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## The Russian soul

Every person has a soul. The soul is an almost weightless part of the body responsible for our moral values. It grows and changes with us. As for properties and qualities of the soul, people's opinions are different in this.

But what is Russian soul? It is a property, a treasure and a pride of the nation that had been formed during a long historical and cultural development. If people talk about England "good old England", implying the preservation and observance of traditions, then about Russia they say "Holy Russia", assuming that Russia is a country historically oriented to spiritual life, a country that adheres to the traditional way of life. We try to know about the Russian and American soul.

The traditions of the Russian people are unique. Let's remember the favorite Shrovetide with mass eating pancakes. The meeting of the Old New Year: you can understand by the name that only Russians could create such a holiday. Be the way, when the Russians give girls in marriage, many customs must be observed to ensure that the marriage was happy.

There is no one much kinder than a Russian in the world. Honestly, the concentration of kindness increases significantly with age in the body of Russian people. Kindness is such a quality, possessing which a person automatically becomes the owner of a «broad» soul. There are many opinions and statements concerning precisely the «scales» of the Russian soul. Of course, it cannot be measured in any way, but you can feel on yourself this waterfall of good and disinterestedness.

The character of the Russian person is special and unique. A Russian man is purposeful, clever and skillful, and lazy at times. The character of Russia is the same. There are many problems coming from laziness, both for the Russian people, and for Russia. Conversation is a very important part of our social life. "There is no better way to get to know Russians than over conversation with food and drink", wrote Mr. Richmond, the author of the book "From Nyet to Da."[1] In the Russian language there is such an adjective "khlebosolny" which consists of two words "bread and salt" and means "hospitable". So, I think this word is the brilliant definition of the Russian soul and Russian character.

Speaking about the traditions of the USA, it is important to consider the characteristic peculiarities of the American nature. Who is a typical American? Americans are nice, welcoming and friendly people. In suburbs and cities neighbours spend free time together, people smile and they are always ready to help if you need it. They always understand the sense of community.

Also, they are willing to experiment. They can change something in their lives without long thinking about it. Americans are friendly and easy in communication. Among their values there is no doubt - the family, a lot of work for free in public organizations.

It can be argued, that the USA determines the life style for the modern humanity. The major life aspirations of the Americans are expressed in the "American dream" idea. A lot of people, even if they are not from the USA try to follow its core principles.

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