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NEW YEAR - NEW PEAKS!

Each new study year brings with it many interesting events and activities that enrich the experience of students and teachers. These activities become an important part of the learning process, creating a unique atmosphere of communication, exchange of opinions and skills development.

Freshmen, full of ambition and desire to learn, actively prove themselves in both intellectual and creative fields. Senior students, meanwhile, are happy to help newcomers get used to the learning environment, creating a friendly atmosphere and supporting each other.

The energy of the educational process, the pursuit of knowledge and creative inspiration fill our University, preparing a new generation of leaders and professionals!

1. INITIATION:

Every freshman is anticipating this touching event - initiation. After all, that's when they realize where they've arrived at. And they got to the place where creative work, acting, creativity in all its manifestations is just the thing. The Artifact sends you a message: welcome to our Faculty of Philology and Intercultural Communications!





2. TEACHER'S DAY CONCERT:

One of the most important holidays of a teacher is Teacher's Day. The students of the Faculty of Philology and Intercultural Communications have prepared a concert program that left no one indifferent: folk songs and dances, stirring hip-hop and humorous scenes from student life. But the most moving thing is the words of gratitude from the fifth-year students, who touched everyone present.



3. MEET-UP:

Everyone knows that there are many talented students at the Faculty of Philology and Intercultural Communications. And according to tradition, the Artifact team held a meet-up. The acquaintance with the newspaper's activities was not in vain, because freshmen joined our ranks! And we wish them only success!

4. "STUDENT AUTUMN" FESTIVAL:

On October 24, a landmark event took place - the "Student autumn" Festival. For many, this evening became the starting point of their busy student life, because it was on this day that they were able to prove themselves not only on stage, but also to show how much they managed to make friends with their groupmates! The freshmen showed themselves in singing, dancing, and theatrical art. The excitement, the rehearsals, the sleepless nights and the performance are all left behind. And the winner's cup was awarded to the 13th FFiMK group! Congratulations to all the participants of the Festival for the wonderful concert performance!



AND THIS IS JUST THE BEGINNING OF OUR JOURNEY! THERE IS STILL A LOT OF INTERESTING THINGS AHEAD! FOLLOW ALL THE NEWS OF OUR MAGAZINE TO KEEP UP TO DATE!

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EDUCATION IN THE MODERN WORLD

The Experience of Turkmen Students in Russia

In the modern world, education plays an important role in the life of every person. This is particularly true for international students who choose Russia as their country of study. These young people bring with them diverse cultures, languages, and perspectives on life, making their experience in our country unique and multifaceted.

In this article, we have gathered facts to learn about the experiences, impressions, and expectations of the students from Turkmenistan, trying to understand how they adapt to a new educational environment and what challenges they face.

From their first steps at the University to meeting new friends and discovering Russian traditions, all of these elements shape their view of the country and its education system. The answers to these questions will help us get to know them better and assist in the adaptation of international students.

HOW DID YOU FIND THE STUDY PROGRAM IN THE NEW COUNTRY? DOES IT MEET YOUR EXPECTATIONS?

My sister studies here, and she invited me to join her. I really want to study in Russia. My expectations have been fully met.



WHAT DIFFICULTIES DID YOU FACE WHEN LEARNING THE LANGUAGE? HOW DID YOU OVERCOME THEM?

I knew Russian a little already in my homeland, and then I continued studying it here. Although my level is still far from perfect, I am confident that over time I will be able to improve my skills.



All the teachers are very supportive and help us understand the material. My groupmates are also very friendly







WHAT IS YOUR FAVORITE SUBJECT?

It's literature, I think.



I would advise other international students who want to study in this country to come here and start their education.

HOW DID YOU FIND ACCOMMODATION? DID YOU HAVE ANY DIFFICULTIES FINDING HOUSING?

I was able to find accommodation without any difficulty. I put up at the student hall of residence, which turned out to be quite convenient.

HOW DO YOU MANAGE TO INTEGRATE INTO THE LOCAL CULTURE? WHAT CHALLENGES HAVE YOU FACED WHILE ADAPTING TO LIFE IN A NEW COUNTRY?

I enjoy learning the local culture. The city is wonderful, although it can be quite cold in the winter. But overall, the weather is good, and the challenges are mostly related to study.

HOW DO YOU SPEND YOUR FREE TIME? HOW DO YOU FIND NEW FRIENDS?

In my free time, I enjoy watching films and doing sports. I find it easy to connect with people.

WHAT DO YOU LIKE MOST ABOUT THIS COUNTRY?

People here are very polite to each other.

WHAT CHANGES IN YOUR LIFE HAVE YOU NOTICED SINCE MOVING?

My life has changed significantly, but I enjoy it here.

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TO-DO LIST

EVERY AUTUMN IS UNIQUE AND BEAUTIFUL IN ITS OWN WAY. BUT OUR MAGAZINE KNOWS HOW TO MAKE THIS AUTUMN EVEN MORE EXCITING. WE PRESENT TO YOUR ATTENTION OUR "TO DO LIST" FOR AUTUMN 2024!



- Movie night with friends.



- Arrange a tea party.



- A walk in the forest.



- Buy cute warm socks



- Assemble your herbarium.



- Devote time to hobbies.



- Add autumn decor to the interior.



- Light candles at home.



- Create a vibrant playlist.



Read a book.



- Make an autumn photo.



- Attend a performance, concert, exhibition.



Go on a little trip.



Do sports.



- Bake cookies.



- Create a new diary.

And finally - ENJOY THE MOMENT!



LANGUAGE PRACTICE

How to improve your skills?

Language proficiency is an important skill in the modern world. It gives the way to new opportunities in education, career and travel.

However, many English learners face some difficulties.

Language practice is the key that may help to improve your language skills.

A COUPLE OF TIPS HOW TO IMPROVE YOUR ENGLISH:



IMMERSION IN THE LANGUAGE ENVIRONMENT

One of the most effective ways to improve your language skills is complete immersion in the language environment:

- Try to communicate with your group mates in a foreign language: at first, this idea may seem strange to you, but believe me, it's worth it!
- Communicate with native speakers via instant messengers. It is another way to expand your vocabulary with modern phrases.
- Watch films and TV series in English (with or without subtitles). This is a great way to combine business with pleasure!

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REGULAR CLASSES

- It doesn't matter whether you study individually or with a teacher: regular classes will significantly speed up the learning process.
- Don't forget that classes should include all aspects of the language: speaking, grammar, reading and listening.
- Don't be afraid to make mistakes, practice more and remember that regularity is the key to success.







SPEAKING AND READING PRACTICE

Speaking is one of the main components of language proficiency.

You can improve your skills in the following ways:

- Participate in language clubs to practice English.
- Try to record your own speech for analysis and self-monitoring. Work on your pronunciation, pay attention to mistakes. It would be better to discuss the recording (audio) with the teacher for more detailed work.
- Read books, articles in the original without using a translator: start with easy texts and gradually move on to more complex texts.
- Try to keep a diary or notes on your phone only in English: this will help you overcome the language barrier and also improve your writing skills.



USE OF TECHNOLOGY

Modern problems require modern solutions, right?

There are many mobile apps and online resources that will help you to learn the language:

- 1. Vocabulary apps: Anki or Quizlet.
- 2. Grammar practice sites: Grammarly or British Council.
- 3. Video lessons with practical tasks on such platforms as YouTube

IMPROVING YOUR ENGLISH SKILLS IS A PROCESS THAT REQUIRES TIME AND EFFORT. HOWEVER, USING VARIOUS METHODS OF LANGUAGE PRACTICE, YOU CAN SIGNIFICANTLY SPEED UP THIS PROCESS.

REMEMBER THAT REGULARITY AND PERSISTENCE ARE THE KEYS TO SUCCESS! GOOD LUCK!

LITERARY MASTERPIECES

An overview of new modern works in different languages

We all know what it's like to catch autumn inspiration to read a new book. That is why our magazine has prepared a collection of modern literary masterpieces in different languages

HAVE A NICE READ!

"WHITE TEETH"

- is the debut novel by British writer Zadie Smith, published in 2000. Time magazine included the novel in its list of the 100 best English-language novels from 1923 to 2005.

The book has an interesting plot. Archie Jones spent twenty years at an unloved job, monotonously folding flyers and brochures for a London printing house. The recent divorce only aggravated his bad psychological state, and on the morning of January 1, 1975, the poor guy decides to get gassed. By a happy coincidence, the plan fails, and Archie, given a chance to start from scratch, marries a nineteen-year-old girl with Jamaican roots and gets closer to an old friend from Bangladesh. The next five hundred pages of Zadie Smith's debut novel are a story about the ups and downs of these desperate heroes and their descendants, migrants of the first and second generations who are looking for their place in Britain at the end of the 20th century.

"THREE" ("TROIS")

- the novel by French writer Valerie Perrin tells the story of the growing up of three friends: Nina, Etienne and Adrien.

They met in junior high and haven't been apart since. Friendship was a cocoon for them, they locked themselves into each other and shut themselves off from the rest of the world. The children planned out the future to the smallest detail: to graduate from school, leave their small town for Paris, start a music group, rent one apartment for three — and never part. But life turned out to be more difficult than it seemed. This story is about a sunny childhood and adolescence, growing up, albeit tragic, about dreams that are not destined to come true, about choice and that friendship is a great gift that requires careful treatment.



"THE DOLL ROOM" ("DAS PUPPENZIMMER")

- the novel by a modern German writer Maja Ilisch attracts with the atmosphere of the Victorian era and an alluring sense of mystery. It seems that ghosts are about to appear on the pages, or some gentle and mysterious girl. However, the subject of the book is completely different.

The book "The Doll Room" ("Das Puppenzimmer") tells how the venerable brother and sister Molyneux came to an orphanage to find a pupil. The well-read orphan Florence did not count on anything much. However, unexpectedly for everyone, the choice of the couple fell on her. As it turned out, a strange and difficult mission awaited her at the Hollyhock estate, which only such a special girl as Florence could cope with.

The author has a rather pleasant manner of narration, the book is easy and fast to read. If you are a fan of mystery detectives, then you should like this book.

"SHADOW OF THE WIND" ("LA SOMBRA DEL VIENTO")

- is the most famous novel by the Spanish writer Carlos Ruiz Safon.

Ten-year-old Daniel's life changed in an instant when he found the book. There were so many secrets in it that even two decades later, Daniel still had not found the answers to all the questions. Because of the book, he constantly has to deal with the strangest people, face inexplicable circumstances, become a part of other people's lives and let them into his life.

In search of answers, the hero will have to explore not only the world around him, but also look into the very depths of human consciousness, face the most sincere love and the strongest hatred. But Daniel hopes that the answers that await him at the end of the journey are worth it.

The novel "Shadow of the Wind" has been translated into more than twenty languages. He continues the tradition of the medieval Gothic novel and has been awarded a number of literary prizes in different countries.



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FASHION TRENDS FOR THE AUTUMN SEASON

The autumn season of 2024 is in full swing, and this means that it's time to update your wardrobe in accordance with the latest fashion trends. In this article, we will tell you what clothes and styles will be at the peak of popularity this autumn season so that you look stylish and fashionable.

One of the key trends for the autumn 2024 will be a combination of different textures and materials in one look. For example, leather things will be perfectly combined with knitted elements, and wool products can be combined with silk accessories. Such a mix of textures will make you look interesting and original.





As for the color palette, autumn 2024 suggests an emphasis on dark and rich shades. Deep burgundy, green, blue and purple colors will be in the spotlight. You can combine them at will, creating unique and stylish images.



In addition, fur details will be popular this season. Fur collars, cuffs, trims and even fully furred pieces will all be at the peak of popularity. Fur will give your appearance a luxurious and stylish look.



Don't forget about the right accessories to help complement your look. Large bags, voluminous scarves, original glasses and high boots - all this will be relevant this season.



One more important element of this autumn will be voluminous coats. Long, richly decorated and maximally voluminous coats will be in trend. They will help to create a stylish and cozy image, as well as keep you warm on cool autumn days.

TRADITIONAL AUTUMN DISHES

CHINA - THE MOONCAKE

The Zhōngqiū jié or Mid-Autumn Festival, takes place on the full moon of the 15th day of the 8th month of the lunar calendar, which corresponds to mid-September - early October. It is dedicated to harvesting and watching the moon, as part of the holiday it is customary to eat moon cakes, which are a delicacy. Mooncakes consist of thick dough with a sweet filling, often with whole salted egg yolks, symbolizing the full moon. They are steamed or fried. Gingerbread cookies are decorated with hieroglyphs wishing "longevity" or "harmony", as well as images of the Moon and other symbols. The filling may include a paste of lotus seeds, sweet beans, etc. They are usually eaten with tea and given as gifts, reflecting the culture and art of China.



BRITAIN - CARAMEL APPLES



Speaking about traditional UK dishes we should mention a special treat for British autumn holiday – "Guy Fawkes Night" - the Caramel apples. They can be decorated in a variety of ways and different designs. But the forbidden fruit is sweet, the treat is very tasty, but it is difficult to eat it. Therefore, it is dangerous for people who wear braces to eat.



USA - PUMPKIN PIE

Pumpkin pie is a dessert pie with a spiced, pumpkinbased custard filling. The pumpkin and pumpkin pie are both a symbol of harvest time, and pumpkin pie is generally eaten during the fall and early winter. In the United States and Canada, it is usually prepared for Thanksgiving, Christmas, and other occasions when pumpkin is in season.

The pie's filling ranges in color from orange to brown and is baked in a single pie shell, usually without a top crust. The pie is generally flavored with pumpkin pie spice, a blend that includes cinnamon, ginger, nutmeg, and cloves or allspice. The pie is usually prepared with canned pumpkin, but fresh-cooked pumpkin can be used.



SPAIN - PAELLA



In autumn, in Spain, they are treated to a traditional national dish — paella. It is prepared on the basis of rice. Pumpkin is also added there — it gives the dish not only a rich flavor, but also sweetness.

Interesting fact that it is traditionally served on Sundays or St. Joseph's Day (March 19).

Also, paella is not cooked for dinner anywhere and you can order it only for lunch and for at least two people. Traditionally, paella is cooked and served

directly in a frying pan, unless it is a set meal, when the dish is laid out on plates

ITALY - PUMPKIN RAVIOLI

Speaking about using pumpkin in recipes, we have to mention Italian traditional dish - ravioli made of pumpkin. In Italy, these are traditional ravioli, which are quite simple to prepare. Pumpkin filling is wrapped in a dough made of flour, olive oil, and eggs. Each chef has their own secret: someone adds parmesan or ricotta, and someone adds wine or nutmeg



AUSTRALIA AND NEW ZEALAND - PAVLOVA



Looking at the other part of the Earth we can see one more interesting autumn dessert that has an interesting name «Pavlova».

Pavlova is a meringue-based dessert.
Originating in either Australia or New Zealand in the early 20th century, it was named after the Russian ballerina Anna Pavlova. Taking the form of a cake-like circular block of baked meringue, pavlova has a crisp crust and soft, light inside. The confection is usually topped with fruit and whipped cream.

The dessert is an important part of the national cuisine of both Australia and New Zealand. With its simple recipe, it is frequently served during celebratory and holiday meals.

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10 Funny P.G. Wodehouse Quotes to Make You Smile

When I surfed the web for quotes from Wodehouse's novels, I realized that there is not much sense in simply reading those quotes – you have to read the books themselves, in full. Anyway, if you haven't heard the name before and would like some advice on what pleasant and funny books to read – I'll introduce you to my favourite writer.

I cannot remember exactly the very first Wodehouse title I came across. Most probably it was a book about Jeeves and Wooster in Russian which I, yet a schoolboy, borrowed from the Birsk town library. The very first English title in my collection was "Right Ho, Jeeves" (or was it "Love Among the Chickens?"), bought somewhere in 2007 or 2008, and I immediately fell in love with the author.

Unfortunately, I'm not able now to have a look at my Wodehouse collection (the books are in Birsk and I'm not there), but I can say there should be 67 titles. All those books were purchased in different places, some even abroad when the currency exchange rate was favourable. Also, in 2010-2013 it was easy to find paperback Wodehouse in bookshops in Saint Petersburg, and also on Ozon.

Most are foreign publications; however, a couple of titles were put out by Russian publishing houses.

Now, choosing a mere ten quotes from the writer who lived to be 93 and wrote almost a hundred books seems unfair.

Wodehouse novels are easy to read, funny, perfect in style, always have many plot twists, evoke positive emotions. He almost never fails to draw your attention completely, and three or four hundred pages can be read in one sitting. Sometimes the plot structures are similar in different books with different characters, settings, etc., and you always know that there will be a happy ending – in quite a lot of Wodehouse's novels one of the main topics is love.

In Wodehouse's novels you'll meet such unforgettable protagonists as Jeeves and Wooster, Lord Emsworth, Aunt Agatha and others. Oh, and the Empress of Blandings, of course!

Certain films have been made based on his novels, and if you are interested, find information on your own.

Now let us finally have a taste of genuine British humour

- 1 "The voice of love seemed to call to me, but it was a wrong number." [Very Good, Jeeves]
- 2 "There are moments, Jeeves, when one asks oneself, 'Do trousers matter?'"
 "The mood will pass, sir." [The Code of the Woosters]
- 3 "'What ho!' I said.

'What ho!' said Motty.

'What ho! What ho!

'What ho! What ho!'

After that it seemed rather difficult to go on with the conversation." [My Man, Jeeves]

- 4 "And she's got brains enough for two, which is the exact quantity the girl who marries you will need." [The Adventures of Sally]
- 5 "Love is a delicate plant that needs constant tending and nurturing, and this cannot be done by snorting at the adored object like a gas explosion and calling her friends lice." [Jeeves and the Feudal Spirit]
- 6 It has been well said that an author who expects results from a first novel is in a position similar to that of a man who drops a rose petal down the Grand Canyon of Arizona and listens for the echo. [Cocktail Time]
- 7 "You're one of those guys who can make a party just by leaving it. It's a great gift." [The Girl in Blue]
- 8 It began to be borne in upon Lord Ickenham that in planning to appeal to the Duke's better feelings he had omitted to take into his calculations the fact that he might not have any. [Uncle Fred in the Springtime]
- 9 "Mike nodded. A sombre nod.

The nod Napoleon might have given if somebody had met him in 1812 and said,

"So, you're back from Moscow, eh?" [Mike and Psmith]

10 - In English country towns, if the public houses do not actually outnumber the inhabitants, they all do an excellent trade. It is only when they are two to one that hard times hit them and set the innkeepers to blaming the government. [Something Fresh]

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