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### **LIBRARY IN WAR TIME**

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### БІБЛІОТЕКА У ВОЄННИЙ ЧАС

The educational program and the activity space of libraries are important and relevant. As Simone De Beauvoir, a French writer, existentialist philosopher, ideologist of feminism points out: «Change your life today. Don't play for the future, act now, without delay.» This is the rhythm currently followed by Ukrainian libraries. Since February 2022, Ukrainian libraries have strengthened their activities to meet the needs of citizens, becoming volunteer and consultation centers, sometimes even a great support for everyone.

On June 7–9, 2023, Ukrainian librarians together with their Lithuanian colleagues organized the Lithuanian-Ukrainian forum «The role of libraries in strengthening a democratic society». The event was held at the National Library of Lithuania. So, the following issues facing the library community today were emphasized, namely:

- destroyed, but already maximally restored libraries;
- lost millions of books and IDP librarians who are already collecting new books so that there is something to return home with;
- non-stop self-study of psychology, logistics, social work;
- de-Russification and decolonization of library funds, titles, consciousness of employees and visitors;
- educational work, explaining the reason for today's events, teaching the basics of information security and countering enemy propaganda.

On May 4–6, 2023, the Lviv Regional Library for Youth held the already traditional All-Ukrainian Forum of Military Writers. Despite the regular shelling of the Russians, on April 27 2023, the Sumy Regional Scientific Library organized the book forum «Love of Books Unites Us» and this is only a small number of examples of the power of libraries in our strong country.

The Okhtyrka Public Library is one of those libraries that tries to create comfort and coziness for all visitors and supports and helps the Defenders of Ukraine. Every day many people weave camouflage nets, make trench candles, knit warm socks and put notes with good wishes into them with wishes as well as collect humanitarian aid in the library.

The activities of the Okhtyrka Public Library in the conditions of a full-scale war highlight the following priority areas of work:

- protection of information space;
- setting goals aims at the formation of Ukrainian identity;
- struggle with a Russian-language book;
- exhibitions related to Ukrainian topics;
- entertainment for children;
- photo projects;
- literary projects;
- acquaintance with European countries;
- inviting psychologists to communicate;
- a corner for rest;
- charitable activity;
- information sessions.

In the spaces of social networks, you can observe how librarians try to present all the activities and what pleasure they get from it.

We can conclude that libraries play a very important role during wartime. It is they who help solve many issues of a different nature. The Okhtyrka Public Library can be said to be working for the victory of Ukraine: they provide assistance to displaced persons, digital support, and conduct training in medicine. They also organize fairs, educational programs, holidays, etc. Our librarians are very active volunteers. They care about each of us. The main thing is to help the Defenders of Ukraine, psychosocial support of children and families. The library workers are constantly engaged in weaving camouflage nets, making charms, sorting clothes and food products. The Okhtyrka Public Library has created a creative cultural space «Factory of Goodness and Recreation» where you can relax psychologically. It has been proved that during the war, libraries are left open for cooperation and assistance to every citizen and have proven their viability.

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#### **ENGLISH AS AN INTEGRAL ELEMENT OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGIES**

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# АНГЛІЙСЬКА МОВА ЯК НЕВІД'ЄМНА СКЛАДОВА ІНФОРМАЦІЙНИХ ТЕХНОЛОГІЙ

In contemporary world people can hardly imagine their lives without the Internet, where anyone can quickly find necessary information, contact with other people, create something and a lot of other opportunities. Information, by its nature, is a resource that can easily overcome any obstacles. The spatial structure of modern world depends much more on the functioning of networks, than on purely physical parameters. The new society is formed in such a way, that the acquisition, analysis and transmission of necessary information form fundamental sources of productivity, where companies and individuals can benefit from new opportunities to produce and distribute knowledge. All of these became the reason of development and dissemination of Information Technologies (IT), boost of many areas of work in the information services sector, and it is almost impossible to start business without IT technologies.

Nowadays, the Internet covers the whole world, from less developed countries to the most developed ones. But there might arise some problem in communication between different countries due to the use of national languages, so, to solve this problem, in the XX century, English established itself as the most important international language. In other words, it became the global language of the entire world community.

Being an international language, English is now used everywhere in the IT sphere — it's the language of business, which includes a countless number of technical terms that specialists use in daily work in order to provide opportunities to use their services in every country.

Proficiency in English in the IT field is considered not just an advantage, but a necessity. But is this really a must-have skill for every IT specialist? Many beginners in the IT sphere could believe that English is not so important and the main priority is to obtain qualification and find clients for their product. However, this is a huge misconception. Firstly, significant number of technological innovations and software are developed in the USA and Europe with English instructions and interface. In that case, a programmer possessing good English language skills has a considerable advantage, due to their ability