## **LEXICAL PARADIGMS OF VARIANTS** OF A FAIRY TALE "THE SONG OF THE WOLF"

N.V. Stekolnikova

The article deals with the problem of comparison of variants of folk texts and linguistic substantiation of their identity and distinction. The variation of folk texts is a necessary condition for their preservation and active existence. In this article the author focuses on lexical paradigms of variants of a cumulative fairy tale "The song of the wolf". On the basis of Meta language which allows shortening a text, the similarity to the text in the given structure is recognized, the text is unfolded and restored, a data base created for the analysis and comparison of folklore texts of cumulative structure.