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## ENGLISH, BELARUSIAN AND RUSSIAN PROVERBS WITH THE IMAGE OF A CHILD AND THEIR RELEVANCE IN THE MODERN WORLD

Every culture speaks to generations through its sayings and proverbs. They are timeless and full of wisdom. In our research, we learnt and analyzed English, Belarusian and Russian proverbs with the image of a child. We consider this work as relevant because people especially need these proverbs because they show us how important are children for the world and brining up them is the most important job you would ever have. It is obvious because the literature of almost every country is replete with proverbs about childhood. It is a great truth with lots of experience and deep thinking. People can get life lessons on how to do it in a right way, how to avoid conflicts in the family and to become more united.

In the first part of our research, we investigated the variety of English, Belarusian and Russian proverbs on children and divided them into the categories. In order to find out the role of proverbs about children in the vocabulary of students of the 8th form of the gymnasium  $N_{0}$  6 we carried out the survey. The used methods were gathering of information, systematization, interviewing, comparative and statistical analysis. 117 students took part in our research. They were offered to answer 4 questions. Analysis of the survey results shows that only 6% of the respondents know English proverbs about children and 38% of the respondents know Russian proverbs about children. 30 % of the respondents hear the proverbs from their teachers, 25 % from grandparents, 14 % from parents and 31 % from other sources. Then, we have got the data from our students on significance of knowing and understanding these proverbs. It was revealed that 67% of the respondents consider the proverbs with the image of a child as important and useful to know and 33 % of the respondents don't think so. Thus, according to the diagrams we can conclude that students of the 8<sup>th</sup> form know very little English proverbs about children and a few Russian and Belarusian proverbs. But at the same time more than half of them consider the proverbs with the image of a child as useful and important to know because upbringing is a tough job. It often involves struggle, mistakes and failure. We should use different methods to make it more comfortable being respectful. With the help of proverbs, we can also understand how to avoid conflicts and become more united. It proves the relevance of our research. Given the results of this research, we showed a short educational video for our students to get a deeper insight into the importance of knowing the proverbs on the process of upbringing children (https://youtu.be/Gab04dPs uA) and made the list of benefits they will get if they study proverbs.