

Yule games in the traditional culture of Komi-Zyryans

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The report uses the example of the traditions of Vym, Letka and Vishera to present scenarios for holding youth meetings during the Christmas period. Christmas games have a clear structure, which is associated with both organizational moments and a song-game scenario. Games dedicated to Vasiliev Day and Epiphany are especially distinguished. It is these gatherings that have a communal character, and each age group has a certain ritual role. The main elements of the script include general round dances, with which the game begins, round dances played by individual couples, and choruses - songs with the names of specific guys and girls. In addition, there were games of a dedication and test nature, designed for beginners. Of the local features, one can distinguish the origin of the Vym games, which is associated with the structuring of the girl group. In this regard, the option of creating girlish couples is interesting, reflecting both ritual and gender and age attitudes.