

## LINGUISTICS

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### **Genre specifics of the speech act of refutation in opposition political discourse**

The pragmatic intention of a specific type of discourse determines the use of typical speech acts. A refutation speech act serves as one of the most prevalent speech act in the texts of the opposition political discourse, thus shaping its oppositional nature. In this respect it should be given a detailed and comprehensive study. In this article the given type of discourse is represented by analytical (problem) articles taken from the magazines “Executive Intelligence Review” and “Economist”. The aim of the article is to show genre peculiarities and communicative-pragmatic parameters of the refutation speech act: the communicative aim, the addresser image, the addressee image, the content, the image of communicative past and future, language means of its representation. These parameters allow to give a comprehensive picture of this speech act in the unity of its lexicogrammatical structure and pragmatic intention, constituting the basis of the refutation speech act.

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