## Activation of verbal environment essential for developing communicative competence of foreign trainees

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The author has examined some most pressing problems of teaching Russian as a foreign language. These problems arise when foreign trainees deal with active verbal environment, essential for development of their communicative competence. The research looks at expansion of "communication space" of a person, communicating in a foreign language while being a trainee on probation, developing his or her language skills. The trainees expand their "communication space" communicating with the Russian native speakers. The article provides a closer look at this expansion in terms of using information potential of the internet. The author has described in general communication process when teaching Russian as a foreign language utilising online resources.

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