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Multicultural London English: resource or threat.

London multicultural English is being considered, the role of which is increasing every year. The phenomenon is considered from the standpoint of the ecology of language. Traditionalist tendencies have been identified in the public consciousness of the British, which determine the need to preserve the linguistic cultural code, since this code is responsible for certain parameters of collective identity and allows transmitting cultural and historical memory. It is noted that, on the other hand, in conditions of intensive multicultural exchange, the linguistic cultural code cannot remain static and unchanged, free from external influences. The uniqueness of London multicultural English is determined by multiculturalism and polyethnicity, and the importance of studying it is determined by its role in the process of integration of representatives of various ethnic and social groups.

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