**Seminar 6. The English vocabulary stratification. Phraseology.**

1. The Concept of Phraseological Units.

2. Various Classifications of Phraseological Units.

3. Categorial Features of Phraseological Units.

4. Semantic Relations in Phraseology.

5. Stylistic Stratification of the English Vocabulary.

6. Stylistically Neutral Vocabulary.

7. Literary Words. Their Subdivisions.

8. Colloquial Words. Their Subdivisions.

**Do the practical assignment:**

**Exercise 1.** Explain the meaning of the following: a) as free word combinations and b) as phraseological units:

Break the ice, the bird has flown, black ball, burn one’s fingers, first night, keep one’s head above water, meet smb. half-way, show smb. the door, run straight, talk through one’s hat, touch bottom, throw dust in one’s eyes, throw fat in the fire.

**Exercise 2.** State which of the phraseological units are: a) fusions b) unities c) combinations (collocations):

Bark up the wrong tree, air one’s views, to lower one's colours, to make a mistake, sharp words, to stick to one’s guns, to make haste, take the bull by the horns, small talk, pull smb’s leg, cat's paw, lady’s man, green finger.

**Exercise 3.** In the list below find set expressions, corresponding to the following definitions:

1. Express one’s opinion openly, often with the suggestion of annoying other people. 2*.*Direct one’s attack, criticism or efforts to the wrong party. 3. Avoid or delay talking about something embarrassing or unpleasant. 4. Fail to carry out one’s promise. 5. Constantly follow smb., thrust one’s presence upon smb. 6. Be willing to believe smb. or do what smb. wishes. 7. Pay for smth expensive that you do not want to pay. 8. State the real facts about a situation, guess accurately. 9. Help, assist. 10. Run away hurriedly.

The list**:** bark up the wrong tree; foot the bill; air one’s views; lend a hand; beat about the bush; take to one’s heels; eat out of smb’s hand; hit the nail on the head; break one’s word; dog smb’s footsteps.

**Exercise 4**. Find 5 proverbs, 5 sayings and 5 quotations in English and translate them into Ukrainian.

**Exercise 5.** Differentiate among words belonging to a) stylistically neutral layer of the vocabulary; b) literary-bookish words; c) colloquial words:

Month, street, oft, get, accommodation, phony, speak, glee, easy, smartphone, ne’er, pulsar, animal, behold, paternal, obtain, articulation, damsel, bronchitis, hark, commence, cybercrime, brow, exclude, woe, solitude, semi-conductor, to summon, dough.

**Exercise 6**. Find slang words and phrases in the following sentences and specify their place in the English word stock:

1. Tell the old bag to mind her own business.
2. I need some dough to buy some groceries.
3. Who is the doll I saw you with last night.
4. Here comes that guy Johnson. He’s a real headache.
5. I’ve about given up weed.
6. Wipe that smile off your mug!
7. You’re beginning to look a little porky.
8. What a crazy dress! It makes you look like a million.
9. Let’s go and booze up!
10. What a loony jerk! You are such a classic jerk!

**Exercise 7.** Use the appropriate word, differentiating between stylistically neutral layer of the vocabulary and colloquial words:

1. *dough – money*: He only married her for her \_\_\_\_\_*.*

How much \_\_\_\_\_\_will you pay me for this work, sir?

2. *picture – photograph*: Laura showed me \_\_\_\_\_\_of her new boyfriend – he’s very good-looking.

Visitors are not allowed to take \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_inside the museum.

3. *certainly – unquestionably*: I’m sorry if upset you, dear. I \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_didn’t mean to.

Japan has \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_one of the most successful economies in the world.

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