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English 1, semester 1, Autumn 2005

Assignment 1/6 - deadline: Tuesday, 18 October 2005

Review – Unit 1 (New International Business English)

I. Vocabulary (20 pts.)

Translate into English.

nechat hostitele zaplatit – to let the host pick up the bill

najmout méně zkušené pracovníky – to hire less experienced workers

odmítnout zapojit se do sporu – to refuse to take part / become involved in a dispute

vytvořit si dobrý dojem (z někoho) – to make/form a good impression of (sb.)

být pokládán za důvěryhodného – be considered/regarded (as) trustworthy

nadřízení i jejich podřízení – superiors as well as their subordinates

mylný předpoklad – a faulty/erroneous assumption/presumption

vtipná poznámka – a witty/humorous/funny remark/comment

saúdskoarabský zaměstnavatel – a Saudi (Arabian) employer

drobné nedorozumění mezi Poláky a Litevci – a minor misunderstanding between the Poles

and the Lithuanians

II. Prepositions (12 pts.)

Fill the gaps with suitable prepositions or adverbials, if necessary.

- 1. Who recommended the hotel to you?
- 2. He entered <u>-</u> an office.
- 3. He has a limited commitment to his employer.
- 4. I met Mr. Kyong three years ago.
- 5. They asked me this question <u>at/about</u> the interview.
- 6. This presents the biggest obstacle **to** mutual understanding.
- 7. What is the article **about**?
- 8. Tim was used **to** being called **by** surname.
- 9. Your boss seems to rely **on** frequent meetings.
- 10. Hello! How are you getting on?

III. Grammar (20 pts.)

Write questions about the underlined expressions.

- 1. They'll let us know soon. When will they let us know?
- 2. French employees are very loyal. What are French employees like?
- 3. Mr Roberts is going to visit the Spanish subsidiary. Who is going to visit the Spanish subsidiary?
- 4. They seem to prefer consultations. What is their attitude to consultations?
- 5. Winnie said that the boss wanted to hear our ideas. Who did Winnie say (that) wanted to hear our ideas?

IV. Translation (20 pts.)

Translate the following sentences into English.

1. Zíváním urazíte člověka, s nímž jednáte.

You will offend the person you're dealing/negotiating with by yawning.

2. Nečeká se, že by dokázal uchovat citlivé informace v tajnosti.

He is not expected to be able to keep sensitive information confidential/secret.

3. Dokud si nevytvořili dobrý vztah, vykali si a chovali se navzájem příliš zdvořile.

Before they established a good relationship, they had been / were calling each other by their surnames and behaving/behaved overpolitely / too politely.

4. Proč si Američané a Skandinávci tolik cení upřímnosti a otevřenosti?

Why do Americans and Scandinavians appreciate sincerity/frankness and openness so much?

5. Je vhodné hovořit o pracovních záležitostech při hlavním chodu?

Is it suitable / good manners to talk about business matters during/over the main course?

Total: 72 points