

Theme:

**«THE COMPARATIVE ANALYSIS OF THE OE & ME/NE
VOCABULARY»**

4 year

4 hours

ASSIGNMENTS FOR INDIVIDUAL WORK:

I.

1. The General Survey of the OE Vocabulary:

- 1.1 Native words;
- 1.1.2 Common IE words, three main layers;
- 1.1.3 Common Germanic words;
- 1.1.4 OE words.
- 1.2 Foreign element in the OE Vocabulary. Causes of these borrowings:
 - 1.2.1 Celtic borrowings;
 - 1.2.2 Latin borrowings.
- 1.3. Word structure:
 - 1.3.1 Ways of word-formation;
 - 1.3.2 Word-derivation;
 - 1.3.3 Sound interchanges;
 - 1.3.4 Stress;
 - 1.3.5 Affixation (suffixation, prefixation);
 - 1.3.6 Composition.
- 1.4 Stylistic stratification of the OE Vocabulary.

2. The Profile of the ME/NE Vocabulary

- 2.1 Types and sources of the ME changes:
 - 2.1.1. Scandinavian influence;
 - 2.1.2 French influence;
 - 2.1.3 Borrowings from classical languages with special reference to the Age of the Renaissance;
 - 2.1.4 Borrowings from contemporary languages in the New English period.
- 2.2 Word structure:
 - 2.2.1 Ways of word-formation;
 - 2.2.2 Word-derivation;
 - 2.2.3 Sound interchanges;
 - 2.2.4 Stress;
 - 2.2.5 Affixation (suffixation, prefixation);
 - 2.2.6 Conversion.
 - 2.2.7 Composition: simplification, back formation.
- 2.3 Semantic changes in the ME/NE Vocabulary.

**II. A written analysis of the MAIN SIMILARITIES AND DIFFERENCES BETWEEN THE
VOCABULARY OF THE OE PERIOD AND THAT OF THE ME&NE PERIODS.**