabatlarida muhim aloqa almashinuv vositalardir. Zamonaviy tilshunoslik ushbu iboralarni pragmatik, sotsiolingvistik, nutq va madaniyatlararo nuqtai nazardan o'rganadi. Ushbu maqola zamonaviy tilshunoslikdagi hamdardlik va tasalli ifodalarini talqin qilishning turli turlarini o'rganadi. Tadqiqot nazariy yondashuvlar, nutq akti funktsiyalari, madaniy o'ziga xoslik va ingliz nutqida qo'llaniladigan kommunikativ strategiyalarni o'rganadi. Xulosa va natijalar shuni ko'rsatadiki, hamdardlik va tasalli nafaqat hissiy reaksiyalar, balki ijtimoiy normalar, empatiya va shaxslararo munosabatlarni aks ettiruvchi madaniy shartli lingvistik hodisalardir.

Аннотация

Выражения сочувствия и утешения представляют собой важные коммуникативные инструменты в повседневном взаимодействии людей. Современная лингвистика изучает эти выражения с прагматической, социолингвистической, дискурсивной и межкультурной точек зрения. В данной статье рассматриваются различные типы интерпретации выражений сочувствия и утешения в современной лингвистике. В исследовании анализируются теоретические подходы, функции речевых актов, культурная специфика и коммуникативные стратегии, используемые в английском дискурсе. Полученные результаты показывают, что сочувствие и утешение — это не



просто эмоциональные реакции, но и культурно обусловленные лингвистические явления, отражающие социальные нормы, эмпатию и межличностные отношения.

Abstract

Expressions of sympathy and consolation represent important communicative tools in everyday human interaction. Modern linguistics studies these expressions from pragmatic, sociolinguistic, discourse, and intercultural perspectives. This article explores different types of the interpreting sympathy and consolation expressions in contemporary linguistics. The study examines theoretical approaches, speech act functions, cultural specificity, and communicative strategies used in English discourse. The findings and results demonstrate that sympathy and consolation are not merely emotional reactions but also culturally conditioned linguistic phenomena reflecting social norms, empathy, and interpersonal relations.

Kalit so'zlar: hamdardlik, tasalli, pragmatika, nutq tahlili, nutq aktlari, empatiya, lingvomadaniyat, muloqot

Ключевые слова: сочувствие, утешение, прагматика, дискурсивный анализ, речевые акты, эмпатия, языковая культура, коммуникация

Keywords: sympathy, consolation, pragmatics, discourse analysis, speech acts, empathy, lingua culture, communication

Introduction. Modern linguistics increasingly focuses on emotional communication and interpersonal interaction. Speech interaction is one of the most attractive areas of reaserch.[10]

Among various communicative acts, expressions of sympathy and consolation occupy a significant place because they reveal emotional support, empathy, and social solidarity between speakers. In everyday communication, people use sympathy and consolation to react to grief, disappointment, suffering, or emotional distress. The interpretation of these expressions has become an important topic in pragmatics, discourse analysis, sociolinguistics, and intercultural communication. Roman Jakobson emphasized the communicative functions of language, particularly the emotive and phatic functions, which are directly related to sympathy expressions. Similarly, John Searle and John Austin developed speech act theory, explaining how utterances perform social actions such as comforting, apologizing, or consoling. In language, words are similar to each other and their meanings change as they are used in different contexts.[2]



Contemporary scholars view sympathy and consolation as expressive speech acts that communicate psychological states and interpersonal attitudes. According to recent studies, these expressions are strongly connected with cultural values and social rituals. For instance, English speakers often use direct verbal support such as “*I am sorry for your loss,*” whereas other cultures may prefer indirect or collective expressions of emotional support. The purpose of this article is to analyze the interpretation of expressions of sympathy and consolation in modern linguistics and to identify their communicative, pragmatic, and cultural characteristics.

Methods. This study employs qualitative descriptive and comparative methods within the framework of modern linguistics. The research is based on discourse analysis, pragmatic analysis, and interpretation of scholarly literature devoted to emotional communication and speech acts.

The methodological foundation includes Speech Act Theory developed by John Austin and John Searle, pragmatic theories of politeness by Penelope Brown and Stephen Levinson, interaction ritual theory proposed by Erving Goffman, and contemporary discourse studies on sympathy and consolation.

The material of the research consists of scholarly articles on sympathy and consolation, examples from English communicative discourse, and pragmatic interpretations of expressive speech acts.

The analysis focuses on lexical and semantic features of sympathy expressions, contextual interpretation of consolation utterances, communicative intentions of speakers, and intercultural variations in emotional speech behavior.

Results. The analysis demonstrates that expressions of sympathy and consolation perform multiple communicative functions in modern discourse.

Modern linguistics classifies sympathy expressions as expressive speech acts because they reveal the speaker’s emotional attitude toward another person’s suffering. Typical examples include “*I’m sorry to hear that,*” “*My condolences,*” “*I understand your pain,*” and “*Everything will be okay.*” These expressions function not only as emotional reactions but also as mechanisms for maintaining social relationships and communicative harmony.



Pragmatically, sympathy utterances depend heavily on context. The same phrase may express genuine empathy, politeness, or social obligation depending on the communicative situation. Researchers emphasize that interpretation is influenced by intonation, social distance, cultural expectations, and situational context. The study of acquired words has its own tradition. [14]

The study also reveals that sympathy and consolation vary significantly across cultures. English discourse tends to emphasize individual emotional support through direct verbal expressions, while many Eastern cultures prefer indirect or ritualized support strategies. Modern linguists identify several common consolation strategies such as emotional reassurance, encouragement, shared suffering, religious comfort, and future-oriented optimism.

Discussion. The findings indicate that sympathy and consolation represent complex communicative phenomena combining linguistic, psychological, and cultural dimensions. Contemporary linguistics no longer treats emotional expressions merely as vocabulary items; instead, they are interpreted as socially conditioned communicative actions.

Speech act theory explains that sympathy utterances perform illocutionary functions aimed at emotional support. John Searle argued that expressive speech acts communicate the speaker's psychological state toward a situation. Sympathy expressions clearly demonstrate this principle because they encode compassion, empathy, and solidarity.

Furthermore, modern pragmatic studies emphasize that successful consolation depends on contextual appropriateness. Expressions that sound supportive in one culture may appear excessive or insincere in another.

Our country is developing relations with countries of the world from year to year, which accelerates the integration process. The issues of the ability to correctly express in a foreign language the national-cultural specificity of communication in the process of exchanging information with representatives of different states, the verbal and non-verbal means used in intercultural communication, the expression of existence in the minds of people, the life of the people and national identity, etc., demonstrate the relevance of



learning foreign languages.[12]

The research also confirms the importance of empathy in communication. Emotional support contributes to maintaining social cohesion and interpersonal trust. Another important observation concerns the evolution of digital communication, where people increasingly use abbreviated sympathy forms, emojis, and supportive comments on social media platforms.

Future research may investigate comparative analysis of Uzbek and English consolation strategies, digital discourse of empathy, gender differences in emotional communication, and corpus-based analysis of sympathy expressions.

Conclusion. Expressions of sympathy and consolation are essential components of interpersonal communication. Modern linguistics interprets these expressions as pragmatic and culturally conditioned speech acts that perform emotional and social functions. Identifying idioms in dialects and determining their equivalents in foreign languages can serve as a basis for recommending idioms that do not exist in the Uzbek language into the literary language.

The study demonstrates that sympathy and consolation express empathy and solidarity, maintain communicative harmony, reflect cultural norms and values, and depend strongly on context and discourse.

Contemporary linguistic approaches such as pragmatics, discourse analysis, and intercultural communication provide deeper understanding of emotional speech behavior. As communication continues to evolve in global and digital contexts, the interpretation of sympathy and consolation remains an important direction in modern linguistic research.

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