Abstract:

The topic of this bacherol thesis is realism of the Spanish picaresque novels and it is

analyzed on the basis of knowledge of literary theory. The thesis presents various

perspectives on realism picaresque novels, the emphasis is primarily focused on the

three basic novels constituting the genre - Lazarillo of Tormes, Life and Deeds of the

Cunning Rogue Guzman de Alfarache and Quevedo's Buscón; there are presented

different approaches of Czech and foreign theorists which was, in the historical

context, often changing. The aim is to give a summary of the topic in the Czech

language, due to the fact that a number of works dealing with this issue are available

only in Spanish.

Key words: Picaresque novel, Lazarillo, Realism, Spanish literature