Language Week at Yale

Tues-Sat April 4th-9th

Tuesday:

5:30pm: **Open Language Tables** in Silliman Dining Hall

Wednesday:

7:00pm: **The Great English Debate**Who speaks English best? The Brits?
The Canadians? The Southerners? Come listen to student representatives of regional varieties of English defend their accents. The discussion will be moderated by Professor Robert Greenberg, who teaches the seminar "Languages and Politics" at Yale. All are welcome to attend and participate! WLH 120

Thursday:

4:00pm **Speaker Jean Gleason**, "Animal Terms in the Early Lexicon" Phelps Hall

Friday:

2:00pm Speakers Juliette Blevins and Daniel Kaufman,

"The Language Crisis" LC 317

Saturday:

1:00-4:00pm Language Workshops.
Learn basic greetings, alphabets, even pick-up- lines in just 40 minutes. We'll be having special survival sections in each workshop, so it's the perfect way to prepare for a summer abroad! Over 8 languages to choose from! Basement of WLH

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Featuring:



Jean Berko Gleason is a Professor Emerita in the psychology department of Boston University, and is famous in the field of psycholinguistics for having developed the wug test, which proved grammatical understanding in young children. She will be speaking on the influence of the parental input on children's language acquisition.



Juliette Blevins and Daniel Kaufman are directors of the Endangered Language Alliance in New York City. Linguists estimate that by the end of this century, half of the world's 6,800 languages will no longer be spoken. In light of this language crisis, Dr. Blevins and Dr. Kaufman will speak about their language preservation efforts in NYC and what else can be done to stop language extinction.

Questions? Want to join the panlist? Contact yalelanguageconnections@gmail.com