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**Abstract**

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The research is dedicated to the analysis of the use of modal verbs in political discourse. The paper consists of two parts: theoretical where the overview of the previous research on the topics of modality and modal verbs is presented and practical where the analysis of the data is provided.

The aim of this paper is to trace the differences (the subject of the research) in the use of modals (the object of the research) in speeches of British and American politicians of the1970s and 2010s. The methods used are collection of data, analysis of the found material and comparative analysis. The research is based on the analysis of the 1388 modal verbs found in twenty four speeches of British and American women and men politicians of the XX and XXI centuries analyzed. The analysis covered the general density of the modal verbs used, the variability and the frequency of the occurrence of particular verbs in political speeches. Certain modern tendencies in the use of modal verbs have been distinguished.

This research is to help to understand the nature, meanings and specificity of modals; to explain the peculiarities of modal verbs. The socio-cultural peculiarities in the use of modals contribute to memorizing and understanding the meanings, peculiarities of modal verbs and reflect the national character of the language.