

# Věra Hranáčová – Resume of My Study of the English Language

## Education

**10-15 yrs:** Self-taught

- Minimum 30 new words every day
- Grammar system tables
- Speaking with native speakers
- Singing English songs
- Watching films with subtitles
- Reading books in English
- Writing letters and my own diary in English

**15-19 yrs:** English class in a secondary school, taught by an excellent teacher married to an Englishman, school-leaving exam in English, A-level

**19 yrs:** prep-course for the state exam in English at the State Language School in Brno, finished with the exam

**19-24: studies at the Faculty of Arts, Masaryk University, Brno**

- Five-year course in English language and literature, teaching program, M-level
- Five-year course in Czech language and literature, teaching program, M-level
- Two (2) terms of film science
- One (1) term studying at the Dept. of English at Leeds University

**Degrees:** Czech MA (Mgr.) in English and Czech language and literature

**Other languages studied:** Spanish (course-leaving exam at the Language School in Santa Clara, Cuba), Russian, German, French, Sanskrit and some vocabulary in other languages during my travels or jobs (Lithuanian, Greek, Finnish, Hebrew)

## **Employment**

- freelance teacher, also teaching in a secondary school (1 year), Military Academy for foreign students (1 term), State Language School (2 years), Easy English private school (1 year), instructor at the Language Centre, MU at the Faculty of Science and the Faculty of Medicine (since 1993, except for maternity leave 1995-2001)
- Team translator of Essentials in Oceanography (together with my students of English)
- Interpreter and translator for US and Finnish companies during my university studies, for YMCA since 2000.