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*EMOTIONAL-EXPRESSIVE SUBSTITUTES FOR AFFIRMATION
AND NEGATION IN COLLOQUIAL BULGARIAN LANGUAGE*

The article considers the expressive-emotional equivalents of yes and no that operate as substitutes for affirmation and negation in colloquial Bulgarian language. Affirmative and negative answers with yes and no are regarded as neutral in reference to stylistics, however their equivalents in colloquial speech are distinctly marked for emotional expressivity. The present author considers four groups of emotional-expressive substitutes for affirmation and negation as presented through particular grammar structures: 1) contextual words and phrases with modal, evaluative and exclamatory elements; 2) compoundings with irreducible morphological structure and irregular semantics; 3) finite sentences; 4) non-finite sentences.