

PREFACE

This is a major new edition of László Országh's *English–Hungarian Dictionary* first published in 1960 and revised in 1976.

As these dates show an updating of the linguistic material of the dictionary has long been overdue. It is a commonplace that all dictionaries are outdated at the moment of their publication. The late László Országh himself believed that a good dictionary must reflect historical events, breakthroughs in science and technology and all recent changes in the world and in society. All such events and changes produce their new vocabulary. It is the lexicographer's duty to monitor and record current linguistic developments – and the publisher's to make it available for the general reading public.

To help users find their way through two languages and through an enormous number of linguistic items, we have employed new typefaces that enhance access and readability.

It is hoped that the use of this dictionary will be a source not only of much information and knowledge but also of pleasure.

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