

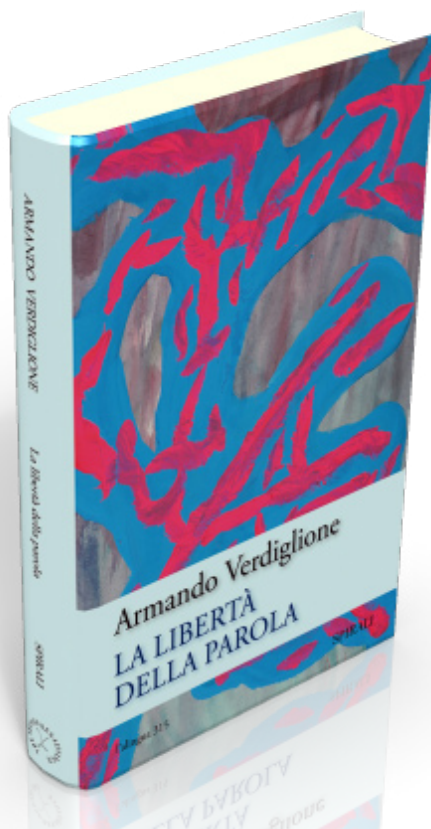
POLITICS AND ITS LANGUAGE

LA POLITICA E LA SUA LINGUA

(2009), PAGES 444

**Politics is pragmatic. It dwells in the word.
Politics is intellectual, because
it is the politics of the word**

Political discourse is not intellectual. Intellectual politics is independent of will, of persuasion (and, likewise, of good sense and consensus), and proceeds from the aperture. How is one to teach? How is one to govern? How is one to administrate?



THE FREEDOM OF THE WORD

LA LIBERTÀ DELLA PAROLA

(2009), PAGES 262

**The freedom of the word, the freedom
of life, freedom as the virtue of principle**

Freedom is an impossible theme. Freedom is as independent of knowledge as it is of conscience. Freedom is of the word, not of the subject. Freedom: how can it be loved? How can it be hated? And how many ideas act in its name? The freedom of the word is this: it is impossible to talk about the word. The freedom of the word calls for the intellectual question, as well as for the dispositive of the word. The most intolerable thing of all is the word. Freedom is a virtue of the principle of the word.