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## **Phraseological Units with Somatic *tooth* Element in Different Structured Languages**

**Abstract:** This article offers comparative analysis of Phraseological Units with somatic element *tooth* based on Russian, Ukrainian, German and English. The purpose of this article is to show semantic features, isomorphic and allomorphic traits in four linguistic cultures.

**Keywords:** a comparative analysis, linguoculture, Phraseological Units.

The present paper focuses on comparative analysis of phraseological units with somatic element *tooth* in English, German, Ukrainian and Russian languages to identify semantic means of picture of the world manifestation and highlight isomorphic and allomorphic features in four linguistic cultures. 112 phraseological units with somatic element *tooth* (12 – English, 32 – German, 44 – Ukrainian and 24 – Russian) have formed the empirical data of our research.

Cultural Studies is the science that shows close connection between culture and language. The study of the linguistic and cultural peculiarities of different languages gives us an opportunity to elucidate the processes of perception and reproduction of the cultural experience through the language means. One of the main functions of the language is that it accumulates all epic achievements in scientific, social and cultural life of the nation [5, 20]. From this point of view we regard language as the main source of cultural information and a specific way of information transfer.

Cultural codes match archaic views of people. They are universal. So coding of the space has only national peculiarity and it is special for every national cultural communities [4, 62]. There are such basic codes: somatic, zoo, space,

time. One of the oldest codes of culture is somatic. It is connected with parts of the body [1, 16].

One of the ways how to represent somatic code is phraseological units with somatic element. By means of such phraseological units and proverbs the language accumulates the empirical, spiritual and historical experience of the nation. The practical value of the phraseology from the cultural point of view is determined by that fact that during the long history of its development language preserves only those examples which are of great importance to human perception and are closely connected with the models, stereotypes of the nation and culture [6, 155].

Investigations in the field of phraseology show the dependence of linguistic functioning on certain ethnic community activities and the role phraseological units with somatic element in the process of interpretation and accumulation the empirical, spiritual and historical experience [8, 237-238].

Contrastive analysis of phraseological units with somatic element of genetically distant languages allows finding similarities and differences in models, stereotypes and national-cultural peculiarities [3, 22]. So, due to the contrastive analysis it becomes possible to research semantic features of phraseological units of given languages [2, 5-6].

Our investigation shows that the anthropocentric meaning reflected with the help of the somatic component in the phraseology comprises the following spheres: features of character, age, intellectual ability, feelings, emotions and others. Thus, we defined phraseological units with the somatic element *teeth/Zahn/зуби/зубы* related to 4 languages and have isomorphic meanings: ***symbol of aggression and reaction to it:*** Eng.: *armed to the teeth; to show one's teeth; an eye for an eye, a tooth for a tooth;* Germ.: *bis an die Zähne bewaffnet sein; Auge um Auge, Zahn um Zahn; die Zähne zeigen (weisen); Ukr.:* *сущити зуби; око за око, зуб за зуб; озброєний до зубів;* Rus.: *óko za óko, зуб за зуб; бытъ вооружённым до зубов; (o)скалить зубы;* misspeaking words: Eng.: *like pulling teeth;* Germ.: *etw. zwischen den Zähnen murmeln;* Ukr.: *цідити (процидити) крізь зуби; крізь зуби точити;* Rus.: *сквозь зубы говорить (сказать);*

exercising self-control and patience: **Eng** set one's teeth; **Germ.**: mit zusammengebissenen Zähnen (etw. tun); die Zähne zusammenbeißen; Zahn auf Zahn beißen; **Ukr.**: зціпити (стиснути, склепити) зуби; **Rus.**: сжать (стиснуть) зубы; very little amount of smth.: **Eng** (as) scarce as hen's teeth; **Germ.**: das ist (reicht, geht) auf den hohlen Zahn; das ist nur auf abo für den hohlen Zahn; **Ukr.**: на один зуб; на одногого зуба; **Rus.**: на один зуб.

Other common groups of phraseological units with somatic element *teeth/zуби/zубы* include:

- **experience** (in English, Ukrainian and Russian): **Eng.**: cut one's teeth in (on) smth.; **Ukr.**: зуби на чому стерти (з'їсти); **Rus.**: съесть зубы на чём;
- **anger** (in German, Ukrainian and Russian): **Germ.**: einen Zahn auf (gegen, wider) j-n haben; **Ukr.**: скрежотами (скрежотити, скрипіти, скрипоміти) зубами; гострити зуби; **Rus.**: скрежетать зубами; точить зуб (зубы); failing in solving complex task: **Germ.**: sich (D) an etw. (D) die Zähne ausbeißen (ausbrechen, stumpf beißen); **Ukr.**: горішок не по зубах; обламати зуби; збутися зубів; не про зуби; **Rus.**: обломать себе зубы; лишиться зубов; не по зубам; не по зубам мне эти орешки; to tremble because of cold or fear: **Germ.**: mit den Zähnen klappern; **Ukr.**: дзвоніти зубами; зуб на зуб не попадає; клáцати зубами; вибивати зубами чечітку; **Rus.**: зуб на зуб не попадает; стучать зубами;
- **gossips** (in German and Ukrainian languages): **Germ.**: j-n durch die Zähne ziehen; j-n zwischen den Zähnen haben; **Ukr.**: брать на зуби; зав'язнути в зуби; перетирати на зубах;
- **hunger** (in Ukrainian and Russian languages) : **Ukr.**: клáстти (покласти) зуби на полíцю (на мисник); (i) на зуб нíчого покласти; на зуб нíчого покласти; **Rus.**: зубы на полку (класть); на голодные зубы; to divert with the help of conversation: **Ukr.**: замовляти зуби; зубы заговаривать; to have negative life expirience: **Ukr.**: пройти мідні труби і чортові зуби; **Rus.**: прошел огни, воды, медные трубы, попадал к черту в зубы и то вышел.

The comparative analysis of phraseological units with somatic element *teeth/Zahn* in English and German also enabled us to distinguish isomorphic meanings: to work good and quickly: **Eng.:** *get teeth into the job*; **Germ.:** *einen Zahn zulegen.*

Allomorphic meaning of the phraseological units with the somatic element *teeth* include:

**age** (in the English language): **Eng.:** *long in the tooth*; falsehood: **Eng.:** *lie in one's teeth*; desire to eat many sweet foods: **Eng.:** *have a sweet tooth*; to make bad influence on others: **Eng.:** *rotten tooth injures its neighbours*; to take some action that is intended to prevent strife or trouble: **Eng.:** *sow dragon's teeth*;

**death** (in the German language): **Germ.:** *j-m tut kein Zahn mehr weh*; disappointing: **Germ.:** *j-m den Zahn ziehen*; eat without appetite: **Germ.:** *die Zähne (hoch) heben; lange Zähne machen; mit langen Zähnen essen*; to be able to protect one's points of view: **Germ.:** *j-d hat scharfe Zähne*; destructive hand of time: **Germ.:** *der Zahn der Zeit*; tipped the girl: **Germ.:** *j-m einen Zahn abschrauben*; to check someone: **Germ.:** *j-m auf den Zahn fühlen*; warming to keep silence: *die Zähne sollen dir ausfallen!*; request not to think about nonsense: **Germ.:** *diesen Zahn laß dir ziehen (або ausziehen)!*.

**smile** (in the Ukrainian language): **Ukr.:** *торгувати зубами, світити зубами*; risk: **Ukr.:** *до дідька в зуб*; responsible for the actions of others people: **Ukr.:** *Адам з'їв кисличку, а у нас оскома на зубах*; psychological condition when a person uncontrolled emotions and actions: **Ukr.:** *хоч зуби рву*; detect excessive indulgence, starch: **Ukr.:** *дивитися в зуби*;

**unwillingness to lose smth.** (in the Russian language): **Rus.:** *зубами держаться*; desire to eat: **Rus.:** *разгорелись зубы*. Allomorphic meanings of the Phraseological Units with the somatic element *зуб* are:

So, phraseological units with somatic element have isomorphic and allomorphic features in English, German, Ukrainian and Russian languages. It has been shown that phraseological units with the somatic element *teeth/Zahn/зуби/зубы* in English, German, Ukrainian and Russian languages have

such negative meanings: *symbol of aggression, misspeaking words, very little amount of smth.*; and positive: *exercising self-control and patience*. In addition, phraseological units with somatic element *teeth/зуби/зубы* have positive meaning *experience* in English, Ukrainian and Russian languages.

Phraseological Units with somatic element *Zahn/зуби/зубы* German, Ukrainian and Russian languages have such common negative meanings as *anger, to tremble because of cold or fear, failing in solving complex task*.

Special meaning for English and German Phraseological Units is *to work good and quickly*; for German and Ukrainian are *gossips*. Ukrainian and Russian phraseological units with somatic element *зуби/зубы* have such negative meanings as *hunger, negative life experience, to divert with the help of conversation*.

Allomorphic features of the phraseological units with the somatic element *teeth* in the English language with negative meanings include: *to take some action that is intended to prevent strife or trouble, falsehood, to make bad influence on others; and neutral: desire to eat many sweet foods*.

Phraseological Units with the somatic element *Zahn* in the German language demonstrate specific negative meanings: *death, disappointing, eat without appetite, warming to keep silence, tipped the girl, destructive hand of time; and positive: request not to think about nonsense, to be able to protect one's points of view, to check someone*.

Phraseological units with the somatic element *зуб* in the Ukrainian language demonstrate specific negative meanings: *responsible for the actions of others people, psychological condition when a person uncontrolled emotions and actions, detect excessive indulgence, starch; and positive: smiling*.

Phraseological units with the somatic element *зуб* in the Russian language designate specific positive meanings: *unwillingness to lose smth and desire to eat*.

Thus, contrastive analysis of Phraseological units in different languages irrespective of their origin is topical as it allows singling out allomorphisms and isomorphisms in the systems of Phraseological units with the somatic element in

order to specify positive and negative associations which lie under nomination in different languages.

The perspective of the investigation lies in the contrastive analysis of Phraseological units with other somatic elements in East Slavic and West Germanic languages from the standpoint of lingocultural studies.

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