

**Michaelmas Term 1999**

Comparative Philology : Graduate Seminar

**WRITING AND LITERACY**

(Conveners : Dr. J.H.W. Penney and Ms. P. Probert)

**Tuesday, 2.15-4 p.m., in the Centre for Linguistics and Philology**  
[starting in Second Week]

Tuesday, 19 October (Second Week)

**Dr. Elizabeth Tucker**

*An ancient phonetic alphabet? The Pahlavi writing systems and the creation of a script for Avestan*

Tuesday, 26 October (Third Week)

**Ms. Ela Harrison and Mr. Andreas Willi**

*The beginnings of alphabetic writing in the Mediterranean region*  
(Report on the workshop on the origins of the alphabet, Tel Aviv, 11-22 July 1999)

Tuesday, 2 November (Fourth Week)

**Dr. Eleanor Robson**

*Learning cuneiform in early Mesopotamia*

Tuesday, 9 November (Fifth Week)

**Dr. John Penney**

*The ancient Hispanic script : origins and varieties*

Tuesday, 16 November (Sixth Week)

**Dr. Paul Russell**

*Beth luis nin, aipgitir, egywyddor, abecedarium : scripts and orthographies in early insular Celtic*

Tuesday, 23 November (Seventh Week)

**Ms. Philomen Probert**

*Traditional spelling in post-classical Greek*

Tuesday, 30 November (Eighth Week)

**Dr. John Penney**

*Spelling it out in Venetic*