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**The concept of «Time» in
signature worldview of Timur
Zulfikarov**

The article deals with the substantial components of the basic concept of «Time». Universal, national-cultural and individual layers are identified. It holds in-detail description of the «passive layer» of the concept of «Time». As the material of description the works of the famous contemporary poet and writer Timur Zulfikarov were considered. The researcher highlights language means that represent the concept of «Time»: lexical units in the literal sense – words with temporal color, metaphorical designations, comparisons, epithets, figurative associations, symbolic assimilation. The focusing on the context of language units representing the concept of «Time» gives an opportunity to reveal the periphery of the concept, to describe the meaning shades that are not fixed in any lexicographical sources, and finally to discover the peculiarities of studied concept in linguocultural aspect.

Key words: concept, signature components of the concept, the concept of the active layer of the concept, the passive layer of the concept, language tools, a metaphor, an occasional metaphor, time, Timur Zulfikarov.

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**Тимур Зульфакировтің
дербесавторлық болмыс
бейнесіндегі «Уақыт» концепті**

Мақалада «Уақыт» концептінің құрылымдық компоненттері қарастырылып, әмбебап, ұлттық-мәдени және жеке авторлық қабаттары анықталады. Автор «Уақыт» концептінің «пассивті қабатына» егжей-тегжейлі сипаттама береді. Зерттеу нысаны ретінде атақты жазушы, ақын Тимур Зульфакировтің еңбектері қолданылады. Зерттеу барысында «Уақыт» концептін сипаттайтын темпоралдық реңкті сөздер, метафоралық анықтаулар, теңеу, эпитет, образдық ассоциациялар мен символ мағыналы сөздер секілді лексикалық бірліктер айқындалады. Тікелей «Уақыт» концептін қолдану контекстін қарастыру арқылы концепт өрісінің перифериясын дәлдеп, сөздіктерде бекітілмеген мағыналық реңктерді, сонымен қатар лингвомәдени ерекшеліктерін белгілеу жүзеге асырылады.

Түйін сөздер: концепт, концептінің дербес-авторлық компоненті, концептінің белсенді қабаты, концептінің пассивті қабаты, тілдік құралдар, метафора, эпитет, дербес-авторлық метафора, уақыт, Тимур Зульфакиров.

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**Концепт «Время»
в индивидуально-авторской
картине мира
Тимура Зульфикарова**

В статье рассматриваются содержательные компоненты базового концепта «Время». Выявляются универсальный, национально-культурный и индивидуально-авторский слои. Автор статьи подробно описывает «пассивный слой» концепта «Время». Материалом описания послужили произведения известного современного поэта и прозаика Тимура Зульфикарова. Исследователем были выделены языковые средства, репрезентирующие концепт «Время»: лексические единицы в прямом смысле – слова с темпоральной окраской, метафорические обозначения, сравнения, эпитеты, образные ассоциации, символические уподобления. Обращение к контексту употребления языковых единиц, репрезентирующих концепт «Время», позволило выявить периферию концепта и описать смысловые оттенки, не зафиксированные лексикографическими источниками, обнаружить лингвокогнитивные особенности исследуемого концепта.

Ключевые слова: концепт, индивидуально-авторский компонент концепта, активный слой концепта, пассивный слой концепта, языковые средства, метафора, окказиональная метафора, время, Тимур Зульфакиров.

**THE CONCEPT OF
«TIME» IN SIGNATURE
WORLDVIEW OF TIMUR
ZULFIKAROV**

Time is one of fundamental ontological categories. As rightly been noted by S.M. Tolstaya in her monograph titled «Semantic Categories of Language and Culture», time is a category «...comparable and commensurable with categories of space, matter (thingness) and motion» [1, 150]. Researchers consider attitude toward time to be a «culture-discriminative feature». «Cultural differences manifest themselves in the following: computation of time, segmentation of time and attitude towards time» [2, 190].

Physicists, philosophers, philologists and cultural experts unanimously agree that man is the subject of time perception. «This very «anthropological» aspect of time (perception and categorization of time, axiology of time, «use» of time by man) is a matter that interests researchers of language and culture above all» [1, 150]. «Philosophers consider time to be another name for life» [3, 80].

The concept of «Time» is described in sufficient detail in the dictionary compiled by Yu.S. Stepanov: «Constants. Dictionary of Russian Culture. Research Experience.» The author of the dictionary addressed the philosophical aspect of the concept, focusing on «superficial interpretation of the concept of «Time» in the culture of the Soviet period», on the official philosophical understanding of time, on time as understood by Newton; on theoretical and empirical concepts of time; on correlation of empirical and theoretical notions of time; on the origin of the idea of time; relativity of the concept of time in ethnic languages; relativization of the concept of «Time» against any description system, against Language in general; on time in history (the concept of «Time» in relation to the concepts of «History» and «Evolution» [4, 171].

The so-called «active layer» of the concept of «Time» is presented in publications by V.G. Gak, G.D. Gachev, V.A. Maslova and others as «a principal relevant attribute familiar to any man of culture and meaningful to the latter» [3, 54]. Based on the following properties of the concept: a unit for processing, storing and transmission of information, changeability of its boundaries, dynamism and variability of its content volume, direct link with human consciousness, and its «layered» structure (according to Yu.S. Stepanov) [4, 21], it is possible to describe the so-called «passive layers» [3, 21], the «quantas» of meaning introduced by native speakers through their personal experience. Firsthand experiences of prosaists and poets

provide the most interesting material for observation of the concept content.

As a complicated «mental complex» (according to V.A. Maslova's terminology), the concept of «Time» consists of panhuman (or universal) and national-cultural components, as well as individual ones created by authors. The panhuman component of the concept under consideration is systematized by Yu.S. Stepanov's in his «Dictionary» and reflects the following perceptions of time developed in European and Asian historiography: 1) «pulsating time», in classical mythology; 2) «lap time» or «cyclic time», in the ancient Greek and ancient Roman cultures, as well as in medieval Europe; further developed by F. Nietzsche; 3) Newtonian linear time, imagined as an infinite straight line; 4) Christian linear time, presented as a straight line to have a beginning and an end; 5) linear time, moving towards improvement and progress and presented as a straight line directed upward; 6) linear time, moving towards regress and presented as a straight line directed downward; 7) time as a sequence of points in Islamic historiography, as well as in the medieval European culture, interweaving with the Christian concept of linear time; 8) «spiral time» most clearly presented in writings by G. Vico, O. Schpengler and Joze Ortega-y-Gasset; 9) «annalistic time» or «time of annals», or «annalist's time»; 10) «chronicle time», or «chronicler's time»; 11) «historical time» proper, or «historian's time»; 12) «underlying time», or «invisible time» as opposed to the «visible» («datable») time [4, 184-185].

Individual components created by authors are presented in their writings and reflect their subjective perception of the category. Time, as an integral part of the language content, is reflected in units of different levels of language: as the category of tense at the morphological level, as words with temporal meanings at the lexical one, as temporal syntactical structures at the syntactical one.

Further we shall turn to creative work of Timur Zulfikarov who is not less interesting as a word-painter. He is a poet and prosaist, dramatist and script-writer, thinker-artist and philosopher. T. Zulfikarov is also a winner of prestigious literary and cinematographic prizes, such as «Collets», for the best novel of Europe (England, 1993), «Yassnaya Polyana» for an outstanding piece of Russian literature (Russia, 2004), «The Best Book of the Year» (Russia, 2005), Anton Delwig Prize (Russia, 2008), Hartley Merrill Prize (USA, 1991) for the best film script. He is called the most Tajik and most Russian, most religious and most pagan, most earthly and most unearthly, most tragic and most satirical, most

ascetic and most erotic, most Christian and most Islamic writer of modern times.

T.K. Zulfikarov's phantastic-mythological parable, «The Coral Viper» [5], and his poem «A Poet's Pilgrimage on Earth and in Heaven» [6] plunge the reader into the poet's spiritual world where time has lost its linear homogeneous nature, where the times of Creation and our present co-exist simultaneously. This is achieved through a skillful combination of fragments referring to different time segments and a set of images and figures of speech, as well as through composition of his writings. The concept of «Time» is represented mostly by events.

T. Zulfikarov's works are divided into chapters which seem to randomly follow one after another but frequent repetitions, digressions from the key plotline, descriptive inserts, inclusions of parables, including those created by Dervish «Z», help to unwind not a consistent chain of events but an associative bond of thoughts and feelings to create a sophisticated «temporal pattern». Hence the unexpected and organic coexistence in one context, first of all, of recollections of the long-gone history, the «blue-eyed» country of Sogdiana, ancestral home of contemporary Tajiks and apocalyptic descriptions of the «Moscoviya-Babylonia» of today. Secondly, there is an association between the history of ancient Persian kings and the chronicle of the kith-on-kin war in Tajikistan after the collapse of the Soviet Union. Thirdly, there are ancient legends revived, biblical events interwoven with modern life. In the fourth place, presence of toponyms and anthroponyms occurring in the sacred text of the Avesta, such as Sogdiana, Zoroaster, alongside with names of Russian saints – John of Cronschtadt, Saint Lazarus, and Christian apostles, Paul and Peter. The combination of time strata into a single flow does not reflect regular linear time and a consistent succession of historical events; it rather covers multidirectional «fan-shaped» time. The poet manages to fit a millenium into an instant. Events that in real time took place in different epochs are merged into a single whole. For example, the story of Academician Aminadav Kalontarov's love for Anna, an Angel with Silver Hair, unwinds against the background of the three-millennium history of the ancient Persian state, the history of pre-Islamic Middle Asia and a millennium-long history of the Christian Russia.

Reviving the history of the ancient Sogdiana, events of the time of Dariy Goushtasp I, a half-legendary king, Zoroaster's contemporary and patron, having included a «parallel» story of the passionate love of Genghis Khan's Cuman wife narrated alongside with the love story of Gulssum Hoursand

Ashourbanipal, Gulya's mother, mixing terrible times of Stalin's repressions with the epoch of perestroika under Gorbachyov and Yeltsyn, the poet achieves the effect of eliminating time boundaries, and, within a single plotline, he brings together different hypostases of time, breaks temporal «partitions» between epochs and historical events, thus converging different historical events, different epochs, different cultures.

T.K. Zulfikarov combines not only events of historical and real times, but also those of real and mythological times. Due to integraton of a myth into the novel structure, in the picture of the world created by Timur Zulfikarov, time is no longer linear, unidirectional and irreversible; it turns into a mythical one in which events are beyond any time. According to V.A. Maslova, the mythical time is beyond folk memory, and «it is difficult to tell which event is prior to another» [3, 82]. In an epic story, events are presented as taking place during a certain real time that could be dated, whereas in a mythological story events appear to be «omnitemporal, panchronistic». When the mythological and epic planes are combined, there occurs a transfer from one system of representation to another which we observe in T. Zulfikarov's writings.

In myths of different peoples «time is usually associated with either a number, or a circle, or water, or fire» [7, 103]. T.K. Zulfikarov's mythical time goes back to symbolic mythopoetical images of the river and tree.

The river symbolizes time, and the poet is travelling along its flows (see «A Poet's Pilgrimage on Earth and in Heaven» where the poet, on stepping into a river, saw his past: his prewar childhood of famine, Russia of the times of Genghiz Khan and Vladimir the Baptizer). The river is an endpoint, a threshold, an edge, a line on crossing which one finds himself in a supertemporal world of a myth, in eternal cycling of existence.

The tree is a vertical going through the whole structure of the universe, a link between times and generations, the tree of life. T.K. Zulfikarov presents the mythological tree as a chenar or sweet cherry. The millennium-old 'Chenar» harmonizes the chaos of existence, helps to overcome death and oblivion. The Sogdian «Cherry» whose secret is linked with that of the coral viper and the Creation goes back to the biblical image of the Tree of Knowledge of Good and Evil. Further on, the mythical time turns into the Christian one, and the mythical cherry transforms into the Old Testament Tree of Knowledge of Good and Evil. So, the Christian parable of the Expulsion of Adam and Eve from Eden is interwoven with the

narrative design and brings to another combination of time strata.

The above analysis brings to the conclusion that the mental whole of the concept of «Time» comprises both a panhuman (universal) and ethnic-cultural components, as well as individual, author-created ones. The first two components are described in scientific literature in sufficient detail, but the latter, individual author-created meanings to reflect literary and philosophic interpretation of time by poets and writers, appears to be fragmentary. Some observations of time as understood by such Russian poets as I. Annensky, A. Block, A. Beliy and V. Khlebnikov can be found in V.P. Grigoriyev's works [8].

Upon analyzing representation of the concept of «Time» in writing by T.K. Zulfikarov, we could share the following conclusions: the concept under study is presented through versatile language means, such as lexical units in their direct meanings, metaphorical naming units, comparisons, epithets, a set of figures of speech, figurative associations, and symbolic framings. The concept representation involves also some other phenomena that have not been previously considered in linguistic literature, such as rhythm and paragraph, characteristic of formal structuring of fiction. They are used to slow down the action development, impart the narration with certain meditateness, and suggest a thought about «viscosity» of time and its dependence on man's emotional state.

There is another specific way of time representation used by these authors: unraveling plots according to the principle of clipping composition, changes in picturing angles to make time multidimensional and multidirectional. Eventful plots are another way to embody the concept of «Time».

With regard to understanding of time, writing by T.K. Zulfikarov is characterized by a certain ambivalence manifesting itself through intertwinement of historical and mythological times. Time, when converged, becomes instantaneous. In such a way, the conventional conception of events succession is broken. Using time shifts, sudden transfers of scenes from one location to another, word-painter destroy time fences between events. He perceive reality not in local historical segments, but in the scale of epochs following one another, in superpositioning of the above.

A stereoscopic picture of the volatile world is created through the use of artistic conditionality, symbolics, parable principle, enhanced metaphoricalness, deviation from conventional logic in unraveling of plots, mixing different cultural traditions: from the Sufi meditation and antique tragedy up to

ancient Russian songs of lamentation and modern language games; all these enable to cover quite a long period of time, from the Creation up to nowadays, in a relatively small piece of fiction.

Through the use of the above stylistic devices, the concept of «Time» is «saturated with» both universal and individual, author-created, contents.

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**Лексические репрезентации
концепта «тоска» через
признаки растения
(статья вторая)**

Научное исследование посвящено изучению проблемы лексических репрезентаций концепта «тоска» с позиции семантико-когнитивного подхода. Новизна исследования заключается в описании когнитивной модели лексико-семантического поля концепта «тоска» через признаки растения, что отражает исследуемый концепт в языковом сознании носителей языка. С целью получить доступ к содержанию концепта как мыслительных единиц установлен смысловой объем концепта по следующей схеме: прямые номинации концепта (ключевое слово-репрезентант концепта, которое избирается исследователем в качестве имени концепта и имени номинативного поля, и его системные синонимы); производные номинации концепта (переносные, производные); контекстуальные синонимы; окказиональные индивидуально-авторские номинации; метафорические номинации; устойчивые сравнения с ключевым словом; образные концептуальные признаки, которые характеризуют концепт; художественные тексты, раскрывающие содержание концепта, которые свидетельствуют о том, что признаки растения, представленные лексической синонимией, наиболее точно отражают эмоции и структурируют языковое сознание человека.

Ключевые слова: концепт, семантико-когнитивный подход, языковое сознание, лексическая синонимия, признаки растения.

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**The lexical representation of the
concept «anguish» over the signs
of plant (second article)**

The scientific study investigates the problem of lexical representations of the concept «anguish» from the perspective of semantic-cognitive approach. The novelty of the research is to describe the cognitive model of lexical-semantic field of the concept of «anguish» after signs of plant, which reflects the concept of the study in the linguistic consciousness of native speakers. In order to gain access to the content of the concept as thought units installed semantic scope of the concept as follows: direct nomination of the concept (keyword – represent of the concept, which is elected by the researcher as the name of the concept and the name of the nominative of the field, and its system synonyms); derivatives nomination concept (portable, derivatives); contextual synonyms; occasional individual authors nomination; metaphorical nomination; stable comparing with the keyword; figurative conceptual features that characterize the concept, literary texts that reveal the content of the concept which suggests that the signs of the plant represented by the lexical synonyms, most accurately reflect the emotions and structured linguistic consciousness.

Key words: concept, semantic-cognitive approach, language awareness, lexical synonymy, the signs of the plant.

Котлярова И.В.
**«Сағыныш» концептін өсімдік
белгілері арқылы лексикалық
қайта таныстыру
репрезентациялау
(екінші мақала)**

Ғылыми зерттеу «сағыныш» концептін лексикалық қайта таныстыру (репрезентациялау) проблемаларын семантико-когнитивті тәсілі позициясынан зерттеуге арналған. Зерттеудің жаңалығы – онда «сағыныш» концептінің когнитивті үлгісінің лексико-семантикалық өрісін өсімдік белгілері арқылы тіл иесінің тіл санасындағы зерттеудегі концепті көрсетуі болып табылады. Концепттің мағынасына ойлағыштық бірліктер ретінде мүмкіндік алу мақсатымен келесі сызбанұсқа бойынша концепттің мағыналы көлемі белгіленген: концепттің тура номинациясы (концепттің аты ретінде зерттеуші таңдайтын және номинативті өрістің аты және оның жүйелі синонимдері); концепттің туынды номинациялары (тасымалды, туынды); контекстуалды синонимдер; окказионалды жеке-авторлық номинациялар; ауыспалы (метафоралық) номинациялар; негізгі сөзбен тұрақты салыстырмалар; концептті сипаттайтын бейнелі концептуалды белгілер; лексикалық синонимия арқылы көрсетілген өсімдік белгілері эмоцияларды ең нақтырақ көрсетіп, адам баласының тіл санасын құрылымдайтын концепттің мағынасын ашатын көркем мәтіндер.

Түйін сөздер: концепт, семантико-когнитивті тәсіл, тіл санасы, лексикалық синонимия, өсімдік белгілері.