

PHILOLOGY

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The dynamics of emergence of words denoting *female warrior* in the Old English and Middle English periods

The dynamics of the appearance of words denoting a female warrior in the Old English and Middle English periods is studied. A targeted selection of words from dictionaries and glossaries of Old English and Middle English, the Great Oxford Dictionary and the Historical Thesaurus was carried out. The results of historical, etymological, word-formation analysis of selected words and quantitative analysis of vocabulary, taking into account their origin, are described. It is concluded that the enrichment of the vocabulary of military vocabulary, using the example of words denoting a female warrior, was carried out by forming new words from those available in the language using suffixation, prefix, vocabulary and borrowing. In the Old English period, one word was recorded, borrowed from Latin. In the Middle English period, 4 source languages were recorded: Latin, Old French, Middle French, Anglo-Norman and Greek.

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