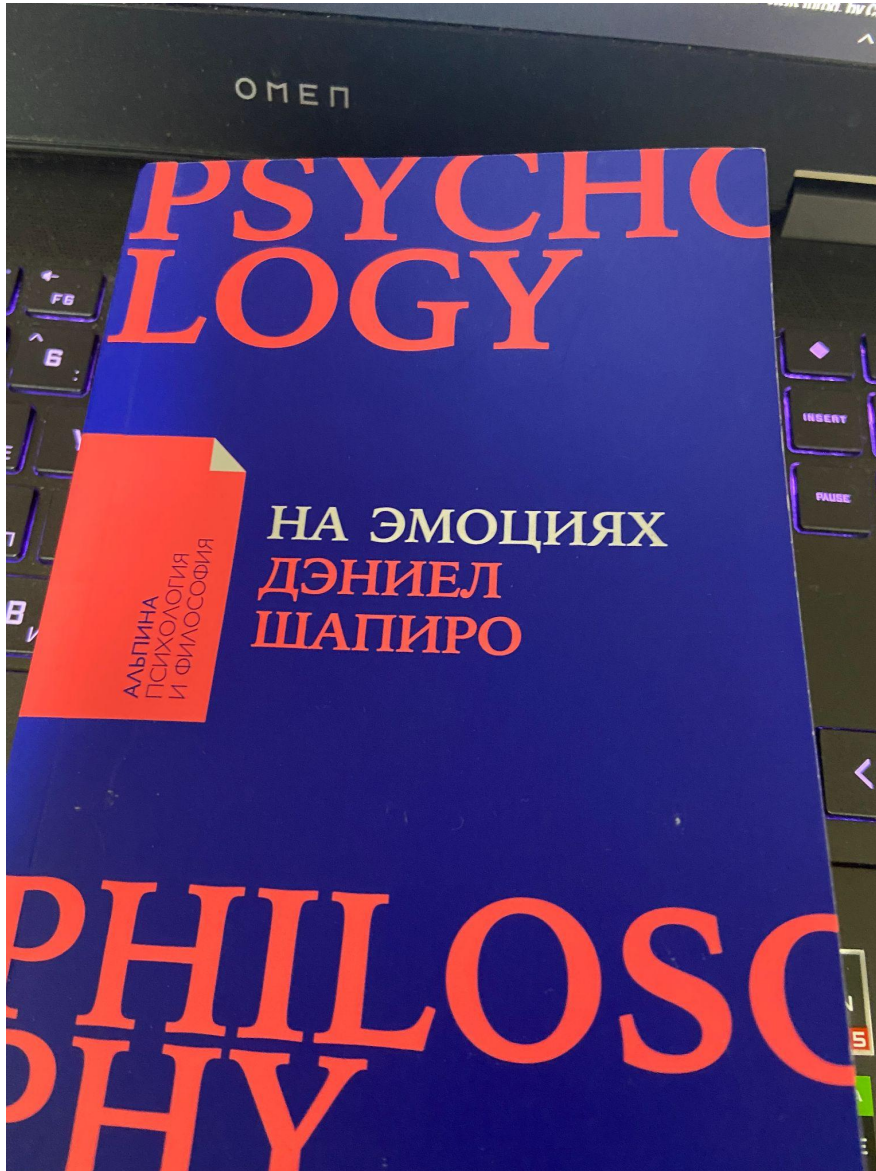


TOK Exhibition: 23. How important are material tools in the production or acquisition of knowledge? (Knowledge and the Knower)

1. A book about psychology and philosophy: "On Emotions"



The photo of this object was taken by me. The photo shows a book written by Daniel Shapiro, a professor of psychology and negotiation, in 2020. In the book "On emotions" Shapiro talks about how to react to conflicts between the two sides.

The cover of the book says "psychology and philosophy" and for a reason. Every

person has ever had and will have conflicts during a discussion when one of the parties is stubborn, and many are unable to come to a compromise in such situations. This book is written to prepare the reader for such a thing. The book talks not so much about how to react, but how to act during conflicts that have arisen, how people behave in such situations and what their emotional state is. It gives some idea or understanding about the nature of conflicts, about how emotions interfere during the search for a compromise, as well as how to curb them. Shapiro repeatedly shares tips on negotiations, which is very useful, because in fact, the book is based on the author's personal experience.

Since many young and inexperienced people do not know how to act during conflicts with the interlocutor, this book is quite an important source for acquiring the necessary knowledge that can be used in the future when faced with a similar problem.

2. Ring with kazakh ornament



The photo was taken by me. The ring is my property and was custom-made in Kazakhstan in November 2021. The ring depicts Kazakh folk ornaments, as well as an eagle, a bird, which is a symbol of freedom or generosity for the Kazakh people. All this is depicted and used on state symbols such as the coat of arms and the flag of the Republic of Kazakhstan

This ring with an inscription in the Kazakh language is a material tool that helps in acquiring knowledge about Kazakh culture, that is, for a foreigner to gain knowledge about what Kazakh ornaments are, what is the connection between the inscription on the ring "light path" and the eagle. Why the eagle is depicted on a ring with a Kazakh inscription and Kazakh ornaments? And similar questions.

The ring itself is a small source of knowledge about Kazakh culture, with which you

can share them with other people.

Despite the fact that this ring gives certain knowledge about the Kazakh culture, this material tool is not an important source for acquiring knowledge, since there are many other more useful and general tools. For example, a book about Kazakh culture can give more information, better explain folk symbols and the like. That is, not all material tools are important in acquiring knowledge

3. The film "The Imitation Game"



This is a film directed by Morten Tyldum and the screenwriter is Graham Moore.

This is a 2014 British film. It is based on real events that took place during the Second World War. The film touches on the theme of the attitude of the government and society of that time to people with homosexuals

If we consider the issue from the point of view of the film as a tool, then the author shares his knowledge about the Second World War through visualization and visual demonstration

The director and screenwriters of the film, who have knowledge about the bad

attitude towards people of other orientation in those years thanks to the film, which will be shown around the world, share them with the public

The film was shot by quite popular actors, we can say world-class and critics liked it, it was shown all over the world, and it was shot by a well-known director. It touched upon the topic of infringement of people of non-traditional orientation, which is a global problem. For example, if I hadn't watched this movie, I wouldn't have known about how gay people were treated in those years. I would not investigate this topic, read a book about it, or look at information on the Internet. That is, this material tool is quite important in acquiring knowledge, since most people now watch TV shows, movies more often, instead of reading historical books, articles.

Photo taken from the website Kinopoisk.ru by the link

<https://www.kinopoisk.ru/film/635772/>

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