to the beginning of the year and named it January after Janus, the God of beginnings and endings. In 1582, Pope Gregory adjusted the calendar, so most western nations began celebrating the start of the year on January 1. This new calendar became known as the "Gregorian calendar."

There is a tradition to say "Rabbit, Rabbit" for the luck of the English. People say "Rabbit!" on the first day of each month early in the morning. According to the Wikipedia, the origin of this custom is unknown but it dates back to perhaps the 15th century, maybe even the 13th — good heavens! And it came from England "Rabbit, rabbit, rabbit" is a superstition found in Britain and North America, a person says or repeats the words "rabbit", "rabbits" and/or "white rabbits" aloud upon waking on the first day of a month, to ensure good luck for the rest of it.

## ARABISMS IN RUSSIAN LITERARY LANGUAGE

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**Introduction.** Arabism – a word or expression drawn from the Arabic language, or a turn of speech, built on the model characteristic of the Arabic language. The vocabulary of Arabic origin occupies a significant place in the lexical system of the Russian literary language. In modern Russian, there are more than 450 words which were drawn from Arabic. All of them needed for detailed qualification and analysis in the semantic, etymological and functional aspects, and being an integral part of the lexical system of the Russian language, require close attention of researchers.

**Aim.** The purpose of this study is to determine the characteristics of Arabisms functioning in Russian literary language.

**Materials and methods.** The material of the study were some the vocabulary units of different spheres of use, borrowed by Russian language directly and indirectly from the Arabic language. Research methods are description, comparison, analysis.

**Results and discussion.** A millennium ago, the Middle East was one of the key centers for the development of world civilization. The outstanding discoveries of Arab scientists in mathematics, physics, medicine, astronomy and other basic sciences became the basis for the terms and concepts generally accepted today on the entire planet. They had no alternative entered their time in world practice and gradually took their place in all languages, including Russian. A similar trend applies to the concepts of everyday and cultural life, which came from the Middle East. Arabic borrowing, as a rule, penetrated into the Russian language through other languages, which were: Turkish, Spanish, French, German, Polish.

**Conclusion** Most Arabic words entered the Russian language in connection with the study of astronomy, medicine and mathematics. In addition, a significant layer of a drawn vocabulary is a lexical-semantic group of religious content. Arabic prototypes underwent integrated development in the Russian language. The results of borrowing assimilation are the result of the convergent and divergent properties of two different types of language systems.

## TOPICAL ISSUES OF LEARNING THE ENGLISH LANGUAGE IN ENGLISH LANGUAGE ENVIRONMENT

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**Introduction.** Nowadays, the importance of learning English is more relevant than ever and this relates to pharmaceutical sphere as well. There are many opportunities to learn English – at schools, universities, courses, with tutors, online, but the best way to learn English is considered to plunge into the