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NAMES OF HOUSES IN THE EVEN LANGUAGE (ETHNOLINGUO-CULTUROLOGICAL ASPECT)

Abstract

The article describes the names of dwellings in the Even language in the ethnolinguological and cultural aspects. There is the semantics of lexical units nominating dwellings that have parallels in other Tungus-Manchurian languages. These lexemes are classified into three groups. The research is conducted on the basis of the local accents and dialects of the Even language; ethnographic, bilingual dictionaries of various kinds and expeditionary materials of the author collected in the places of compact residence of the Even are also used. The study enabled to discover 28 lexical units nominating various housing depending on their functions, construction and adaptability to the landscape of places of residence of certain groups of Evens. This is one of the facts that demonstrates the Even traditional material culture preservation despite transformation and assimilation tendencies destructive for language minorities.

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