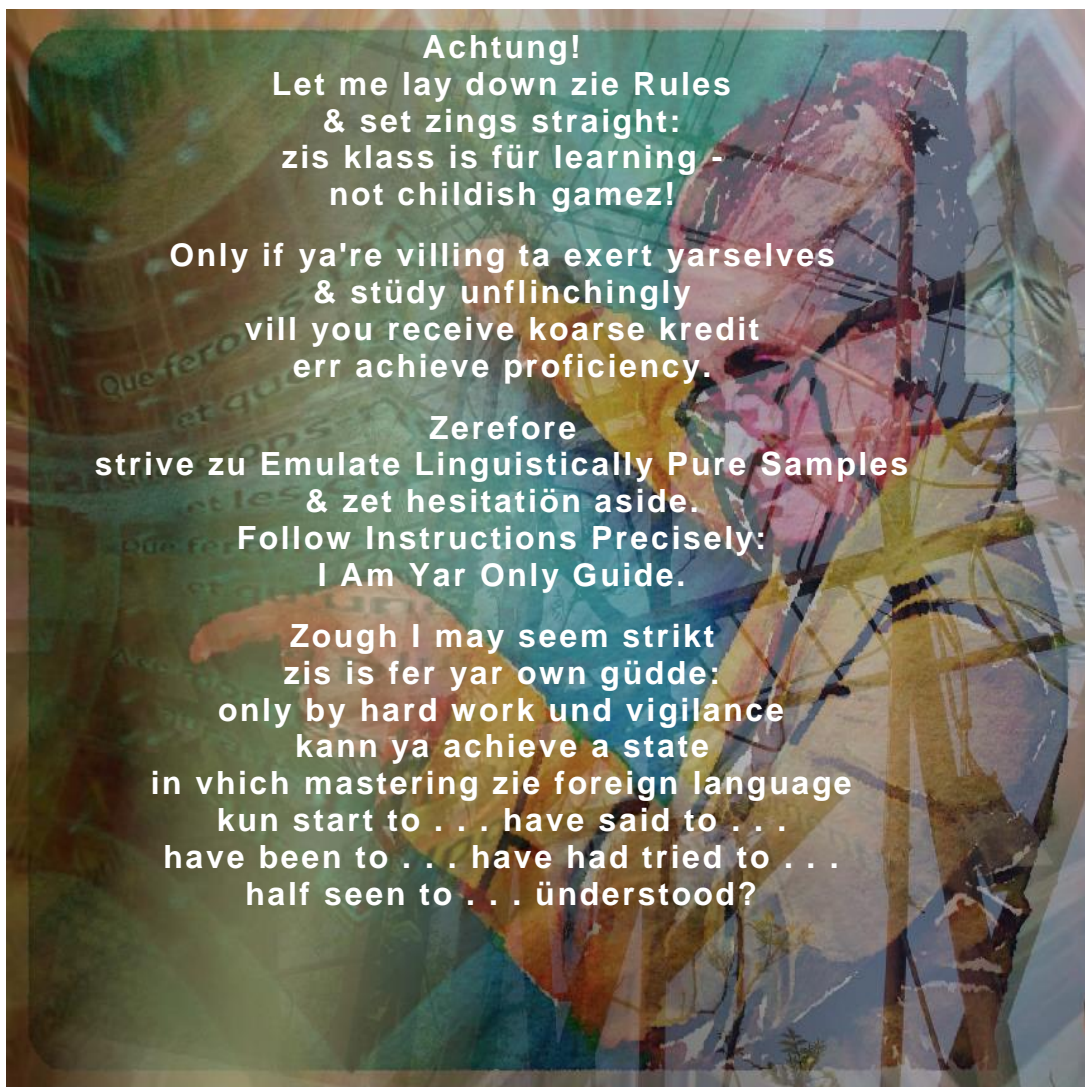


## **CLASSROOM DICTATOR:** **The Politics of Classroom Power**



Achtung!

Let me lay down zie Rules  
& set zings straight:  
zis klass is für learning -  
not childish gamez!

Only if ya're villing ta exert yarselves  
& stüdy unflinchingly  
vill you receive koarse kredit  
err achieve proficiency.

Zerefore  
strive zu Emulate Linguistically Pure Samples  
& zet hesitiätön aside.  
Follow Instructions Precisely:  
I Am Yar Only Guide.

Zough I may seem strikt  
zis is fer yar own güdde:  
only by hard work und vigilance  
kann ya achieve a state  
in which mastering zie foreign language  
kun start to . . . have said to . . .  
have been to . . . have had tried to . . .  
half seen to . . . ünderstood?

*Melissa:* Some schools are boot-camps. Others are experiments in anarchy.

*Liao:* Insipientes homines. Se l'uomo stolto? Adakah soalan bodoh?

*Melissa:* What are you doing?

*Liao:* Hmm? (smiling) Ah, simply experimenting in anarchy...

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