

## ACADEMIC ORACY, Spring 2010

**Location and time:** Mon 4:40-6:10, G31. **Facilitator:** Kateřina Tomková, [tomkat@phil.muni.cz](mailto:tomkat@phil.muni.cz). Office hours: Tue 3-4 and 6-7, Wed 3-4 and Thu 4-5. **Assessment:** active attendance 3pts a session; \*assigned presentation up to 10pts; \*students' own initiative presentations up to 20pts; final test max. 50 pts.

### Preliminary Syllabus

Date	AWARENESS	SKILLS
Feb. 22	Delimitation of the subject.	Academic contexts.
Mch 1	Tomková: Perceptions of Non-Native Pronunciation of English by Native Speakers.	Tomková: The most frequent mistakes made by Czech academics.
Mch 8	*Presentation technicalities and skills ( <i>M.Burianová</i> ).	Consistent accent. Segmental sounds. Pronunciation errors.
Mch 15	*M.Ježek: Upton's Model of RP (Master's diss.) ( <i>Pšeničková</i> ). *I.Headlandová-Kalischová: Intonation Centre (PhD. diss.)( <i>Ságllová</i> ).	Stress, rhythm, intonation, collection of errors and singing: Our Mark is good for nothing. Love letter. *TV talk ( <i>Nováková</i> ).
Mch 22	*Mathesius: Řeč a sloh. ( <i>Klementová</i> )	*Relevant pts in grammar, lexis, idiom. <i>Svoboda</i>
Mch 29	*Katie Fox: Watching the English ( <i>Markosová</i> ). *Crystal&Davy: Investigating English Style.	*Academic debate ( <i>Ječmínková</i> ).
Apr. 5	EASTER	MONDAY
Apr. 12	*L.Urbanová: Pragmatics ( <i>Kaletová?</i> ).	*****Creating a chant, rap, skit or sketch.
Apr. 19	**A.Launer: Social Dialects ( <i>Obermajerová, Jakubčík</i> ).	Finalizing the sketch.
Apr. 26	*Political correctness ( <i>Chovančíková</i> ).	Practising the sketch.
May 3	*Rhetorics; figures of	Practising the sketch.

	speech ( <i>Blecha</i> ). *Puns and Perception of Humour ( <i>Pokorná</i> ).	*****Performing it at the Creativity Night.
May 10	MOCK EXAM TEST.	VISITORS.
May 17	EXAM TEST (max. 50 pts).	ASSESSMENTS.

### From Mediocre Mark

#### **It's wonderful, it's marvellous**

To be a clever diplomat, oh yes  
It's wonderful, it's marvellous,  
Much better than lie on a mat like Mark.

It's wonderful, it's marvellous  
To be on the linguistic team, oh yes  
It's wonderful, it's marvellous,  
It enhances your self-esteem, oh yes!

**Our Mark is good for nothing**, we don't know what to do  
Apart from playing computer games all he does is chew and chew  
Our Mark is good for nothing, still uncouth at 22  
He slurps his soup like a hungry wolf, never says please or thank you

Take out the rubbish, help me clean, do some exercise, don't be so  
mean

Well if you think that I'm an idiot, well I'm sure you do me wrong  
I've developed my computer skills which now are pretty strong  
If you treat me like a dummy I'll go out into the world  
There'll be plenty of opportunities to prove I'm not a nerd.

#### SUGGESTIONS FOR CREATIVITY NIGHT:

- 1 The Cambridge oral test.
- 2 A commercial to study at the English Dept.
- 3 A musical on FSP or something known to everybody.

