

Введение

Рекомендуемое распределение дисциплин и курсов

## CHAPTER I

### INTRODUCTION TO SOCIOCULTURAL LINGUISTICS. SOCIOCULTURAL LINGUISTIC TEXT ANALYSIS

Basic Terminology

Linguistics: Language and Speech (essence and functions)

Language. Theory. Argument

Language and Mentality (Medieval/Superstitious/Religious/National)

Sociocultural Linguistics : Background Cultural Knowledge. Acquisition of Cultural Literacy.

Words denoting Realia (Reference Words)

Introduction to Semantics (Theory of Meaning): Word Meaning.

Polysemantic Words. Components of Meaning. Denotative and Connotative Meanings. Cultural Connotations

Language and Speech. Paradigmatics and Syntagmatics. Language units and speech units.

The plane of expression and the plane of content.

Formal word structure and semantic word structure

Work with Definitions. Introduction to Lexicography (Dictionaries)

References

## CHAPTER II

### RUSSIAN CULTURAL STUDIES THROUGH LANGUAGE

Introduction. Course Overview. Lead-in. Discussion

Sample Texts for Analysis

Geoffrey Hosking “Russia and the Russians” (Preface and Introduction)

Bruce W. Lincoln “Between Heaven and Hell” (1998): Preface, Chapter 1 (Prologue and Genesis)

“Russian Lacquer Miniatures”

Orlando Figes “Natasha’s Dance”

“At Pike’s Behest”

Paul Bushkovich “A Concise History of Russia”

Lectures

History of Russian Church Architecture

Russian Historians vs G. Hosking

Field Trips

Kolomenskoye

Old English Court (Zaryadie)

The State History Museum (Moscow, Russia)

Kuskovo

Arkhangelskoye (optional: Yusupov Palace on the Moika river / Koreiz)

The Kremlin. Cathedrals and Towers

International Projects

Lyalovo

The Song of Igor’s Campaign

The Chesme Palace in St. Petersburg. The Greek Project of Catherine the Great

Collections of Russian Art in the USA (Hillwood, Georgia Museum of Art).

“The Exuberance of Meaning” (Exhibition)

The Descendants (Russian Aristocratic Families in Russia and Abroad — The Romanovs, the Pushkins, the Beloselskiye-Belozerskiye, the Sheremetyevs, the Bestuzhevs, the Yusupovs etc.)

Vocabulary for Rating Tests

Appendix

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## CHAPTER III

### BRITISH CULTURAL STUDIES

Lectures (basic theses)

Lecture 1. Basic facts about the constituent parts of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland (the UK of GB and NI)

Lectures 2-3. The UK of GB and NI: The History of Unification.

Acts of Union

Lectures 4—5. The Establishment

Lecture 6. The System of Education

Lecture 7. The UK and the World

Tests and Tasks

References

#### CHAPTER IV

#### AMERICAN CULTURAL STUDIES

Basic theses and tasks for lectures and seminars

Basic facts about the USA. The First Americans

Colonization of America. Westward Movement

American Revolution (War of Independence)

The Civil War

America in the XIX<sup>th</sup> — XXI<sup>st</sup> centuries

Political Structure of the USA. Political Parties. Elections

References

#### CHAPTER V

#### LANGUAGE, CULTURE AND CROSS-CULTURAL COMMUNICATION

Unit 1. Language, culture, communication

Unit 2. Language and National Character. Cultural aspect

Unit 3. Language and National Character. Lexical aspect

Unit 4. Stereotypes. Sociocultural British Stereotypes.

Stereotype Threat

Unit 5. Nonverbal Communication

Unit 6. Conversational Rules in the English Language

Unit 7. American Communicative Behaviour

Unit 8. Communicative Strategies in the English Language

(Request, Invitation, Advice)

Appendix. Some quotations on the Key Terms