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## The basics of building a Thematic dictionary of dialect vocabulary of the Amur Region

### Abstract

This study aims to unite the existing materials on the local Russian accents of the Amur Region in one dictionary. We considered the principles of the dictionary design, described the structure of the dictionary entry and analyzed the ways of interpreting dialectal lexical units giving priority to descriptive and equivalent ways. We processed the total of 527 lexemes using classification, description, definition analysis and quantitative method. In the course of study, we performed thematic grouping, identified lexical-phonemic, lexical-grammatical and accentological variants of dialect words. We also arranged the lexical units based on the number of the dialect variants in descending order and labeled the tokens that do not have variants. We identified three thematic groups and 41 lexical and semantic subgroups. As a result, the dictionary contains 359 entries and 168 variants of dialect lexical units. It was found that the group “Clothes” turned out the largest and most diverse thematic group. It was followed by the group “Shoes”, and the group “Headdress” turned out the least frequent. The dictionary we designed might be useful not only for language researchers but also for all those who love the Russian language and are interested in the Russian folk word.

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