

# EUROPEAN DAY OF LANGUAGES

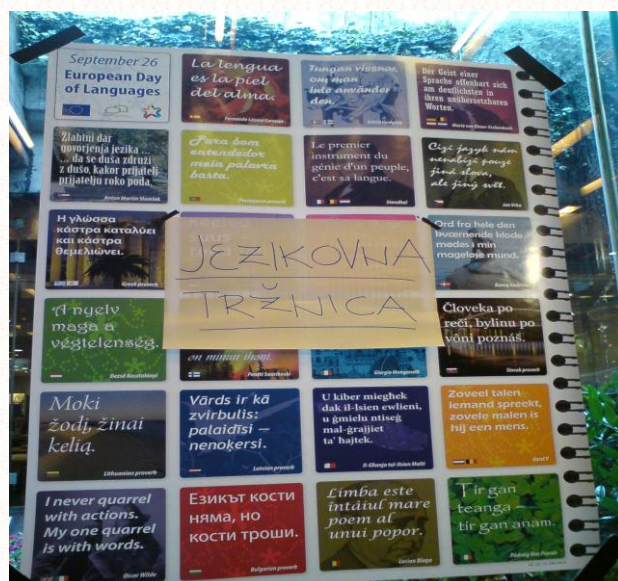
## Language market 2010

26<sup>th</sup> september is celebrated as European day of languages. The aim of this day is to make people aware about the languages spoken in Europe and the importance of language learning.

In this purpose we (students of 3.a, 3.b, 3.i and 3.j from High school Josip Jurčič) went, on Monday 27.09.2010, to Ljubljana, where the language market had started. It was well organized. There were many stalls with representatives of embassies and foreign cultural institutes, so the visitors could chat with those natural speakers in their native language. But the most interesting things for us were games, such as four-in-a-row, wheel of fortune and collecting cards with proverbs. With playing these games, we tested our language skills on a funny way. Although we were trying very hard to be awarded for our endeavour, we were not, because all the prizes had been gone before we got everything we needed.

We were very intent on these games, so we did not hear the whole conversation between Mojca Mavec, Pavle Ravnohrib and Valentina Smej Novak, who were talking about their experiences with languages. The only statement that stayed in our memories was, that Slovenian language is special, because we also have forms for talking about 2 people, not only for plural and singular. Because of that our language is also more romantic-when we talk about love, we can emphasize, that relationships are just for two people.

This experience was very interesting, educative and enjoyable. We had a wonderful time, although we did not get a price we wanted.



Language market, foto: Erika Sadar



One of the games, Foto: E.S



Collecting stamps for a price,  
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Collecting cards with proverbs,  
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Great Britain stall, Foto: E.S.