

EDITORIAL

Developing pragmatic skills in a foreign language has been identified both as extremely relevant and demanding since using a foreign language appropriately in a particular context is possible only if learners are aware of the pragmatic norms in the target culture. Orthaber's "Thank you in advance": Slovenian Request Emails and Responses" aims to determine how Slovene language is used in email requests and responses in a business context in order to facilitate the development of pragmatic skills among learners of Slovene as a foreign language and students of translation. Her analysis reveals the linguistic choices and communicative practices of both customers as well as service providers and thus gives an insight into a particular workplace culture.

This issue of *Scripta Manent* also features a review of a coursebook on German for ethnology and cultural anthropology by Darja Mertelj. *Deutsch für Ethnologen und Kulturanthropologen I / Nemščina za etnologue in kulturne antropologe I* by Saša Podgoršek targets false beginners of German in a higher education context.

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