

USE OF PUNCTUATION IN ENGLISH TEXTS ON SOCIAL NETWORKS

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***Annotatsiya.** Ushbu maqola ingliz tilidagi ijtimoiy tarmoq kontentida tinish belgilarining qo'llanishi, ularning semantik xususiyatlarini tahlil qiladi. Axborot texnologiyalari rivojlangani sari tilshunoslikning yangi bo'limlari paydo bo'ldi.*

***Kalit so'zlar:** punktuatsiya, ijtimoiy tarmoqlar, onlayn matn, internet lingvistikasi, undov belgisi, so'roq belgisi, nuqta, yulduzcha*

***Annotation.** This article analyzes the use of punctuation marks and their semantic features in the content of social networks in English. As information technologies developed, new departments of linguistics appeared.*

***Key words:** punctuation, social sets, online text, internet linguistics, exclamation mark, question mark, period, asterisk*

As technologies develop more and more, our language also develops accordingly. Nowadays, in the age of the Internet, we cannot imagine our activities without the Internet. In the twenty-first century, the Internet has changed the world in many ways. The acceleration of the flow of information has fundamentally changed our lives, the way we work, and the way we communicate with each other. Mobile communication devices and social networks have made it easier for us to search for information on the Internet and communicate with our friends. Social networks are created for people to communicate and share personal, intellectual or political information. The development of punctuation goes back very far in history. Also, as the language develops, the writing of each nation develops along with it, and in turn, its punctuation

marks develop. There are several theories in determining the bases of punctuation, they are as follows: [Nazarov, 1976:34]

A group of scientists are supporters of paying attention to the content of the sentence, i.e. connecting the punctuation marks to the meaning when determining the punctuation rules (F.I. Buslayev, S.I. Abakumov).

1) The second group of scientists relates the use of punctuation marks to sentence construction (S. Bulich, N. Grech, Sh. Shoabdurahmanov)

2) Supporters of the next theory believe that punctuation marks should be used according to the tone of the sentence.

The use of punctuation marks in social networks sometimes makes one think. In Internet linguistics, we can observe that the rules of punctuation are quite relaxed. In traditional written speech, punctuation marks help structure the text, but in social networks, the "higher-level" functions of punctuation marks lose their importance. In Internet linguistics, punctuation marks convey emotion. Sometimes we find that some punctuation marks are omitted in English texts, and this leads to a misunderstanding of the meaning. As an example, we can observe that the apostrophe symbol is often omitted:

Christine Roberts posts the word dog as an example. That is, if the apostrophe in the word it's is omitted, the wrong meaning is understood. In traditional written speech, exclamation and question marks express a question and a strong feeling of surprise. However, in informal texts in social contexts, a single question mark or exclamation point is insufficient to express this emotional state:

— Tee hee???

— Wicked!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Periods are rarely used in online communication. If a full stop is placed at the end of the sentence, the meaning of the sentence can change radically, i.e. "The conversation is over. It means "do as I say" or "leave me alone". We can see in the following example.

— I'll go fishing on the weekend, ok?

- Ok

or

— I'll go fishing on the weekend, ok?

- Ok.

The second example has the meaning "You can leave now, but you will regret it."

The colon is rarely seen in traditional texts, but is now an integral part of online syntax.

"I thought... you know... maybe... we'd go out to the movies one of these days?..."

The second role of the multipoint is very simple. It means that he is thinking deeply about something:

@SethMacFarlane Try ellipses. It makes one seem mysterious and wise, doesn't it...

! ? or ? ! . These symbols do not come together in traditional texts. But social network users actively use these symbols to express their emotional state. These characters are called interrobang in internet linguistics and express strong exclamation:

We're writing a story on the worst punctuation mistakes people make. What's the biggest #grammarfail that drives you crazy!?

Often the exclamation mark is used with the words "cool" and "thanks" and is aimed at attracting the reader's attention.

tony_ron

Cool!, thanks', I sure hope they think that's a plus!

Because people want to learn English Lit and it is a complex subject. Some people value knowledge outside of making them money — what on earth we are talking about it there? Let's go drink smth.

Often, a hyphen acts as a comma or a quotation mark before the word if. Shadow Demon Guest

Yes, a chance meeting in the US, Things would be very different right now - if I hadn't gone out and been sociable for once.

A hyphen is used at the end of a sentence, where several lines, for example, from two to five dashes come together to emphasize the incompleteness of the thought, emotional expressiveness. For example:

*e m m a d a w n
Part time masters whilst working part time
Definitely, I was about to apply full time then saw the workload and had a panic
attack. Ideally, I'd like to avoid any more unpredictable rota shifts but----
Funny how after 3 years at university you realize all the important practicalities
you've missed learning, e.g. driving, Microsoft excel----*

In social network texts, you can find multiple points, that is, a set of points occupying one line. *Harry Potter
Guys, long time no see. I'm running out of my good mood. The happiness from the
last summer is nothing more than mere sweet memories. Life's back to normal,
but.....*

*You know.....
To be continue.....*

A new character is using an asterisk in online communication. This icon isn't really new, but it's doing a new job. The asterisk (*) represents pluralism, infinity, and also acts as a quotation mark:

*LovelyMe
So it seems to me like AHAHAHAHA***'***'****
Jakko247
Hmm '***'****'* okay, so am I right in saying that "Event* alone cannot mean more
than one event in the above context.*

HunterGirl. Very few departments interview for PG so I wouldn't "worry too
much. I "believe* international ones are done over the phone anyway.*

There is also a lot of change in the field of linguistics, because language is constantly evolving. Internet linguistics is considered an integral part of linguistics, and scientists and researchers are constantly researching in this field. And in this branch of

linguistics, development and changes are taking place. Even in English, the punctuation marks of texts on social networks are sharply different from those of traditional written speech, punctuation marks in written communication on social networks have changed their semantic properties, increased emotional expressiveness, and are being used instead of emojis. Punctuation of social networks expresses the feelings of the writer in the text and serves to convey the feelings of the writer to the reader.

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