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ON THE ADAPTATION OF THE JEWISH WORDS IN GEORGIAN (ACCORDING TO THE KUTAISI SPEECH)

The speech of Jews of Kutaisi has survived lexical units of Hebrew origin.

Theological terminology, characteristic to Jewish diaspora speech, originates from the Biblical texts (as *abeloba* – mourning, crying; *dadiani* – female cousin, in Kutaisi Jewish speech *dadiani* also means bridesmaid.

Jewish vocabulary is attested in Kutaisi slangs. These slangs are Georgianized Jewish words that can be found in Biblical texts as well (*gaasukhara* – he sold; *datira* – he saw, noticed; *ksiva* – a letter etc.)