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Double affixation or affixal reduplication in modern English

The phenomena of double affixation in English are investigated, the mechanisms of their formation are revealed. The word-formation potential of modern English is considered through the prism of linguistic creativity and the extravagance of new derivational models. Such phenomena as reduplication and affixation, which ensure the constant updating of vocabulary, become an important object of study. The analysis revealed the stability of the model with doubling of the -ER suffix, which creates units of the "doubler-upper" and "picker-upper" types. Two key problems are considered: (1) the limitation of the phenomenon within the framework of the suffix -ER and (2) the importance of cognitive mechanisms that ensure such word-formation activity.

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