



# BBC Entertainment & ESU Public Speaking Awards, Hungary 2011

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# want to know more?



Here's all the information you need to participate.

It takes courage to step out in front of a group of people, tell them your story and answer questions from the judges and the audience. In the BBC Entertainment & ESU Public Speaking Awards, Hungary, entrants are required to give a 5 minute speech on one of five proposed topics. That's quite a challenge. This flyer contains the basic information to get you started. Your English teacher can also help and advise you.

Of course, you'll be rewarded for competing. Besides the fame, you and your teacher will also win a prize provided by our principal supporting partner, Magyar Telekom. And above all, don't forget the advantage you'll have over your fellow students when it comes to applying for a job or admission to an international university. Companies and universities are particularly interested in internationally orientated students.



Both native and non-native English speakers are welcome to enter the competition. Don't think that you'll be at a disadvantage if you're a non-native speaker as only a maximum of 15 points out of a possible 100 are awarded to language-related criteria.

Before preparing your speech it is essential to read the guidance for speakers. You can find all the criteria and rules on the following website [www.singlish.hu](http://www.singlish.hu) which is run by the English Speaking Union, in Hungary along with several examples from previous years. We wish you lots of luck in your preparations!

# award topics 2011



The BBC Entertainment & ESU Public Speaking Awards, Hungary are organized BBC Worldwide Channels in partnership with the English Speaking Union, Hungary and the Robert Burns International Foundation. They are aimed at students 16-20 who strive to achieve excellence in English, and make active use of the English language.

This competition gives you the opportunity to express your opinion to a young audience, who, like you, are facing questions about their own lives and their hopes for the future.



Participants may choose from the following topics as a subject for their award entries:

- Celebrities are not born, they are made
- Are comedians becoming too offensive or are we taking ourselves too seriously?
- Is life becoming more dangerous?
- Are we becoming too desensitized to crime and violence?
- Does TV improve or distort our general knowledge?

# important dates

“my biggest dream seemed to become reality”

Eszter Gelsi, Winner,  
Hungary 2010

The closing date for schools to register is 1 March, 2011.  
Local finals will be completed by 22 March, 2011.

Students can register, through their teach or supervisor to take part by emailing **borszekijudit@gmail.com**. Further information can be obtained by calling **06-30-999-3000**.

Semi-finals and Final to be both held at Magyar Telekom Headquarter, H-1013 Budapest, Krisztina krt. 55. t, on Saturday, 16 April, 2011.



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