

2. The misuse of the English language on television is appalling. The global stop is an ugly device which belongs in the German language, not in ours. It is becoming more widespread as television reporters, commentators etc adopt it deliberately because it seems to be "fashionable". I have even heard "they-uh-able-tuh-ask-fuh-advice". Is this English? Another gem was "Doctor David Kelly went home to Oxfordshire".

You asked for comments. Those are mine.

Yours faithfully,  
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Dear Sirs,

I picked up your leaflet "YOUR BBC YOUR SAY" in the Library this morning. You invite comments: I have two.

1. Having done considerable damage to the community with your propagation of foul language, you should now turn your attention to cleaning it up. This language is only enjoyed by the immature minority. Children use the "f" word freely, having seen it described as "strong adult language". At the outset it was said that "parents could always switch off at 9 pm" but it leaks out via the uncaring parents who do not switch off at 9 pm.