

## A STUDY ON THE INFLUENCE OF THE SECOND LANGUAGE AND ITS LITERARY WORKS ON CULTURAL AND SPIRITUAL VALUES

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Language is the bridge of cultural transmission. Literary works, as the artistic carrier that can spread culture, have very important cultural value. Excellent literary works, as the second language and literary works, will have a certain impact on inherent cultural values. The globalization of the Internet has driven the rapid spread and development of culture, and the second language has become an indispensable means of communication in many countries. As a result, the second language and its literary works have developed irresponsibility. With the continuous upgrading and iteration of translation software, literary works represented by the second language have suddenly come into people's vision. The resulting collision of diverse cultures and values deserves attention and research. This paper discusses the influence of second language and its literary works on individuals and society from two dimensions of social and cultural value and spiritual value. Through the analysis of the importance of second language learning and the influence of literary works, this paper reveals the role of second language and literary works in promoting cross-cultural understanding, enriching national culture, improving personal quality and shaping spiritual outlook. The research shows that the second language and its literary works are of great significance to the promotion of social and cultural values and spiritual values, and puts forward corresponding strategies and suggestions.

**Material and methods.** The combination of qualitative and quantitative methods provides a comprehensive understanding of the opportunities and challenges of cultural and spiritual values in a multicultural context. Using multiple methods may yield richer data and more nuanced insights, allowing for a thorough exploration of the subject. The purpose of comparative analysis is to compare the relationship between literary works and culture. Using a literature review method, the aim is to collect existing research on the cultural value of foreign literary works. We use the method of reviewing academic journals, articles and books to discuss the influence of cultural values of different languages and literary works on spiritual values.

**Results and their discussion.** Cultural value refers to the values, moral norms, aesthetic standards, belief systems and related behavior patterns and ways of thinking that are commonly recognized and pursued by certain social or cultural groups. Cultural value plays an extremely important role and significance in contemporary national society. Culture is not only the direction of the comprehensive development of human beings, but also the perpetual engine of economic and social development, and also the glue of social harmony and stability [1]. The power of culture is deeply embedded in history, practice and nation, and has a spiritual power that is hard to match with material force. Cultural values play a vital role in shaping national characteristics, promoting social progress and enhancing national soft power.

Spiritual value is an immaterial value concept and pursuit with the spiritual world as the core, which usually involves morality, belief, thought, emotion, aesthetic and so on. Spiritual value is an important part of cultural value, which reflects the importance of a society or an individual to spiritual life and spiritual pursuit. For individuals, spiritual value is an important basis for forming personality and realizing self-value. For society, it is an important force to maintain social stability, promote social harmony and promote social progress. In modern society, with the improvement of material living standards, the importance of spiritual values has been paid more and more attention [2].

Second language learning is not only a skill cultivation, but also a process of cultural value transmission and identification. By learning a second language, one can gain a deeper understanding of the culture, history and social customs of the countries and regions where the language is spoken,

thereby enhancing understanding and respect for multiculturalism. It helps to overcome the barriers of cultural exchange and promote the exchange and cooperation between people with different cultural backgrounds. Understanding its unique expression and thinking logic helps people to think from different angles and broaden their thinking horizon. Language is a bridge to build friendship, and through the study of a second language, it is easier to establish contact with people around the world, enhance friendship, reduce misunderstandings and conflicts, and promote mutual understanding and peaceful coexistence between different countries and regions. It helps to cultivate people's language ability, communication ability, cognitive ability and innovation ability. In multi-ethnic countries, the study of a second language helps to promote communication and understanding between different ethnic groups and maintain social harmony and stability. For some minority languages or languages that are disappearing, learning and using a second language contributes to the inheritance and development of these cultures. In a globalized economic environment, mastering a second language often means more job opportunities and the possibility of business cooperation, which has obvious economic value[3].

The influence of foreign literary works on cultural value is manifold; The impact on local cultural values is complex and far-reaching. They not only enrich the cultural landscape of the recipient country, but also may lead to cultural conflicts and changes in values. However, in the end, they can often promote the development of cultural diversity and social progress. Through reading Shakespeare's works, we can understand the social features and cultural characteristics of the English Renaissance. The idea of Zen in Japanese literature has influenced Western literature and art and promoted the exchange of Eastern and Western cultures. After the western modernist literary works were introduced into China, they challenged the traditional Chinese literary forms and values. The realism of Russian literature has exerted a profound influence on Chinese literature in the 20th century and promoted the modernization of Chinese literature. By reading literature from around the world, readers can be more tolerant and understanding of different cultural backgrounds and values. Foreign literary works are included in the education system and become an important resource for cultivating students' international perspective, critical thinking and humanistic literacy, and the reading and analysis of world classics is part of the educational curriculum in many countries. The active translation, publication, film and television adaptation of foreign literary works has promoted the development of cultural industry, but also affected the dissemination and consumption of cultural values. The influence of Hollywood films on global cultural values cannot be ignored.

**Conclusion.** The cultural value and spiritual value of a country are the very important invisible skeleton and foundation of the country. Under the background of close communication on the global Internet and multicultural integration, it is necessary to increase tolerance and understanding, and tolerate diverse cultures with an open mind, to follow the trend of cultural integration and development, and treat the culture and values represented by the second language in a positive attitude and way. Secondly, we should learn to distinguish. Nowadays, with the continuous upgrading of intelligent translation equipment, various languages and literary works are particularly easy to obtain, and literary works in the second language are flooded with their culture and values. It is necessary to deepen self-cultural identity and value identity, increase the sense of belonging, and prevent the risk of cultural hegemony. Finally, we should draw nourishment from the traditional culture, uphold the idea of harmony and diversity, choose the good ones and follow them, and change the bad ones in an inclusive way. Look at the second language or other multilingual and literary works from a higher perspective and dimension, examine the cultural similarities and differences from the perspective of the human destiny community, and understand and recognize the differences caused by environment and region. Cultural and spiritual values that emphasize the common goals and pursuits of mankind, resolutely resist cultural hegemony and cultural aggression, stick to the cultural and ideological positions of their own countries, and stick to the cultural positions of the community with a shared future for mankind.

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