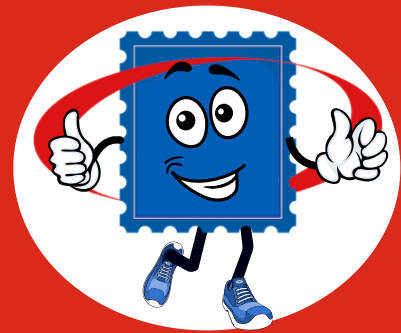


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REASONS TO STUDY LANGUAGES



1. CONNECTIONS

Being able to communicate with someone in his or her language is an incredible gift. Bilinguals have the unique opportunity to communicate with a wider range of people in their personal and professional lives.

2. CONFIDENCE

Learning a language means putting yourself out there and moving out of your comfort zone. Boosting your confidence and generating an amazing sense of accomplishment when conversing with someone in their native language.

3. CAREER ADVANCES

Language skills can be a great competitive advantage that helps you to stand out. They are among the top eight skills required of all occupations no matter your sector or skill level.

4. PROBLEM-SOLVING SKILLS

Language learning boosts your memory and your logical faculties, which are directly linked to your problem-solving skills. This means language learning helps you recall information faster, and identify problems more quickly, too.

5. BOOST YOUR BRAIN

The language centre in the brain are so flexible, learning a second language can develop new areas of your mind and strengthen your brain's natural ability to focus.

6. MAKE FRIENDS

Language is a vital part of human connection. Being able to speak multiple languages means you can befriend people from different cultures and expand your friendship circle.

7. CONNECT WITH OTHER CULTURES

Communicating in other languages allows us to appreciate the traditions, religions, arts, and history of other cultures. Encouraging understanding and promoting greater tolerance, empathy, and acceptance of others.

8. EXPLORE YOUR OWN CITY

Many cities have different 'cultural' pockets where different ethnicities congregate. Now you can check out what they have to offer and interact on a more personal level with people there.

9. SEE NEW PLACES

Traveling as a speaker of the local language can revolutionise a trip abroad. Allowing you to navigate outside the tourist bubble and interact with the place and its people.

10. SCHOLARSHIPS

If you're looking to pursue any form of studies abroad, many universities offer merit based scholarships to individuals who are fluent in the language of that country.

