

TO THE QUESTION OF ORIGIN OF LATIN EXPRESSIONS

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Introduction. Ancient Latin expressions have a great value. Ancient expressions have played an important role in the history of many nations. They have become an integral part in the development of thinking abilities both of individuals and countries in general. Sayings and proverbs bring up in people the desire for self-improvement, which is an important aspect of everybody's live. It is important to state that such expressions were often used by fraternities, colleges and societies of the Middle Ages.

Aim. The aim of the research is to study popular Latin expressions and their origin. Popular expressions are linguistic phenomena, since by their nature they are complex subjects, which in their various manifestations can have different features. The research of popular Latin expressions helps us to understand what the author had in mind and what thoughts inspired him to create this idiom.

Materials and methods. More than fifty popular Latin expressions were researched and divided into five groups according to their origin. The names of these groups are: quotations from the works of ancient authors, statements of public and political persons, sayings of ancient men of wisdom, philosophers and scientists, the Bible, phrases that have lost their author, but are found in many texts. After comparing the content of the groups it became clear that, due to their origin, Latin popular expressions have different way of development and usage.

Results and discussion. Any existing expression is an expression of author's intention. It is well-known that an idea is the prototype of the future expression, where the origins of the main elements of the content can be found. The impulse to create expression may become feelings, emotions, or even insignificant facts of reality. The goal of expression is the creation of the thought with the help of which a person can understand the words.

Conclusions. Latin sayings and proverbs are widely used nowadays. Some expressions are well known in the world today. "Contra spem spero!" used by Lesya Ukrainka unlikely to be ever forgotten by Ukrainian nation. "O tempora, o mores!" by Cicero, always forces us to pay attention to the corruption of power and motivates to fight with it and such expression as "Ubi panis, ibi patria" helps to understand that "From East to West home is the best".