

LINGUISTICS

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Male vs. female: gender in modern English slang

The present article deals with the gender aspect of modern English slang. It reveals a certain lopsidedness or misbalance between male and female slang nominations. Modern slang as well as Standard English can be characterized as a language which depicts a male point of view. The analysis of different semantic groups proves this idea. The relevance of such kind of research is determined by its inclusion in one of the most promising areas of language learning – gender linguistics. There is the urgent necessity of theoretical reflection on several problems which – despite the intensive development of gender studies in domestic scientific discourse – have not been adequately explained.

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