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*HOW WAS HISTORY OF CULTURE TAUGHT*

*IN PLOVDIV EPARCHIAL BULGARIAN SCHOOL IN THE 1860s*

*About One Unresearched Handwritten Textbook by Yoakim Gruev*

*A handwritten textbook from the archives of Ivan Vazov Public Library in Plovdiv is discussed in this paper. Written in 1861 by Yoakim Gruev, it contains notes on cultural history and in essence is the first attempt to organize school knowledge of aesthetics in a systematic way. Its content offers new information on the history of the Bulgarian National Revival literature, on the history of science, and on the history of education amongst the Bulgarians. The paper reveals the thematic-topical scope and structure of the manuscript and provides evidence that it was used in the practice of the Bulgarian school in Plovdiv.*

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