

The 25th P.A.R.K. Conference





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JESTOET! 1 JESTDEJ OL-MAJ TRABL SIN SO KED FARVED HAV IT LUX ES TRU DER HEJ TUSTES -OH AD BILLV IN DESTOED 2. SADN LI ADM NOT HAF MEN AD JUST BI DERZ & SEDOV HENING, OUV 6 MI OU JESTOEJ KEDM SAON LI 3. VAJ SI- HED TU GOU AJ DONT NOU SI WON SEJ AJ SED SAMTING RANG NAO AD M LONG, FOR JESTDEJ 4 JESTOEJ LAV VOZ SAC EN 121 GEN T PLET NAO AJ HID, O PLEJS T HADO VEJ OH AJ BILIV, IN JESTDEJ I Cdm H-2 ET; A-6 G, F, G, EFT FICALE, E, F, G, C

"I was very proud of my '1' at 'maturita' but when my Turkish penfriend came to visit me and we spoke English together he was disappointed that I couldn't understand his jokes, and he wasn't even impressed by my perfect Biography of Charles Dickens."

(Daniela, a Czech teacher of English, 1990)







"No comment."



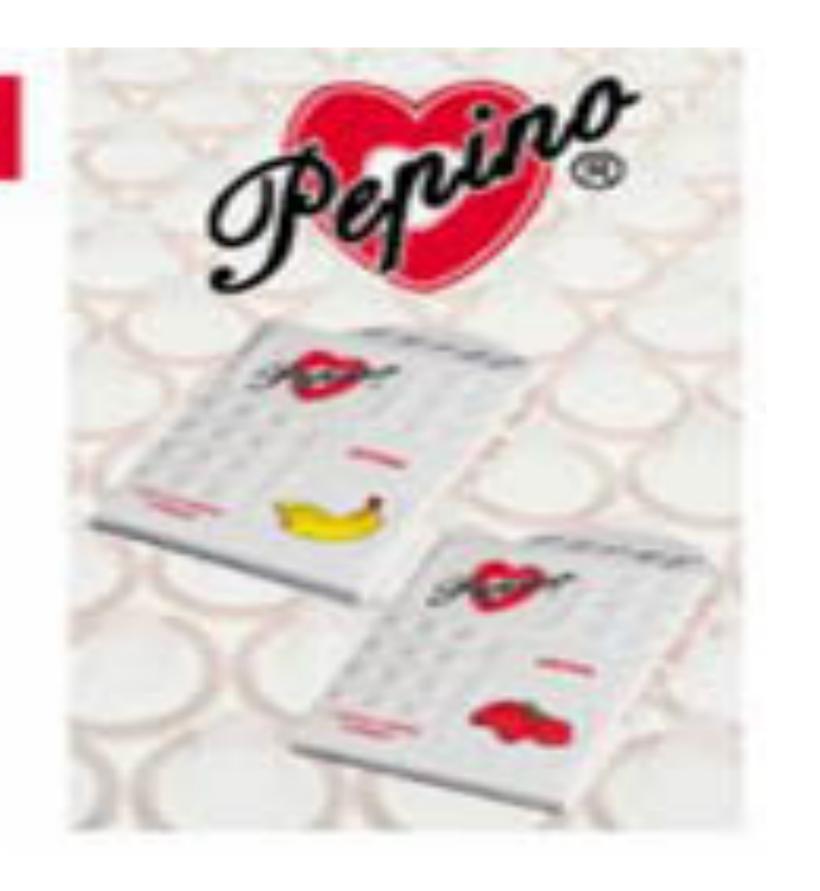
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WHY LEARN ENGLISH?

- Because you live in an English-speaking country (or want to)
- Because you're keen on Britain (or another English-speaking country) and aspects of its culture
- Because it's a passport to a better future (jobs, travel, education)
- Because it's the language of the internet and an increasingly globalised youth culture
- Because it's on the curriculum and it's part of the school-leaving exam ('TENOR')

"Czech teachers and students tend to be obsessed with grammar."

(Sabina Pazderová, a teacher from Olomouc)

"The idea that Czech, a grammatical language, would start to copy English, a lexical language, is as naïve as if we expected wheat to grow in the mountains"

(Bohuslav Havránek)



- frontmanka
- countryrockový
- kornflejky
- džezmen
- windsurfař
- top-manažery
- mítinky

- judrgate
- skinheadský
- diskžokej
- víkendovat
- striptýz
- hemendex
- hambáč

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"Grammar enables us to construct language when we are unable to find what we want ready-made in our mental lexicons. But so much of the language of the effective language user is already in prefabricated chunks, stored in their mental lexicons just waiting to be recalled for use."

- teacher
- coffee
- spaghetti
- sugar
- orange
- lamp
- money

- beer
- woman
- toy
- lion
- pencil
- cheese
- tissue

- "Two coffees, please, one with two sugars."
- "Voters are tired of using public *monies* to enrich millionaire sports owners."
- "I prefer Italian cheeses to French ones."
- "Inflammation is a reaction of living tissue to infection or injury."
- "I had eight beers yesterday."

"The teaching of grammar only serves the purpose of making teachers look and sound knowledgeable (no matter how dumb they really are...)"

(Celso Camargo, a Brazilian teacher, posting to Dogme ELT discussion group, 12 October 2009)

"This is the truth, for you, for now."

(Světlana Obenausová, a teacher from Olomouc, reminiscing about her university teacher of English)

"Sometimes we lie to our students; sometimes we conceal the truth from them. This is called...

...pedagogy."

(Ádám Nádasdy, a professor of English in Budapest)

USEFUL TOOLS

accuracy vs. fluency

learning vs. acquisition

language as systems vs. language as skills

linguistic competence vs. communicative competence

personal language use vs. social language use

THINGS TO DISCUSS

What's your opinion of...

...dubbing TV programmes, films, etc.?

...reading aloud round the class?

...calling students to the board?

...translation?



"Have you finished yet?"





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A GOOD THING?

- Based on corpus linguistics
- Much more physically attractive
- Much more support for teachers and learners
- Much more comprehensive in scope
- Much more expensive
- Danger of drowning in the materials
- Danger of the teacher being deskilled



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THINGS TO EXPLORE (1)

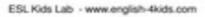
- Creative writing
- Games
- Storytelling
- Songs and music
- Drama
- Visuals

- CLIL
- TBL
- Culture
- Teaching unplugged
- TPR
- Art and craft

























THREE ILLITERACIES

- Not being able to read and write
- Not being able to speak English
- Not being able to manipulate the new technologies (but to what extent?)

"This invention which is new to me and which I hardly know how to deal with"





THREE LEVELS

- Technologies that basically help us to do the same old stuff in new and maybe better ways (LEVEL 1).
- Technologies that we were told were going to replace us but don't seem to have managed to do so (LEVEL 2).
- Technologies that have the potential to make truly radical changes to the whole structure and process of education (LEVEL 3).

LEVEL 1

- Word processing
- PowerPoint
- MP3, MP4, WAV, etc.
- YouTube
- Smartboards
- Googling

LEVEL 2

- Language laboratories
- CALL (Computer-Assisted Language Learning)
- e-learning, distance learning, blended learning, online learning, etc.
- Computer translation

LEVEL 3

- LMS (Learning Management Systems, e.g. Moodle)
- ebook readers
- Smartphones and apps
- The World Wide Web and all the wonderful things that are there
- Ubiquitous technology and connectivity, greater processing power etc.

THINGS TO EXPLORE (2)

- PowerPoint
- YouTube
- Smartboards
- Apps
- Webquests
- Games

- Social networking
- e-twinning
- Blogging
- Nanopublishing
- Web 2.0
- Smartphones

"The truth of the matter is that about 99% of teaching is making the students interested in the material. The other 1% has to do with the teacher's methods. Learning doesn't achieve lasting results when you don't see any point to it. Learning has to come from the inside; you have to want to learn. If you want to learn, you'll learn however bad the methods are."

(Noam Chomsky)

Teşekkür ederim Շնորհակալություն Terima kasih רכו מפטף Gratiam ago شكرًا Gratiam ago شكرًا Gratie ধন্যবাদ। Спасибо நன்ற Multumesc To-siā Danke Děkuji Ďakujem Dankie Asante nanri Köszönöm Tak Gràcies ThankTack VO 唔該 Dankon 認利認 dhanyavaad Kiitos 谢谢 Faleminderit 감사합니다 Obrigado Paldies Bedankt Dziękujemy ありがとう Ви благодарам Mèsi Lóo-lát Gracias

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