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DEVELOPMENT OF ENGLISH VOCABULARY FROM the 12th to 19th c.

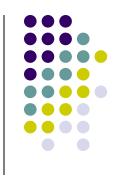


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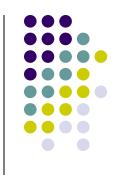


1. General characteristics



- The English vocabulary of today reflects as no other aspect of the language the many changes in the history of the people and various contacts which the English speakers had with many nations and countries.
- Changes in the vocabulary: losses of words or their meanings, replacements and additions

Lexical changes



- Losses were connected with events in external history: with the changing conditions of life and the obsolescence of many medieval concepts and customs:
- OE witenazemōt 'assembly of the elders' ceased to exist under the Norman rule)

Lexical changes

- 80 85% of the OE words went out of use in the succeeding periods.
- Most of these words were not simply lost; they were replaced by other words of the same or similar meanings.
- Replacement < co-existence and rivalry of synonyms and the ultimate selection of one of the rivals:
- OE clipian > ME callen, NE call;
- OE niman > ME taken, NE take;
- OE pronouns hie and heo > they and she;
- OE weorðan > become;
- NE river < OE ea;
- NE table < OE bord

Lexical changes



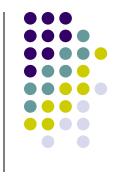
- Additions embrace a large number of vocabulary changes - the process of obsolescence and decay.
- Additions: pure innovations = entirely new words which did not take the place of any other items but were created to name new things, new ideas and new qualities
- ME citee 'town with a cathedral', duke, duchesse, prynce - new ranks and titles; NE bourgeois, potato, nylon.





- large number of foreign words in English ≠ the vocabulary has lost its Germanic nature.
- functional role of the native element:
- the notions expressed by native words, their regularity and frequency of occurrence > Germanic element still holds a fundamental place, and the English vocabulary should be called Germanic.

2. Native element in Modern English



- English native words form two ethymological strata:
- the Common Indo-European stratum
- and the Common Germanic stratum.

2.1. Common Indo-European stratum

- the oldest in the vocabulary
- existed thousands of years B.C., at the time when it was yet impossible to speak about separate Indo-European languages
- Common Indo-European vocabulary has been inherited by many modem Indo-European languages, not only Germanic
- This is often a possible proof of these words belonging to the Common Indo-European stratum:

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Russian
English
         Latin
Mother mater
                   мать
Brother frater
                   брат
Night
         nox(noctem)
                      НОЧЬ
Be fieri
               быть
stand
         stare
                   СТОЯТЬ
Two
         duo
                   два
Three
         tres
                   три
ten
      decern
                десять
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2.2. Common Germanic stratum

- words inherited from Common Germanic (exist before it began splitting into various subgroups around the 1st century B.C. – 1st century A.D).
- These words can be found in various Germanic languages, but not in Indo-European languages other than Germanic.

English	German	Swedish
Man	mann	man
Earth	erde	jord
Harm	harm	harm
Green	griin	gron
Grey	grau	gra

3. Means of enriching vocabulary in Middle English

3.1. Internal means of enriching vocabulary



- Word formation fell into two types: word derivation and word composition
- Suffixation has always been the most productive way of deriving new words
- most of the OE productive suffixes have survived
- many new suffixes have been added from internal and external sources

- OE -ere > -er
- from various stems (native + foreign > hybrids)
- ME partener, fermer, villager
- Londoner, Southerne;
- knocker, roller;
- boiler 'one who boils' in the 16th c. and a 'vessel for boiling' in the 19th c.;
- NE: follower, flyer, hearer, listener, teacher, speaker (from native stems);
- admirer, entertainer, producer (from foreign stems).
- Its new meaning:rectifier, revolver, type-writer.
- The suffix -er had several rivals among synonymous borrowed affixes -or, -ist, -ite, but it surpassed them all in productivity







- productive suffixes -ness and -ing
- The suffix -ness was equally productive in all historical periods:
- alertness, consciousness, politeness (borrowed stems).
- highly productive suffix of abstract nouns -ME -ing:

ME beginning, feeling, spelling, preeching, NE shopping



- -dom, -ship and -hood in all historical periods:
- ME sheriffdom, dukedom, NE boydom, churchdom; ME brotherhood, manhood, NE bookhood, inval-idhood; ME hardship, courtship, NE editorship, relationship
- A new suffix -man < a root-morpheme in ME.
- In NE -man > highly productive
- some words with -man have the connecting element
 -s kinsman, statesman



OE -isc, ME -ish

OE Englisc, cildisc (NE childish),

ME sleepish, foolish; NE bookish, modish, feverish (the last two examples illustrate its use with foreign stems),

ME and NE reddish, greenish

• OE -i3, ME -y:

ME fiery, sleepy, faulty, NE hairy, risky, faulty and risky have Romance stems.

OE –lic > ME and NE -ly < from a root-morpheme:

ME fatherly, manly, masterly, beestly,

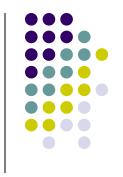
Early NE neighbourly, lonely, cowardly.

- ME -less < OE -leas 'devoid of' > the most productive suffixes:
- ME helpless, sleepless, NE heartless, fearless (native stems); ME colourless, joyless, NE motionless, powerless (borrowed stems).
- OE and ME -ful < morphological simplification OE adjective full
 suffix as early as ME:
- ME harmful, wilful, NE hopeful, wishful (with native stems); beautiful, joyful, lawful, respectful (with borrowed stems French, Scandinavian and Latin).
- Verb suffixes of native origin:never productive in English.
- In ME one native suffix -en to derive verbs from monosyllabic adjectives, mainly native:

gladden, lighten, weaken;

• sometimes it is applied to noun-stems (derived from adjectives in Early OE with the help of **-b**): **strong – strength - strengthen**.





- Borrowed Suffixes > an important place in English word derivation.
- Borrowed suffixes entered the English language with the two biggest waves of loan-words: French loans in ME and classical loans in Early NE



- -able: acceptable, admirable, endurable, presentable (with borrowed stems), breakable, shakable (with native English stems - break, shake).
- -ess: ME authoress, princess, captainess with borrowed stems, goddess, huntress - with native stems; NE governess, butleress, priestess.
- -ee: ME grantee, NE employee, addressee (also with native stems: trustee)
- -or: (≈ native suffix -er): collector, educator + a secondary meaning of 'instrument': refrigerator, compressor



- Early NE -ist, -ite:
- columnist, capitalist, structuralist (also Darwinist from the name of Darwin); Muscovite, Ibsenite
- -ance or -ence, -ty, -age, -ry, -ment + Franco-Latin
 -tion / -sion + Latin or Greek -ism:
- avoid-ance, and hindr-ance (a hybrid with a native stem), peerage, leekage and stowage (with the native stem stow). NE formations with borrowed suffixes are: forbearance, shortage, goosery, sophistry (Gr), readability, fulfilment, starvation, Darwinism.

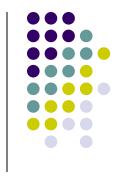


- -able / -ible (≠ adjective able 'able to act or be acted upon. Cf. capable, drinkable, eatable.
- -ous 'abounding in': dubious, ferocious, tremendous, lustrous, thunderous, righteous
- -al and -ic (+ -ive): economical, atomic, defective



- -ise and -fy (highly productive): memorise, militarise, normalise, but womanise (native stem); -fy - classify, intensify.
- Borrowed affiexes entered the system of English word-building; some of them are as productive as native affixes
- Semantically and stylistically most borrowed affixes belong to the language of science, literature, politics, philosophy
- creation of new terms with these affixes is based on borrowed roots.
- high frequency of the affixes = sufficient proof of their complete assimilation and productivity





- Many OE verb prefixes dropped out of use,
 e.g. a-, to-, on-, of-, ze-, or-.
- In some words the prefix fused with the root and the structure of the word was simplified, e.g.: (on-, be-) begin, (to-)break.

Prefixation. Native Prefixes



- The negative prefixes mis- and un- > a great number of new words: NE misjudge, mispronounce, mislead, unscale, unreal, unfamiliar, etc.
- ME ut- > out: outlook, outspoken; ME outcast, NE outbalance;
- ME ofer > over-: ME overgrowe(n), NE overload, overlook; ME overcaste(n), overtaken, NE overdress, overestimate, overpay;
- ME under > under-: ME underwrite(n), NE underfeed, undermine

Borrowed Prefixes



- com-, sub- and re-: re-act, re-adjust, re-fill, re-construct, re-open, re-attack, re-awake
- de- and dis-: disconnect, disroot (borrowed stems), disbelieve, dislike, disown.
- en-/in-: enablen, enclosen, NE encamp, endanger, enlist, enrich (with borrowed stems).
- hybrids with native stems: NE embody, entwine, entrust

Borrowed Prefixes



- in- (and its variants in- / im- / il- / ir-) = negative meaning (+ native mis-, un-, borrowed non-) > numerous synonyms: unpleasant, displeasant; unpossible, impossible; disable, unable, non-able; unfirm, infirm, NE disbelief misbelief, inhuman non-human)
- non- (Franco-Latin origin) > highly productive: NE non-attendance, non-Germanic, non-aggression, non-existent,

Borrowed Prefixes



- affixes of the international layer, mostly used with stems of Latin and Greek origin:
- anti- (Gr) anti-aircraft, anti-climax;
- co-(L) co-exist, co-operate, co-ordinate;
- ex-(L) ex-champion, ex-president;
- extra- (L) extra-mural, extra-ordinary;
- post- (L) post-position, post-war;
- pre-(L) pre-classical, pre-written (In this list only writ is a native English root);
- semi- (L) semi-circle, semi-official.

3.2. External means of enriching vocabulary



- The principal means of enriching vocabulary in ME are not internal, but external – borrowings.
- Two languages in succession enriched the vocabulary of English —
- the Scandinavian language and the French language
- Nature of the borrowings and their amount < contacts between the English and these languages

Scandinavian borrowings



- Words of Scandinavian > the 8th the 10th centuries < Scandinavian invasions and settlement on the British Isles
- the amount of words borrowed ≈ about 500
- some linguists more: similarity of the languages and scarcity of written records + word could be inherited from the same Common Germanic source
- constant contacts and intermixture of the English and the Scandinavians > many changes in different spheres of the English language: wordstock, grammar and phonetics.
- The relative ease < circumstances of the Anglo-Scandinavian contacts

Scandinavian borrowings



- Nouns: law, fellow, sky, skirt, skill, skin, egg, anger, awe, bloom, knife, root, .bull, cake, husband, leg, wing, guest, loan, race, bag, band, brink, bulk, crook, dirt, gap, gate, raft, score, scrap, seat, skim, skull, window, wing
- Adjectives: big, weak, wrong, ugly, twin, awkward, flat, happy, ill, loose, low, odd, rotten, scares, sly, tight

Scandinavian borrowings

- Verbs: call, cast, take, happen, scare, hall, want, bask, gape, give, get, forgive, forget, kindle, bait, crawl, cut, die, gasp, hit, lift, raise, rid, scatter, snub, thrive, thrust
- Pronouns: they, them, their, then.
- Other form-words borrowed from Scandinavian are: both, though, fro (= native from > to and fro).



- 1. a borrowed word had no synonym (addition): **law, fellow.**
- 2. The E. synonym was ousted by the borrowing (replacement): Sc. taken (to take) and callen (to call) <=> E. synonyms niman and clypian



 3. Both the words (E. and Sc. Preserved > different in meaning:

Native Scandinavian borrowing

heaven sky

starve die

Phonetic / spelling features of Sc. words:

- —words with sk / sc in the spelling: sky, skin, skill, scare, score, scald, busk, bask (but not some Old French borrowings as task, scare, scan, scape)
- —words with the sound [g] or [k] before front vowels [i], [e] [ei], in the spelling i, e, ue, ai, a (open syllable) or at the end of the word: give, get, forgive, forget, again, gate, game, keg, kid, kilt, egg, drag, dregs, flag, hug, leg, log, rig
- personal names ending in -son: Jefferson, Johnson or
- place names ending in -ly, -thorp, -toft (originally meaning "village", "hamlet"): Whitly, Althorp, Lowestoft.
- Mainly in the north-east of England < the Scandinavian influence was stronger



 a borrowed word and an English word = etymological doublets (words originating from the same source in Common Germanic)

Native Scandinavian borrowing

shirt skirt

shatter scatter

raise rear



- 5. an English word = Scandinavian in meaning but slightly different phonetically
- Sc. phonetic form > in E.: ModE to give, to get < Sc. gefa, geta, E. ziefan and zietan →
- Similar ModE: gift, forget, guild, gate, again
- 6. A shift of meaning: dream originally "joy, pleasure"; under the Sc. influence > modern meaning

French borrowings



- The French element in E- large and important
- ME borrowings < Norman French the dialect of William the Conqueror and his followers.
- entered the language in the period beginning with the time of Edward the Confessor and continued up to the loss of Normandy in 1204.
- Norman conquest > deep traces in English < words connected with such spheres of social and political activity: French-speaking Normans had occupied for a long time all places of importance.
- The amount of these ME borrowings ≈ 3,500.

 government and legislature: assembly, authority, chancellor, council, country, crown, court, govern, government, nation, office, parliament, people, power, realm, sovereign, noble, baron, prince, duke, duchess, feudal, manorcount, countess, justice, judge, crime, damage, false, guilt, heir, injury, interest, jury, marry, marriage, money, penalty, poor, poverty, properly, prove, prison, rent, robber, session, traitor, condemn, sentence, etc. (But: lord, lady, king, queen, earl, knight are native);

- military life: army, banner, battle, captain, company, defeat, escape, force, lieutenant, navy, sergeant, siege, soldier, troops, vessel, peace, victory, general, colonel, major, etc.
- religion: abbey,altar, archangel, Bible, baptism, cell, chapel, charity, clergy, divine, grace, honour, glory, lesson, miracle, paradise, parish, pray, preach, procession, religion, rule, sacrifice, saint, save, sermon, tempt, virgin, virtue;

- architecture, house and furniture: arch, castle, tower, cellar, chimney, column, couch, curtain, cushion, lamp, mansion, palace, pillar, porch, table, wardrobe, chair (but stool is English);
- art: art, beauty, colour, design, figure, image, ornament, paint;
- city crafts: painter, tailor, carpenter,
 butcher, draper, grocer (but country occupations remained English: shepherd, miller, shoemaker, smith)

- pleasure and entertainment: joy, delight, ease,
 comfort, sport, music, art, feast, pleasure, leisure;
- meals and dishes: supper, dinner, sauce, boil, fry, roast, toast, soup, sausage, jelly, pork, beef, mutton, veal, bacon, brawn, venison (but the corresponding names of domestic animals remained English. It is often repeated since Walter Scott made it popular in 'Ivenhoe', that while the names of several animals taken care of by the lower classes are English pig, ox, cow, calf, sheep, swine, bear, deer, they appear on the table with French names)



- fashion, garment: apparel, boot, coat, collar, costume, dress, fur, garment, gown, jewel, robe;
- words of everyday life: air, place, river, large, age, boil, branch, brush, catch, chain, chair, table, choice, cry, cost;
- forms of address: sir, madam, mister, mistress, master, servant;
- relationship: aunt, uncle, nephew, cousin

- miscellaneous: advice, air, allow, anxious, boil, carry, change, clos, cover, deceive, doble, eager, enjoy, ente, envy, excuse, face, firm, flower, honest, hour, joy, large, letter, manner, move, necessary, nice, noise, obey, occupy, pale, pass, please, previous, push, river, remember, satisfy, search, scissors, single, sudden, sure, travel, treasure, very, use



- 1. denote notions unknown to the English up to the time: government, parliament, general, colonel
- 2. The English synonym is ousted by the French borrowing:

English Frenchmicel largehere armyea river

3. Both the words are preserved, but they are stylistically different:



English French

to begin to commence

to work to labour

to leave to abandon

freedom liberty

brotherhood fraternity

life existence

look regard

ship vessel

hearty welcome cordial reception

- French borrowing = more literary or even bookish
- English word = common; (but: foe (native, English) enemy (French borrowing)



- 4. many words were borrowed with the same word-building affix > became clear to the English-speaking people > entered the system of word-building means > word-hybrids:
- -ment (government, parliament, agreement) > English-French hybrids: fulfilment, amazement.
- -ance/-ence (innocence, ignorance, repentance) >
 word-hybrids:hindrance

French borrowings admirable, tolerable, reasonable - readable, eatable, unbearable.

- 5. borrowings from French \rightarrow ethymological doublets
- from the Common Indo-European:

native borrowed

fatherly paternal

- from the Common Germanic:

Native borrowed

yard garden

ward guard

choose choice

– from Latin:

Earlier Later

(Old English) (Middle English)

borrowing borrowing

Mint money

inch ounce





 great number of French borrowings > families of words: similar in meaning different in origin:

native borrowed

mouth oral

sun solar

see vision



7. There are calques on the French phrase:

It's no doubt – Se n'est pas doute

Without doubt – Sans doute

Out of doubt – Hors de doute.

4. New English

4.1. General Characteristics



- The language in NE is growing very rapidly, the amount of new words exceeds the number of obsolete ones manifold.
- Both internal means and external means are used for the purpose of enriching the vocabulary

4.2. Means of enriching vocabulary in New English

4.2.1. Internal means of enriching vocabulary



- a new, specifically English way of word derivation conversion (also known as "functional change
- The word > another part of speech with an identical initial form:

book (a noun): book – books

book (a verb): book – books – booked – booking

The **book** is on the table. – He **booked** a room.

man (n) – man (v), stone (n) – stone (v) – stone (adj) (as in "a stone bench"), etc.

Conversion

- Conversion < grammatical and lexical changes during the ME period.
- The loss of endings and suffixes > a large number of E. verbs and nouns identical in form:

OE lufu n > Late ME love n - love(n) v > NE love n,

Late ME chaunge *n* (from Fr.) > NE change *n*, *v*.

nouns < verbs:

Early NE drive n < drive v, paint n < paint v.

break < break; NE look < look

Conversion



- A borrowed noun > frequently into a verb: *blitz*, *camouflage*, *sabotage*.
- Most parts of the body > verbs:

We can **head** a ball, a group of people or a list; we **elbow** or **shoulder** our way through a crowd; we can **eye** a person with dislike or suspicion; children sometimes **cheek** their elders if they cannot **stomach** the way in which they are treated. One can **nose** around, **finger** some knick-knacks, **thumb** a book, **face** a danger, etc.

Word-Derivation



- Sound interchanges never a productive means in E.: instances of sound interchanges few, in NE their role grew. Cf. the resulting vowel interchanges in NE clean - cleanse, wild - wilderness, wise – wisdom
- result of weakening and loss of many suffixes and grammatical endings > sound interchanges the only means of distinction : song - sing, tale - tell, full - fill, sit - set.

Word-Derivation



- The role of stress in word-building <
 weakening and loss of final syllables → no
 other differences:
- Early NE 'contrast n and con'trast v
- NE 'export ex'port, 'conduct con'duct, 'increase - in'crease

4.2.2. External means of enriching vocabulary



- Very many new words in NE < borrowing sociolinguistic factors into consideration
- Chronologically NE borrowings:
 Early New English period XV–XVII centuries
 late New English XVIII–XX centuries

Early New English borrowings (XV—XVII centuries)



 XV c. – the epoch of Renaissance > many words borrowed from the Italian tongue: aria, bass, concerto, duet, finale, solo, sonata, piano, soprano, tenor, cameo, archipelago, dilettante, fresco, violin, balcony, corridor, design, gallery, granite, parquet, pedestal, studio, gondola, grotto, volcano



 in the XVI century – Spanish and Portuguese words:

armada, barricade, cannibal, cargo, embargo, escapade; banana, canoe, chocolate, cocao, collibri, maize, negro, potato, ranch, tobacco, tomato, tornado, mosquito, renegade, matador;

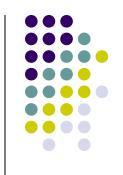


Dutch loan-words:

pack, scour, spool, stripe, hops, tub, scum, bowline, buoy, cruise, deck, dock, freight, keel, skipper, easel, landscape, sketch



- Latin (the language of culture of the time):
- verbs, with the characteristic endings -ate,
 ute: aggravate, abbreviate, exaggerate,
 frustrate, separate, irritate, contribute,
 constitute, persecute, prosecute, execute
- -adjectives ending in -ant, -ent, -ior, -al: arrogant, reluctant, evident, obedient, superior, inferior, senior, junior, dental, cordial, filial.

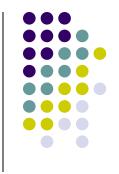


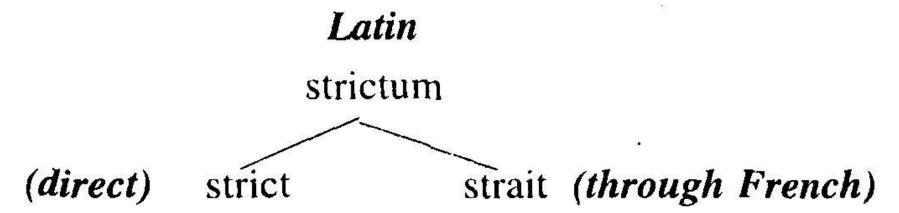
 French and Latin loan-words in E< one and the same root, i.e. they are etymological doublets:

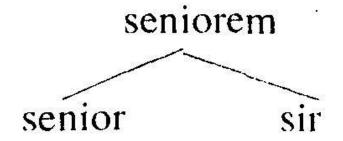
sever – separate, royal – regal, sure – secure, defeat – defect, pursue – prosecute,

fragile – frail, pauper – poor, hospital – hotel, history – story, example – sample

Etymological doublets

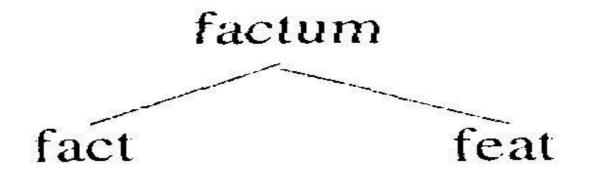


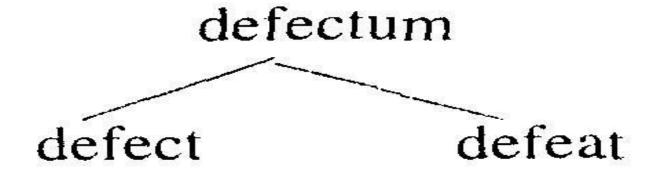


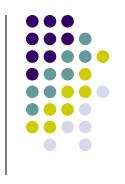


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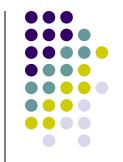






 XVII c. - relations with the peoples of America:

canoe, maize, potato, tomato, tobacco, mahogany, cannibal, hammock, squaw, moccasin, wigwam



French borrowings:

aggressor, apartment, brunette, ball, ballet, billet, caprice, coquette, intrigue, fatigue, naïve, campaign, caprice, caress, console, coquette, cravat, billet-doux, carte blanche

Later: garage, magazine, policy, machine.

French Borrowings Origin



- Phonetics of French borrowings always helps to prove their origin
- These phonetic features: stress and special sound/letter features:
- Words which do not have stress on the first syllable unless the first syllable is a prefix are almost always French borrowings of the New English period.
- Words containing the sounds [] spelled not sh, [dʒ] not dg, [tʃ] not ch and practically all words with the sound [ʒ] = French origin:

aviation, social, Asia, soldier, jury, literature, pleasure, treasure

Late New English borrowings (XVIII-XX centuries)



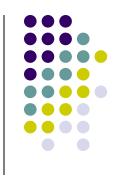
German:

cobalt, nickel, zinc, dynamics, kindergarten, halt, stroll, poodle, waltz, wagon, boy, girl, blitz, bunker, fürer, Gestapo, nazi and some translation loans swan-song, standpoint, environment, superman, world outlook, class struggle, masterpiece



• French:

attaché, communiqué, dossier, ball, beau, cortege, cafe, coquette, hotel, picnic, restaurant, ballet, ensemble, essay, genre, brigade, corps, maneuver, marine, magazine, machine, garage, police, engine, nacelle, aileron, blouse, chemise, corsage, cravat, champagne, menu, soup, detail, entrance, moustache, progress, ticket



- Hindi (Indian): bungalow, jungle, indigo, shampoo, rajah, coshemere
- Chinese: coolie, tea
- Arabic: caravan, divan, alcohol, algebra, coffee, bazaar, orange, cotton, candy, chess, emir, moslem, Koran
- Australian: kangaroo, boomerang, lubra
- Czech robot; Polish mazurka, Malayan bamboo, Persian shawl, Japanese rickshaw, Australian boomerang, Polynesian taboo, Congolese zebra

- Russian:

- Before the October Revolution Russian realia of the time: borzoi, samovar, tsar, verst, taiga, astrakhan, beluga, boyar, copeck, intelligentsia, muzhik, rouble,trika, verst, vodka
- After the Revolution political role of this country in the world:
 Soviet, bolshevik, kolkhoz, Komsomol.
- Cultural and technical achievements:
 sputnik, lunnik, lunokhod, synchrophasotron, cosmonaut
- recently political terms:
- glasnost, perestroika
- translation loans:
- collective farm, Five-Year-Plan, wall newspaper, self-criticism.
- Russian suffix –nik: narodnik, kolkhoznik, udarnik, sputnik, lunnik, (peacenik 'active fighter for peace')

 NE: formed on the basis of Greek and Latin vocabulary: mainly scientific or technical terms:

telephone, telegraph, teletype, telefax, microphone, sociology, politology, electricity

to identify Latin loan-words of NE:

-ate: dominate, locate, separate

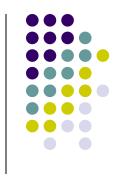
-ute: execute, prosecute

-ct: correct, inspect



- -ent, -ant: apparent, evident, important, reluctant; incident, accident
- Greek loan-words: ph for [f], ps for [s], ch for [k]: photography, psychology, scheme, archaic

5. Word-hybrids



 a large number of words: the elements of which are of different origin > generally termed word-hybrids

Word-hybrids



English	French

be- -cause because

a- -round around

a- curse accurse

out cry outcry

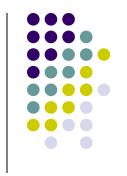
over power overpower

fore front forefront

salt cell(ar) salt-seller

false hood falsehood





French	English
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hobby horse

scape goat

trouble some

ful

plenty

aim- -less

re- take

hobbyhorse

scapegoat.

troublesome

plentiful

aimless

retake



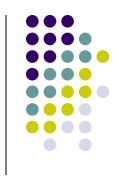


English Scandinavian

par- take partake

bandy- leg bandy-legged

Word-hybrids



French

re-

Scandinavian

call

recall

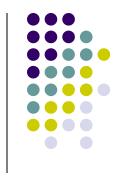
Latin

juxta-

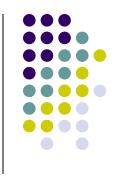
French

position

juxtaposition



- Etymological doublets: from the same word or root, but which entered English at different times or through different channels.
- The ultimate source of the doublets:



Ultimate Modern source doublets

Common Indo-European

*pater

fatherly

paternal

Period and channel

native

M.E. French borrowing





Common Germanic

*gher- yard native

garden M.E. French borrowing

*gens- choose native

choice M.E. French borrowing

*wer ward native

guard M.E. French borrowing

*sker shirt native

skirt M.E. Scandinavian borrowing

*skhed shatter native

scatter M.E. Scandinavian borrowing



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discus	disk disc	O.E. Latin borrowing N.E. Latin borrowing
moneta	mint money	O.E. Latin borrowing M.E. Latin borrowing
uncia	inch ounce	O.E. Latin borrowing M.E. Latin borrowing
defectum	defect defeat	N.E. Latin borrowing M.E. Latin borrowing
factum	fact feat	N.E. Latin borrowing M.E. Latin borrowing
seniorem	senior sir	N.E. Latin borrowing M.E. Latin borrowing



<u>Greek</u>

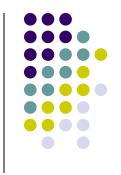
adamas diamond Early M.E. French borrowing

adamant Later M.E. French borrowing

fantasia fancy N.E. French borrowing

fantasy M.E. French borrowing





<u>Hebrew</u>

bāsām

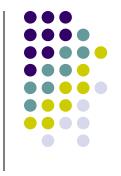
balm

balsam

M.E. French borrowing

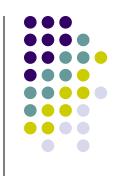
N.E. Latin borrowing

Conclusion



- The examples of various etymological strata in the Modern English vocabulary => a sufficient testimony of a long and complicated history of the English nation and the English language.
- They prove that language changes can be understood only in relation to the life of the people speaking the language

Thank you



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