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## **Assessment of Modern Loanwords by the Contemporary Czech Youth**

### **Abstract**

The article deals with specific symptoms of formal adaptation of modern loanwords within various spheres of language and their usage and assessment by the contemporary Czech pupils and students. It is based on the results of long-term research and extensive questionnaire search concentrated on the written forms of selected Anglicisms.

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### **Introduction**

Like most modern languages, the Czech language has faced many significant changes, particularly enlargement of its vocabulary connected with the development of society and the rise of denomination needs in various spheres. Besides word-formative procedures, the most significant source of lexicon enrichment is represented by borrowing lexical items from foreign languages. The Czech language has adopted foreign words during all of its history; the most numerous borrowings being of Latin, Greek, German and Romance origin (besides words borrowed from the typologically close Slavonic languages). During the last several decades the adoption of Anglicisms, i.e., internationalisms taken over through English (many of them being of Romance or other origin) has prevailed.