

Cultural knowledge

Understanding other cultures makes it easier to communicate with people and makes you more insightful.

Learning a language is a great way to add oomph to a CV!



"The communication skills you learn are good for dealing with situations in everyday life."

Confidence

Speaking another language increases your self-belief. You'll learn more about yourself & other people.



Independence

Spending time abroad can help you become more independent, while learning grammar and vocabulary improves your independent learning skills.

Top 10 languages for the future according to the British Council:

- 1. Spanish
- 6. Portuguese
- 2. Arabic
- 7. Italian
- 3. French
- 8. Russian
- 4. Chinese

German

TurkishJapanese

Reference:

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Team-work

This helps you develop empathy, which is crucial to democratic practices. Think about how you work best in a group and test your knowledge with friends!



"I love communicating in different languages and want to share this passion with other people."

Communication

You can communicate with people in their own language. You improve your interpersonal, social and negotiation skills, as well as your ability to express your own opinion.



Analysis

Learning a language improves your critical and analytical thinking. This is a useful skill for a variety of subjects and jobs.



"You will hear a lot about how hard it is to find a job in the UK but having a language really opens up your options."

Creativity

You learn new ways to use language when you need to improvise - this applies to English too.

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92.9% of recent language graduates are employed or in further study.

Memorising

Learning vocab and grammar improves your memory and also boosts your brain power!



Public speaking

You can deliver focused arguments and speeches using your presentation skills which can be handy for your employability.

Employers value the language skills of cultural sensitivity and awareness.



Adaptability

Learning another language means that you can adapt to other cultures. You'll learn about different traditions and meet new people!

