

## THE CONCEPT OF "HAPPINESS" IN RUSSIAN PROVERBS

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### ANNOTATION

The article deals with the concept of "happiness" and how this concept found its reflection in Russian proverbs.

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### INTRODUCTION

The word "Concept" comes from the Latin word "conceptus", which means "understanding". It often seems that they are the same. However, in modern scientific language, this word means not just a concept, but a certain general concept, a generalized one, a kind of concentrate of ideas about an object or phenomenon. The concept, as one of the modern researchers, writes, "unites and expresses in a certain general form the whole set of meanings of a word or concept, we can say that it is an expression of the essence of the concept. The concept is located between the richest possibilities of polysemy of the word and the restrictions that the context imposes on the interpretation of the word. The concept is the main, bearing structural unit of culture in its spiritual being.

The concept in philology is a meaningful side of the verbal sign, behind which is a concept related to the mental, spiritual, or material sphere of a person's existence, fixed in the social experience of the people, which has historical roots in his life.

The concept is objectified in the language using a word that receives the status of the name of the concept - a linguistic sign that conveys the content of the concept most fully and adequately. According to D.S. Likhachev, the concept exists not for every word, but each of its lexicosemantic variants, "The concept is, as it were, a clot of culture in the mind of a person; that in the form of which culture enters the mental world of man. And, on the other hand, the concept is something through which a person - a common, ordinary person, not a "creator of cultural values" - enters culture himself, and in some cases influences it.

### ANALYSIS

Happiness is an inanimate abstract neuter noun, with 2 declensions. Ozhegov's explanatory dictionary distinguishes the following two meanings of this word:

1. Feeling and state of complete, supreme satisfaction.
2. Success, luck.

Efremova's explanatory dictionary is a little more:

- 1) The state of absolute satisfaction with life, the feeling of the highest pleasure, joy.
- 2) a) Success, luck.
- b) A happy accident, a happy coincidence.

Small Academic Dictionary:

1. A state of supreme satisfaction with life, a feeling of deep contentment and joy experienced by somebody. The outward manifestation of this feeling.

The Dictionary of Ethics offers the following definition of happiness:

“Happiness, as a concept of moral consciousness, denotes such a state of a person that corresponds to the greatest internal satisfaction with the conditions of one’s being, the fullness and meaningfulness of life, the fulfillment of one’s human purpose... Like a dream, Happiness is a sensory-emotional form of an idea, but unlike it, it means aspirations of the individual, and the fulfillment of these aspirations. The concept of Happiness does not simply characterize a certain specific objective position or subjective state of a person but expresses an idea of what a person’s life should be like, what exactly is bliss for him.

But only four antonyms were found:

Trouble, grief, misfortune, unhappiness.

There were also not so many phraseological units:

1. Tears of happiness or a smile of happiness.

Counting, reading for happiness (doing something).

Compose, make someone happy.

2. Have the happiness of doing something. (obsolete) - polite turn of speech.

3. Fortunately, forces for good, because of happiness, in meaning. introductory word: very good, should rejoice.

4. Happiness is lucky, rolled over, and the like to someone. (colloquial).

5. For happiness (give, send, do, etc.) - so that there is a success, good luck, so that someone is lucky.

Blind happiness.

Try, attempt, etc. happiness (happiness)

The smith of his happiness.

Thus, we can single out the main, in our opinion, components of the meaning of “happiness”: a feeling of complete spiritual satisfaction, well-being in life, luck in everything.

## LITERATURE REVIEW

To get a complete picture of the use of the concept of "happiness", let's turn to Russian proverbs and sayings, since, according to many researchers, "in the language, those figurative expressions are phraseologies that are associated with cultural and national standards and which, when used in speech they reproduce the mentality characteristic of a particular linguocultural community.

When analyzing proverbs and sayings with the word "happiness", we got several semantic groups.

1. Ideas about happiness associated with wealth, material well-being:

Happy and between the fingers (in the teeth) gets stuck;

A happy (rich) person has nothing to do: he lives and warms himself;

To whom happiness serves, he does not grieve about anything;

Where there is no share, there is little happiness;

Who is thrifty, he is happy;

One who has bread with a soul, a dress with a carcass, money from need is happy.

2. Proverbs opposite in meaning to wealth about the intangible side of happiness:

Money can not buy happiness;

Happiness is not in the wallet, happiness is in the hands;

Money can not buy happiness;

Happiness is better (more expensive) than wealth.

3. Proverbs and sayings in which happiness is identified with luck and good luck:

With good fortune you will come across with a treasure, with the bad fortune you will not find even a mushroom;

In a fight - lucky fortune is a great thing;

If you are lucky, you will be on horseback, if not, you will be on your foot;

Lucky is on a horse, unlucky is under the horse;

Do not be born beautiful, but be born happy;

Don't be born smart or handsome, but be born happy;

He is a happy rogue, where he finds a crooked court.

4. Proverbs and sayings in which happiness appears as a natural result of labor and some high merit:

Happiness lies under everyone's callus;

There, where they work without laziness, happiness is not a wonder;

Dig the ground without being lazy - you will live happily;

Each person is the blacksmith of his happiness;

Happiness is not in the wallet, happiness is in the hands;

Seek new happiness, but do not lose the old.

5. Proverbs and sayings about unreliability, the unpredictability of happiness:

Happiness is not a horse: no luck on a straight path;

Happiness moves whomever it wants, it will go;

Happiness is not easily mentioned;

Happiness is a free bird: where it to be wanted, it sat there;

Happiness is like a wolf: deceive, but go into the forest;

Happiness is a spring bucket;

Happiness lives in a neighborhood with misfortune;

Happiness without a mind is a bag full of holes;

A peasant sowed bread for good luck, and quinoa was born;

It is easier to find happiness than to keep;

The first happiness is not exchanged for the last.

6. Proverbs and sayings in which the idea of happiness is associated with negative emotions: envy, mistrust, etc.:

Do not believe in happiness at all, do not hope for happiness;

Do not believe in happiness, but do not be afraid of trouble;

Trying happiness is wasting money;

Do not taste happiness, do not buy a lame horse;

Seeking happiness is running away from it;

If you are happy, you annoy everyone;

Where there is happiness, there is envy.

7. Proverbs and sayings in which happiness as opposed to the mind or compared with it:

Good luck comes to the foolish people, clever people will be awarded by God;

Happiness is luck for a fool, for the smart one God gives himself;

Happiness without a mind is a bag full of holes;

Happiness will converge with happiness, and then without a mind, it will not stretch;

Stupid people seek happiness and luck, smart people attack them;

The happiness of the mind adds, the latter takes away misfortune;

Wise and happiness to face.

8. Proverbs and sayings built on the antithesis of "happiness-unhappiness":

I was happy, but I have caught misfortune in my hands;

In a dream, happiness, in reality, bad weather;

In dreams, happiness, but reality, misfortune;

Happiness and misfortune live in the neighborhood (they ride in the same sleigh);

Happiness mixed with unhappiness - nothing remained;

The happiness of the mind adds, the latter takes away misfortune;

Whoever gives up in grief will never know happiness.

9. Proverbs and sayings in which the concept of "happiness" is associated with universal values: friendship, truth, love, etc.:

Do not be born beautiful, but be born happy;

Happy is a person, who has a calm conscience;

Bondage does not give happiness;

Gray hair attached, happiness was gone;

Where happiness is, there is joy;

There is no happiness, and do not expect joy as well;

The more you are closer to people, the happier you are;

Who leads friendship, finds happiness;

Guest on the threshold - happiness in the house;

He will always be happy who writes unflatteringly;

Where there is truth, there is happiness.

10. Proverbs and sayings about the unattainability of happiness, built through denial:

Happiness is not a laborer: you can't pull it by a tuft;

Happiness is not a gag: you can't take it in your hands;

In happiness - not in grandmas: you can't beat a horse with lead;

Happiness is not a cow: do not milk;

Happiness is not a horse: you can't put on a collar.

Synonyms are formed from the combination of the Greek words syn" together"+ onoma" name", which is an important means of increasing the effectiveness of speech, a clearer, more vivid, logical, and diverse expression of thought. In the existing scientific literature, it is reflected that synonymous words in the working definition belong to the same category, are written, pronounced differently, but have the same or similar meanings.

Now studying scientific heritage, socio-political activities, and acquaintance youth charity of our above-stated ancestors is considered one of the main urgent objectives of modern intellectuals.



## CONCLUSION

Thus, in Russian proverbs and sayings, in our opinion, there is no single idea of happiness as bliss, pleasure, fullness, and beauty of life. Centuries-old difficult living conditions of a simple Russian person left their mark on his attitude to this ethical category. Happiness is perceived with caution and even with apprehension, especially if it is undeserved or accidental. It seems to us that religious Orthodox traditions also play an important role, according to which a person receives a reward for his suffering only in another life, and in this one everyone has his own “cross”. Moreover, in most of the proverbs, we are talking about “happiness-well-being”, probably because often people did not have the most necessary things, although there are proverbs about the happiness of a “higher” order.

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