# Martin Eayrs - indicative published material

#### **Published books**

- Computer English, Penguin, London, 2000. Republished by Pearson Taiwan 2002.
  Republished by Foreign Language Teaching and Research Press, China 2003
- English Markets: Latin America (Argentina), The English Company, Milton Keynes, 1999
- English 2000 Landmark Review Argentina, The British Council, 1997

### Newspaper and magazine columns

Weekly: 'English and Education', in the Buenos Aires Herald, 1993-95

'Focus on English' in the Buenos Aires Herald, 1982-92

'Learning in the Limelight, in the Buenos Aires Herald, 1987-91

'Word Play', in the Buenos Aires Herald, 1984-99

Occasional: Interviews, book reviews and conference reports for the Buenos Aires

Herald, 1982-1999.

Contributions to Buenos Aires Herald Educational Supplement, 1996-99

Contributions to the ABCC Bulletin, After Hours, Educación Contínua, High College, The Buenos Aires News, The Hermetic Garage, IPEI Journal, The

Inner Eye and other South American publications.

#### Other publications

• Entries on education and employment possibilities in Latin America in Hobson's Education Casebook (printed and online editions), 1997, 1998, 2000 and 2001.

#### **Academic articles** (a selection)

- "A Principled Methodology for Information Retrieval on the Web", in The Information Universe: Journal of Issues in Informing Science & Information Technology" vol 3 (2006), ed. Eli Cohen, Informing Science Press, Santa Rosa CA. ISBN 1-932886-00-1, ISSN: 1547-9684
- 'Not just a database: Implementing multimedia learning objects on the VLE', in CALL Review Spring 2006 issue, IATEFL Learning Technologies Special Interests Group.
- Published paper in proceedings of University of Salford Conference Education in a Changing Environment (Sep 2003)
- "Download at your peril" in Folio 8.1, Journal of The Materials Development Association (MATSDA), 2003
- "All that Glitters is not Gold" in *Approach*, Journal of Asociación de Lingüistica de Cuba, Dec. 2002.
- English Language Teaching Journal 56:4, 2002, Review of Language and the Internet, D Crystal, CUP 2000

- 'Teaching one to one', EnglishLive 9, 2002
- 'Getting more out of your email software', Modern English Teacher 11:1, 2002
- 'Keeping your computer friendly', Modern English Teacher 11.2, 2002
- 'Mixed ability classrooms', EnglishLive 7, 2002
- English Language Teaching Journal 55:1, 2001, A comparative review of How to use the Internet in ELT, D Teeler with P Grey, Longman 2000; The Internet, S Windeatt with D Hardisty and D Eastment, OUP 2000; and The Internet and the Language Classroom, G Dudeney, CUP 2000.
- 'Argentine English', Modern English Teacher 10:3, 2001
- 'Choosing an English course book', EnglishLive 4, 2001
- 'Getting students to listen outside the classroom', EnglishLive 3, 2001
- 'Getting students to read outside the classroom', EnglishLive 2, 2001
- 'How to set up free pages on public servers', Modern English Teacher 10.1, 2001
- Is your use of email user-friendly', Modern English Teacher 10.4, 2001
- 'Language learning in the year 2026', in Folio 6.1, 2001
- 'More word games Tom Swifties and beyond', Modern English Teacher 10.3, 2001
- 'Nifty Fifties Swifties', Modern English Teacher 10.1, 2001
- 'Problems with word order', EnglishLive 1, 2001
- 'Tech & Spec: search engines and file extensions', Modern English Teacher 10.2, 2001

## Publishing experience

- I was editor of IATEFL Voices from May 2000 to April 2008. I also set up and managed the Issues part of the website during this period.
- From 2001 to 2003 I was responsible for the production (DTP and pre-press) of Folio, journal of the Materials Development Association
- I was commissioned by Pearson Education to set up OnlineMET (the website for Modern English Teacher) in January 2000 and maintained the site until Pearson sold it in July 2002.
   During this time I was also IT section editor for the printed edition of Modern English Teacher.
- From 1994-2000 I was editor and publisher of *ELT News & Views*, a magazine for teachers of English in southern South America.
- From 1997-2001 I was editor of an electronic publication for teachers of English, N&V-L, which circulated throughout southern South America.
- From 1997 to 2005 I was administrator of IATEFL-PAL, an electronic information and discussion list for international partners and associates of IATEFL, and ran other internal electronic lists for the association.
- I have produced in-conference newsletters for Braz-TESOL, LAURELS and LABCI at conferences in Brazil, Uruguay and Argentina (1994-99).
- In 1991 I set up the IATEFL Argentina newsletter, which I edited until 1993.

#### Papers and presentations

Over the last few years I have given lectures and workshops on aspects of ICT, publishing, language and teaching methodology. These include:

- "A principled methodology for information retrieval", semi-plenary at InSITE (Informing Science + IT Education) conference, Greater Manchester, June 2006.
- Invited plenary speaker at Bilkent University, Turkey, June 2006. FAE Symposium on "Challenges and Expectations of English-medium Higher Education" - session on "The challenges of ICT".
- Workshop at Bilkent University, Turkey, June 2006. FAE Symposium on "Challenges and Expectations of English-medium Higher Education" - session on "What's wrong with wikipedia?"
- Invited to participate as a lecturer on the 'How to' track at the IATEFL Annual Conference, Harrogate, April 2006: "Practical issues in newsletter production."
- A workshop on design and layout issues for newsletter editors, IATEFL Annual Conference, Liverpool, April 2004.
- A workshop on production issues for newsletter editors, IATEFL Annual Conference, Brighton, April 2003.
- All that glitters is not gold ..., BALEAP Annual Conference, Southampton, April 2003.
- Download at your Peril: some dangers of using web sources, Annual MATSDA Conference, Leeds, January 2003. Invited speaker.
- Computers won't replace teachers, but ..., 11th Annual GELI Conference, Asociación de Lingüistas de Cuba, Havana, December 2002. Invited plenary speaker.
- ICT: here to stay, with you or without you ..., International House Educators' Conference, London, May 2002. Invited plenary speaker.
- A practical guide to producing and using ELT newsletters, IATEFL Annual Conference, Brighton, April 2001.
- Cowboys and Conscience: professionalism in ELT, TESOL Spain 2001, Seville, Spain, November 2000
- Disentangling the Web a guide to principled surfing and searching, Granada English Teachers Association Annual Conference, Granada, Spain, September 2000
- Adapting to the constraints of the Internet, English Speaking Scholastic Association of the River Plate, Buenos Aires, Argentina, May 2000.
- Principled surfing, if you please, IATEFL Chile International Conference, Santiago, Chile, May 2000
- Key Strategies in marketing MA courses in Central and South America, Open University Forum, Milton Keynes, February 2000
- La importancia de los exámenes de UCLES en la Argentina y en otros países (in Spanish), Expo-Universidad 1999, Buenos Aires, Argentina, September 1999
- Critical thinking and reflective teaching (co-presenter), Third International Cono Sur TESOL Convention, Buenos Aires, Argentina, August 1999
- Setting up the Business English Course, LABCI International Conference, Montevideo, Uruguay, July 1999
- Electronic resources and academic integrity, First Convention of the teaching of English in Higher Education, Mar del Plata, Province of Buenos Aires, Argentina, May 1999
- Evaluating email and internet resources for the English teacher, Annual Conference of the Asociación de Profesores de Inglés de Buenos Aires, Buenos Aires, Argentina, May 1999

- Desenredando la Web (in Spanish), VII Jornadas de Enseñañza de Lenguas Extranjeras en el Nivel Superior, Mendoza, Argentina, April 1999
- How to set up and run an elist, IATEFL Annual Conference, Brighton, April 1999
- English teachers online, 2nd MATSDA Dublin Conference, Dublin, Ireland, January 1999.
  Invited plenary speaker.
- Email discourse and conventions, Instituto Nacional Superior Profesorado Joaquín V Gonzalez, Buenos Aires, Argentina, October 1998
- Teaching English a profession, or just a job like any other?, VI Annual Congress for Students and Teachers, Santa Fe, Argentina, October 1998
- English on a shoestring but how long is a piece of string?, Federación Argentina de Asociaciones de Profesores de Inglés (FAAPI), Bahía Blanca, Argentina, September 1998. Invited plenary speaker (co-presenter)
- The ELT situation in Argentina, briefing to BASELT delegation, Buenos Aires, Argentina, September 1998
- Argentina a suitable case for treatment? (co-presenter), British Council ELT Conference, Oxford, UK, July 1998
- The Argentine Foreign Language Reform Project (on behalf of the Argentine Ministry of Education), Brazil TESOL Annual Conference, Recife, Brazil, July 1998
- El impacto de las nuevas tecnologías en la enseñanza de idiomas (in Spanish), Buenos Aires Book Fair (for Argentine Ministry of Education), Buenos Aires, Argentina, May 1998
- The Business of teaching Business English, IATEFL Chile International Conference, Santiago, Chile, May 1998
- Why the learner of English sounds 'foreign' a realistic appraisal of the problems facing the Spanish-speaking learner, LAURELS International Conference, Montevideo, Uruguay, May 1998
- External resourcing for the grassroots teacher: Argentina, a case study (co-presenter), IATEFL Annual Conference, Edinburgh, April 1998
- We don't say it because we don't say it a brief look at collocations in English, Norwich Institute of Higher Education (Guest lecturer), Norwich, January 1998
- Evaluación, examenes y enseñanza de inglés (in Spanish), Encuentro Nacional de Enseñanza de Idiomas de la Red Ibero-Americana de Supervisores de Educación (REDISE), Buenos Aires, Argentina, October 1997
- Some problems faced by Spanish speaking teachers of English, Instituto Nacional Superior Profesorado Río Cuarto, Río Cuarto, Argentina, October 1997
- Errors, mistakes and correction, TESOL Chile International Conference, Santiago, Chile, October 1997
- Producing and using newsletters in ELT, Paraguay TESOL Convention, Asunción, Paraguay, September 1997
- Choosing a course provider, Anglo-American Chamber of Commerce, Buenos Aires, Argentina, August 1997
- Criteria for setting up Business English courses, Fifth LAURELS International Conference,
  São Paulo, Brazil, July 1997
- The business of teaching Business English, BrazTESOL Annual Conference, Goiânia, Brazil, July 1997
- La enseñanza de inglés en la República Argentina (in Spanish), International Conference of the Federation International de Professeurs de Langues Vivants (Argentine delegate), Montevideo, Uruguay, April 1997

#### Consultancy work

Between closing down the *Victoria School of English* in 1996 and re-entering employment as a University lecturer I worked as an independent consultant. Some of my activities in this respect have been:

- Member of accreditation team for setting up of International Foundation Certificate at Dublin City University, Ireland (June 2004)
- Member of validation team assessing a Foundation Programme for International Students at CES Embassy (Hastings), validated by Liverpool John Moores University, (June 2004)
- Commissioned by the **Open University** and **Nottingham Trent University** (UK) to produce marketing plans for a distance MA option in Latin America (2000).
- Consultant to **Pearson Education** for the Longman English Online project (2000-2001)
- Commissioned by Mary Glasgow to produce a report on ELT marketing opportunities in Argentina in Latin America (2000).
- Commissioned by the **British Council** (UK) to update the *English 2000 Landmark* Review for Argentina (1999)
- Contracted by **ExpoUniversidad**, organisers of international students' fairs in Latin America, as academic co-ordinator with the remit of organising a programme of talks, seminars and panel sessions during their five-day fair in Buenos Aires (1999).
- Contracted by **Boston Scientific**'s South American International Office (1999) to perform evaluation and needs analyses of their employees prior to implementing English Training in the company.
- Contracted by **Oxford Brookes University** to provide marketing information and recommendations prior to promotion of their academic products in the South American market (1999).
- Commissioned by **Hobson's** to write a report on Universities in Argentina for their 1997 *International Education Casebook*, repeated in 1998, 2000 and 2001.
- Retainer contract with the **British Council** (Argentina) as ELT consultant with particular responsibility for providing ELT marketing information (for the MIS-L list), mission briefings and liaison with the Argentine Ministry of Education with regard to ELT activities and initiatives (1996-98).
- Liaison for joint project involving BASELT, British Council and Argentina's National Ministry of Education: a survey into ways in which the UK might support local ELT initiatives (1997-98).
- Commissioned by the **British Council** to carry out research for inclusion in a report on teaching Young Learners (1998, published 2000).
- Commissioned by the **London Chamber of Commerce and Industry Examinations Board** to perform a feasibility study for the launch of a new ELT product on the South American market (1998).
- Commissioned by the **British Council** (UK) to research and write the *English 2000 Landmark Review* for Argentina (1997).
- Commissioned by the Escuela Superior de Hotelería (CEPEC), Buenos Aires, to evaluate their English language training component (1997)

• Commissioned by the **Argentine Navy** (*Armada Argentina*) to assess the efficiency and relevance of the *Lackland* English language teaching programme, in use in their officer's training school (1996).

## Membership of Professional Associations

- Committee member of IATEFL (1998-2006) and member of IATEFL since 1991
- Ex-committee member of Materials Development Association (MATSDA) (2000-2002) and member since 1998
- Founder member of British Institute of English Language Teaching (BIELT) and full Fellow until its dissolution in 2002.
- Argentine representative for the Fédération International de Professeurs des Langues Vivants (1996-99)
- Founder member of IATEFL Argentina, committee member (1991-94) and member until dissolution of Association in 1999.
- Current member of TESOL (International), and the Brazil and Uruguay branches of TESOL from 1995 - 2000

#### Referees

These can be supplied on request.