**PODYPLOMOWE STUDIA DLA TLUMACZY TEKSTÓW SPECJALISTYCZNYCH**

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**SEKCJA JĘZYKA ANGIELSKIEGO**

**Oxford & Cambridge Boat Race**

As two the world’s great seats of learning, Oxford and Cambridge universities regularly engage in titanic cerebral struggles. But for one day only they use brawn rather than brain to clash on the spring waters of the Thames.

The idea for a rowing race between the universities came from two friends – Cambridge student Charles Merivale and Oxford student Charles Wordsworth (nephew of the poet William Wordsworth). On 12 March 1829, Cambridge sent a challenge to Oxford and the tradition was born which has continued to the present day, where the loser of the previous year’s race challenges the opposition to a re-match.

The race has now become a major international event. Join the 250,000 excited spectators along the river or millions of TV viewers to cheer on every aching bicep and straining calf.

But think yourself lucky not to be the winning cox. His prize for guiding the crew to victory? Being thrown in the still icy waters of the Thames.