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Annotation: *This article examines the linguistic features, usage contexts, and socio-linguistic impacts of computer and internet slangs in modern English. By exploring their formation processes and pragmatic functions, it highlights the dynamic nature of language adaptation in digital communication environments. The study underscores the significance of these slangs in shaping social interactions and identity within online communities, while also addressing the challenges and opportunities they present for linguistic research..*

Keywords: *Computer slangs, internet slangs, modern English, digital communication, linguistic innovation, sociolinguistics, language evolution*

ZAMONAVIY INGLIZ TILIDAGI KOMPYUTER VA INTERNET JARGONLARI

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Annotatsiya: *Ushbu maqola zamonaviy ingliz tilidagi kompyuter va internet slengining lingvistik xususiyatlari, foydalanish kontekstlari va ijtimoiy-lingvistik ta'sirini o'rganadi. Ularning shakllanish jarayonlari va pragmatik funksiyalarini o'rganish raqamli aloqa muhitida til moslashuvining dinamik xususiyatini izohlaydi. Tadqiqot ushbu jargonlarning onlayn hamjamiyatlarda ijtimoiy ta'sirlar va o'ziga xoslikni shakllantirishdagi ahamiyatini ta'kidlaydi, shu bilan birga ular lingvistik tadqiqotlar uchun taqdim etadigan muammolar va imkoniyatlarni ko'rib chiqadi.*

Kalit so'zlar: *Kompyuter jaranglari, internet jargonlari, zamonaviy ingliz tili, raqamli aloqa, lingvistik innovatsiyalar, sotsiolingvistika, til evolyutsiyasi.*

Introduction. The proliferation of digital communication technologies has given rise to a distinct subset of language known as computer and internet slangs. These slangs, characterized by their brevity, creativity, and functional efficiency, have become integral to online interactions. They not only facilitate rapid and effective communication but also serve as markers of identity and community within digital spaces. This article aims to analyze the linguistic features of these slangs, their roles in digital communication, and their broader implications for the evolution of the English language.

Formation Processes. Computer and internet slangs often emerge through creative linguistic processes, including abbreviation, acronym formation, blending, and borrowing. Abbreviations like "LOL" (laugh out loud) and acronyms such as "BRB" (be right back) exemplify the tendency towards brevity in digital communication. Blending, as seen in "blog" (web + log), showcases the innovative merging of words to create new terms. Additionally, borrowing from other languages and cultures enriches the lexicon of internet slangs, reflecting the global nature of digital communication.

Usage Contexts. The usage of computer and internet slangs varies across different digital platforms and communities. Social media, online forums, and gaming environments each have unique linguistic norms and conventions. On social media platforms like Twitter and Instagram, brevity is paramount, leading to the widespread use of slangs and hashtags. In online gaming communities, slangs serve not only as communication tools but also as elements of subcultural identity, fostering a sense of belonging among players. The context-specific nature of these slangs highlights their adaptability and relevance in diverse digital settings.

Sociolinguistic Impact. Computer and internet slangs play a significant role in shaping social dynamics within digital communities. They function as markers of in-group membership, signaling familiarity with the norms and values of specific online spaces. This linguistic signaling fosters social cohesion and identity formation. Furthermore, the rapid evolution and dissemination of slangs across digital platforms exemplify the fluidity of modern language and the influence of technology on linguistic change.

Pragmatic Functions. In addition to their socio-linguistic functions, computer and internet slangs perform various pragmatic roles in digital communication. They enhance the efficiency of information exchange, allowing users to convey complex ideas succinctly. Moreover, slangs often carry emotional and contextual nuances, enriching the expressive potential of digital interactions. For example, the use of emojis and acronyms can convey tone and sentiment, compensating for the lack of non-verbal cues in text-based communication.

Challenges and Opportunities for Linguistic Research. The study of computer and internet slangs presents both challenges and opportunities for linguists. The rapid pace of linguistic innovation in digital spaces complicates the task of cataloging and analyzing new terms. However, the abundance of digital communication data provides a rich resource for investigating contemporary language use. By employing computational tools and methods, researchers can gain insights into the patterns and trends of slang usage, contributing to our understanding of language evolution in the digital age.

Conclusion. Computer and internet slangs are a testament to the adaptive and innovative nature of language in the face of technological change. They reflect the dynamic interplay between language and digital communication, offering valuable insights into the ongoing evolution of modern English. As digital communication

continues to expand, the study of these slangs will remain crucial for understanding the linguistic landscape of the 21st century.

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