

**English Is Best for Haiku**

Spanish beats for rhyme  
but English wins for nuance:  
no lingual taproot

we're a shameless sponge  
absorbing invaders' tongues  
since Neanderthals:

Celts, Angles, Saxons,  
Romans, Danes, Jutes, Normans, Dutch  
... Greek-Latin mélange

our tasty fusion  
blends conquerors' words' flavors,  
baked in this quintet

far beyond Europe,  
Japanese lends us "haiku"  
which proves my point, eh?



