Observation Session 4

Wednesday, 8 January 2020 2:15 PM

Researcher I'll just record - it's going, ok, yep, perfect TC 00:00:00.250 - 00:00:07.050

P2 ok, I'm P2

TC 00:00:04.430 - 00:00:07.039 P3 P3

TC 00:00:06.380 - 00:00:07.909

P2 P3, nice to meet you

TC 00:00:07.350 - 00:00:08.872

P3 nice to meet you, P2

TC 00:00:08.010 - 00:00:10.204

P2 uh, how long have you lived in the Czech Republic? TC 00:00:09.642 - 00:00:12.070

P3 I think about twenty-three years, if I would add all that time together, how about you? TC 00:00:11.525 - 00:00:16.696

P2 wow

TC 00:00:12.993 - 00:00:13.790

SD (1.46)

P2 um, I think twelve now, again it's been a couple - it's two different times now, so, uh TC 00:00:15.251 - 00:00:24.322

P3 yeah

TC 00:00:22.044 - 00:00:23.695

SD (0.64)

P2 uh, but somewhere around twelve TC 00:00:24.344 - 00:00:25.418

P3 ok

TC 00:00:24.835 - 00:00:26.037

P2 yeah

TC 00:00:25.875 - 00:00:26.766

P3 cool

TC 00:00:26.470 - 00:00:28.548

P2 I'm not Australian, so, we can't talk about life in Australia [laughs] TC 00:00:27.197 - 00:00:32.267

P3 I can't talk about that either, I've never been to Australia TC 00:00:30.353 - 00:00:35.581

P2 where are you from originally? TC 00:00:33.923 - 00:00:36.263

P3 Long Island

TC 00:00:35.581 - 00:00:36.776

P2 ok, I'm from Seattle, yeah, what brought you here? TC 00:00:36.299 - 00:00:41.446

P3 how bout you? oh right, yeah TC 00:00:36.776 - 00:00:39.317

SD (1.22)

P3 originally, a study abroad program TC 00:00:40.540 - 00:00:44.999

P2 oh ok nice, nice

TC 00:00:42.657 - 00:00:46.010

P3 yeah and that was all the way back in 1993 TC 00:00:45.078 - 00:00:48.908

P2 wow, I can't imagine what the country must have looked like back in '93 or I guess I can imagine maybe a little bit but

TC 00:00:47.523 - 00:00:56.771

P3 in some of the run-down, run-down parts it looks about the same, so what brought you here? TC 00:00:54.477 - 00:01:02.103

P2 my husband's job, originally, yeah, yeah yeah so, I came as like a expat wife at first, um, but uh, we just fell in love with it here, we were unprepared for how much expat life suited

us and, I think we were lucky that Prague was like the first place that we got sent so, um, we were kinda up for anything and we just ended up falling in love with Czech Republic in

general, so

TC 00:01:00.494 - 00:01:27.352

P3 ok

TC 00:01:17.654 - 00:01:19.724

SD (5.19)

P3 what does your husband do? TC 00:01:24.919 - 00:01:28.069

P2 he runs an office for a US, well now it's a healthcare company and he runs all the like - they do everything in the IT side over here, all the RD and user interface stuff and all the app

production, all that kinda stuff is done here TC 00:01:27.548 - 00:01:47.509

P3 ok

TC 00:01:44.571 - 00:01:46.065

SD (0.71)

P3 cool

TC 00:01:46.780 - 00:01:49.149

P2 what do you - do you - what do you do for work here now or [unint]? TC 00:01:48.036 - 00:01:52.783

P3 um, I teach social sciences but I have quit my job and I won't be doing that anymore after next week! TC 00:01:50.172 - 00:01:57.706

P2 wow, that's exciting!

TC 00:01:55.772 - 00:01:58.918

P3 or not in the immediate future anyway TC 00:01:57.735 - 00:02:01.019

P2 yeah, is that a positive thing like are you- are you TC 00:01:59.434 - 00:02:04.493

P3 it is, it is, it was time - um, it's really complicated, I could talk for a long time about it, but I have a lot of plans, but you know - these - this much, you know, that I've got on my

mind that I might do and about this much capacity to do it, so we'll see what happens TC 00:02:02.602 - 00:02:23.785

P2 going after something else or? TC 00:02:04.526 - 00:02:06.561

SD (1.19)

P2 ok

TC 00:02:07.754 - 00:02:09.876

SD (9.08)

P2 right

TC 00:02:18.963 - 00:02:21.238

SD (0.71)

P2 nice, nice

TC 00:02:21.952 - 00:02:23.827

SD (0.27)

P3 and you, do you work?

TC 00:02:24.101 - 00:02:26.278

P2 yeah, I uh, I own a martial arts school actually, yeah, ah, tai kwon do is our base martial art, that's what I - I have my fourth degree black belt in tai kwon do, and then we teach krav

maga for self defence as well, so uh, the academy is like in its third year now, I taught an after school club for six years and then it just kind of word of mouth spread and I needed

somewhere else to teach, so, it's been- it's been a lot of fun, it's been crazy trying to figure out how to own a business here as a - as a - an expat and that kind of thing but uh, but

it's been good

TC 00:02:25.287 - 00:02:59.651

P3 oh really

TC 00:02:27.814 - 00:02:29.243

P3 what kind?

TC 00:02:29.243 - 00:02:30.382

SD (1.55)

P3 ok

TC 00:02:31.933 - 00:02:32.969

SD (1.33)

P3 cool

TC 00:02:34.301 - 00:02:35.303

SD (2.47)

P3 ok

TC 00:02:37.776 - 00:02:39.001

SD (19.06)

P3 alright

TC 00:02:58.061 - 00:03:00.354

SD (1.02)

P2 uh, what about travel - do you get to travel much? TC 00:03:01.381 - 00:03:06.808

P3 travel... not that much, not really. I have a family, I've got three kids, a homestead, some animals TC 00:03:04.400 - 00:03:16.348

P2 yeah

TC 00:03:07.964 - 00:03:10.255

SD (1.59)

P2 oh yeah, ok

TC 00:03:11.852 - 00:03:13.450

SD (1.38)

P2 wow, nice, ok

TC 00:03:14.832 - 00:03:17.169

P3 how bout you?

TC 00:03:16.348 - 00:03:17.363

P2 I've one - one son, he's 14, he just started high school, so uh, we're getting into - pretty good time I think, like, where he's very independent but uh, he's still - he's still not too

teenager-y, you know, so we have our good times but it's also - my husband and I are discovering what life after kids is gonna look like, a little bit slowly but surely you know, because

he's starting to become so independent uh but we just live here in the city, so TC 00:03:17.223 - 00:03:47.977

P3 what kind of a high school does he go to? TC 00:03:45.412 - 00:03:48.768

P2 he goes to international high school, um, when we first moved here I didn't ever imagine that I'd be here for this long, and he was so talkative and so social and it made me so sad

to think of him not being able to like, communicate, so we put him into an international school, and by the time we realised that this was home, it was too hard to make him leave all of

his friends and switch so, if I would've known then what I know now, I'd probably put him into the Czech system just because I would love it if he was fluent in Czech and felt a little

bit more - he feels connected here, but through his sort of group of expat friends and things like that, I don't think he- he identifies, I mean he's not Czech he doesn't identify Czech

necessarily as like, homegrown or whatever but... I don't know TC 00:03:48.166 - 00:04:37.709

P2 and your kids were all born here, I imagine? TC 00:04:37.709 - 00:04:39.771

P3 yes, they were, um, I haven't been here for 23 consecutive years, that wouldn't work out from 1993 to 2019, um, but they were born here, my son is 17, he's the oldest and he goes to a

high school in Prague as well, he lives in Prague.

TC 00:04:38.523 - 00:04:54.976

P2 you've been to - 23 wow

TC 00:04:39.771 - 00:04:41.117

P2 nice

TC 00:04:41.117 - 00:04:42.280

SD (11.31)

P2 oh wow, ok, and you live outside the city, you said you have a homestead type of thing, nice TC 00:04:53.591 - 00:05:00.260

P3 yes, yes, but we also have an apartment, so we kicked our tenant out and put xxxxx in, this fall, yeah TC 00:04:56.673 - 00:05:06.384

P2 that works out, yeah, how do you like living outside the city? That's something that I dream of sometimes, for as much as I love Prague

TC 00:05:03.523 - 00:05:12.674

P3 oh, I would never trade it, I would never go back, we did live in that apartment for a little while when we were first married, and then, for about nine months when we had xxx but we

were already looking for a place to- to live, you know, outside the city TC 00:05:08.679 - 00:05:25.841

P2 yeah I miss the- the kind of having land and uh, a little bit quieter life, um, sorry TC 00:05:23.549 - 00:05:36.209

P3 yeah

TC 00:05:31.229 - 00:05:32.370

SD (1.45)

P3 there are only about 12 households in our village, more livestock than people, no public buildings except for a fire house, there's no store there's no pub there's no post office,

closest grocery store is about 8km away, so our village has to be served by um, a grocery truck otherwise some people wouldn't eat

TC 00:05:33.826 - 00:05:56.147

P2 oh wow, ok

TC 00:05:43.465 - 00:05:45.895

SD (5.91)

P2 oh cool, yeah I imagine the older.. it's- yeah, wow TC 00:05:51.808 - 00:06:00.224

P3 yes, sometimes wild pigs run through the village square TC 00:05:56.579 - 00:06:04.214

P2 wow, how far outside of Prague is it? TC 00:06:02.338 - 00:06:07.643

P3 it's only about 50 kilometres, but it's really another world TC 00:06:05.967 - 00:06:10.503

P2 yeah, no that's - it's - one of the cool things, I think about this area is that you don't have to get too far outside the city to really feel like you're back in nature a bit

TC 00:06:08.978 - 00:06:20.052

P3 yeah

TC 00:06:16.343 - 00:06:17.611

SD (2.44)

P2 uh, let's see

TC 00:06:20.052 - 00:06:21.647

P3 places do you want to visit TC 00:06:21.270 - 00:06:26.734

P2 um, southeast Asia is next on our list, as having lived in Europe now for so long we - have done a lot of travelling in Europe and now we're looking for like new, like another culture

shock type experience like we had when we were first here TC 00:06:25.858 - 00:06:38.867

P3 Just as visitors, though

TC 00:06:36.272 - 00:06:39.623

P2 oh for sure, yeah yeah yeah, um, we have some friends who have lived in Southeast Asia, and I think

- I mean some have really loved it and some haven't and, I don't know if I'm that

adventurous to - to be able to - but - and I'm not a humidity person, I would much rather be minus 20 than like, plus 30 [laughs], yeah so, but definitely travelling there, I would love

to experience the culture and history and stuff in a kinda different way [unint] TC 00:06:38.982 - 00:07:14.638

P3 you don't have frizzy hair do you see I have [unint] kind of place TC 00:06:56.223 - 00:07:04.097

SD (10.74)

P2 what about you, any dream travel opportunities? TC 00:07:14.843 - 00:07:19.135

P3 I would like to see Iceland, Greece, um Georgia TC 00:07:17.274 - 00:07:25.564

P2 ok yeah, very cool

TC 00:07:19.521 - 00:07:21.817

SD (1.82)

P2 I've heard wonderful things about Georgia, never been TC 00:07:23.640 - 00:07:28.325

P3 I've heard such great things TC 00:07:26.274 - 00:07:30.459

SD (2.72)

P3 films, I don't go to the cinema, I don't have time for that, I don't have netflix I don't have a TV I don't stream films I just - it's not even laudism? I just don't have time

TC 00:07:33.187 - 00:07:43.408

P2 oh wow

TC 00:07:38.050 - 00:07:40.145

SD (1.3)

P2 yeah, yeah yeah

TC 00:07:41.451 - 00:07:44.584

P3 although well, alright I did watch one film this semester, I gave myself a little treat and I watched Midsommar and it was good, not in the cinema though I managed to download a copy

TC 00:07:43.577 - 00:07:56.602

P3 but I'm - I'm not the person to ask that, how about you? TC 00:07:56.617 - 00:08:00.333

P2 um, I've been trying to watch some more Czech films lately, and I've - I don't know if it's the style that I'm choosing or whatever but the last Czech film I watched was like the worst

movie I've ever seen in my life, it was called, uh, I think it was just called špindl, and it was about these three sisters who went to špindlervni mlýn for a - uh - ski holiday and they

all found love in like the most ridiculous ways and, it was one of those where I was sitting there like the whole time, like why am I still watching this, why am I still watching this,

but I - I am at the point in my language where like I just need more vocabulary I need to keep hearing, and so for me it was like more a test of like, am I gonna understand all of this

without subtitles all the way through, like TC 00:07:59.499 - 00:08:48.856

P3 and what was it?

TC 00:08:12.188 - 00:08:14.327

SD (6.61)

P3 ski holiday

TC 00:08:20.945 - 00:08:23.854

SD (16.6)

P3 ok

TC 00:08:40.457 - 00:08:42.306

SD (3.74)

P3 probably a lot of jokes, a lot of double entendres in a film like that TC 00:08:46.046 - 00:08:50.482

P2 yeah, yeah and so there were some things I only got like, after, oh that's what that meant, and so yes that's the, the upside but um, man it was so dumb

TC 00:08:49.321 - 00:09:02.484

P3 my husband is an actor and he was in a TV production yesterday and he had to be the neighbour of this pregnant woman who um, I dunno her water broke and whatever like, you know her

labour started and so, she wanted him to drive -I dunno what the reason was, why she couldn't take a ambulance but um, you know she wanted him to drive her in his car, and he wouldn't

because he didn't want the car getting dirty, so she like, just carjacked it and drove herself to the hospital and in the end he apologises and gives her flowers, he's just like, I don't

like to play an asshole, it's like yes you do, and he's like alright but not a dumb one TC 00:09:01.655 - 00:09:40.355

SD (0.23)

P2 so he does like, Czech TV stuff or just any kind of - TC 00:09:40.591 - 00:09:45.562

P3 um, he is Czech and he's a member of the xxxxxxxxxxx theatre, one of the younger ones, he's not, you know 87 years old [unint] he's 51, and here and there he does TV or um - he'll do

amateur theatre productions in addition to the xxxxxxx movies, whatever TC 00:09:43.283 - 00:10:05.412

P2 ok, ok

TC 00:09:47.051 - 00:09:48.767

SD (1.71)

P2 yeah, yeah [laughs]

TC 00:09:50.484 - 00:09:53.508

SD (10.54)

P2 you guys met here?

TC 00:10:04.052 - 00:10:07.506

P3 yes

TC 00:10:06.690 - 00:10:07.744

SD (0.06)

P2 nice

TC 00:10:07.813 - 00:10:08.520

SD (1.86)

Researcher so I think that's probably about it, that's the ten minutes, so thank you for that, it's really um TC 00:10:10.380 - 00:10:17.303

P2 ok

TC 00:10:12.850 - 00:10:14.575