

The analysis of the current situation in science and its impact on the innovation processes in the economy of Belarus confirms a particular importance of domestic research and development not only for acquisition and use of new knowledge, but also for achievement of an up-to-date level of production for further development of science and increase of innovation activity in all spheres of the economy.

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AUCTIONS, OR HOW TO MAKE MONEY ON ART АУКЦИОНЫ, ИЛИ КАК ЗАРАБОТАТЬ ДЕНЬГИ НА ИСКУССТВЕ

Наверняка многие слышали о различного вида аукционах, но немногие знают, как они проходят и уж совсем немногие принимали в них участие. В нашей работе мы бы хотели рассмотреть поподробнее стратегии проведения наиболее известных в мире аукционов, проследить историю некоторых произведений искусства, в свое время проданных на аукционах, а также отметить культурологические особенности аукционов, проводимых в разных странах.

As a rule, the procedure of buying things is very simple. People just purchase them in shops or at markets. But there are some items that claim some special attention to themselves & that can not just be bought in stores. These are mainly different pieces of art: paintings, sculptures, musical instruments as well as antique furniture, special things that once belonged to famous people, etc. The only way you can get hold of them is to buy them by auction.

Generally speaking, an Art Auction is the practice of buying and selling various pieces of art by putting them up for bidding. Bids are taken and then the item is sold to the highest bidder. This practice can be traced as far back as 500 B.C.

An auction is also the most comprehensive method of determining the value of an item. Through ages many valuable pieces of art have found their due price in different auction houses. From Reynolds's "Lady Betty Delmi" which was auctioned for 11,000 gns in 1894 to the Portrait of Dr. Gachet by Vincent Van Gogh which was sold for \$82.5 million at Christie's, New York, in 1990, auctions are indeed the best way to sell paintings.

Auction houses do prove to be the best evaluators of art. Some of the world's most popular auction houses include Christie's, Sotheby's, Lyon & Turnbull and Bonhams. Nowadays the Internet auctions are also becoming very popular. The best-known on-line auction is Ebay.

One of the striking points about auctions is that they represent a mixture of business and art. It doesn't necessarily mean buying and selling valuable goods, but the auctioneering itself is of high significance. There

exist specific types of conducting auctions that are culture-bound. One can distinguish between an "English auction", a "Dutch auction", a "Chinese auction", etc.

Sometimes auctions fail to achieve their aim: selling an item. Actually, a lot depends on the auctioneer and his ability to set the auction on the right track. That is why any auctioneer should possess some qualities that would help him in leading the auction, such as sociability, self-assurance and creativity.

On the whole, in the course of time auctions don't lose their attractiveness for people interested in getting unique things. That is why auctions will remain a good source of business profit for people interested in selling them.

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RELIGIENVERSTOSS ALS GRUND DES TERRORISMUS СТОЛКНОВЕНИЕ РЕЛИГИЙ КАК ПРИЧИНА ТЕРРОРИЗМА

Терроризм — одна из основных проблем в современном мире, которая не оставляет равнодушным никого. Причины конфликта между Востоком и Западом лежат в религиозной ненависти мусульман и христиан, которая своими корнями уходит далеко в историю. Почему люди двух разных религий не могут жить в мире? Когда началась вражда между исламом и христианством? Какие цели ставят перед собой террористы? Что ими движет? Кто ими управляет? Как остановить многолетнюю «войну»?

- Terrorismus ist eine Sammelbezeichnung für unterschiedliche Formen politisch motivierter Gewaltanwendung vor allem durch extremistische Gruppen und Einzelpersonen.

- Die Wurzeln des Terrorismus liegen im religiösen Hass der Muslimen gegenüber den Christen.

- Viele Europaer haben falsche Vorstellung über den Einfluss des Islams und dessen Kultur auf das Abendland. Europa verdankt dem Morgenland viele wissenschaftliche Entdeckungen, vor allem in Medizin und Mathematik.

- Die Terroristen haben das Ziel die ganze Welt einzuschrecken und sie in ihrer Macht zu ueberzeugen. Sie greifen zu den Mitteln der Massenvernichtung: dem Sprengstoff, den biologischen und bakteriologischen Waffen.

- Osama bin Laden, das Oberhaupt der terroristischen Al-Qaida-Organisation, ist das Idol der heiligen Krieger. In seiner Heimat wurde er zum Volkshelden, der viele Fanatiker und Anhänger hat.

- Ein gesetzlich vorgeschriebenes Mittel, den Islam zu verbreiten, ist der heilige Krieg — Dschihad.