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This research deals with lexical choices of English speakers of different social classes. Structurally, the paper falls into two parts: theoretical part which is dedicated to the description of the previous studies in the same field and practical part which focuses on the analysis of the use of class-indicators mentioned in the theoretical part. Language can reveal personal information such as social class of speakers. Social class, in its turn, plays a great role in everyday life of the Brits. That is why it is important to study linguistic class indicators. This study may be useful for further sociolinguistic research, as it analyses the language of members of different social classes in Britain. Moreover, this study may be helpful while dealing with translation.

The aim of this paper is to try to update the existing system of linguistic social class indicators, analyzing the word choice of members of different social classes in Great Britain on the basis of data available in media (new articles, TV series and documentary films which reflect today’s reality). The analysis consists of three steps: examples of class indicators in context taken from the aforementioned sources, their etymological definitions and conclusions based on the way these indicators were used and their etymological definitions. The results indicate that most of lexical class distinctions described in the theoretical part are still valid which proves that the system remains rather stable and is not likely to change in the observable future.

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