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ARABIC LEXICAL UNITS IN GEORGIAN *PHRASEOLOGISMS* (ACCORDING TO T. SAKHOKIA'S *GEORGIAN FIGURATIVE WORDS AND EXPRESSIONS*)

Linguistic contacts between the Georgians and the oriental (Turkish, Arabic, Persian) world led to the borrowing of Arabic Lexical Units into Georgian.

Georgian literary language and Georgian dialects witness quite a large number of lexical units (words and phrases) borrowed from oriental languages, namely, from Arabic.

Lexical units of Arabic origin are taken into Georgian from Arabic through different ways and various periods. Part of the loan words is adopted as a result of direct linguistic communication, while the rest of the borrowings have been adopted through literary means directly from Arabic or other languages (i.e. Persian, Turkish, Armenian, etc.).

Lexical units of Arabic origin are actively used both independently and in fixed phrases, *Phraseologisms*. *The article deals with the types of expressions that involve Arabic words.*