



What are your views on language learning?

Rate these statements A, B, C or D according to how far you agree with each of them. Note your reasons, and any evidence to support your decisions. Then share your views with a colleague and try to reach agreement.

	A Agree strongly	B Agree	C Don't really agree	D Disagree
1 You can learn to speak a foreign language quite well without lessons.	<input type="checkbox"/>			
2 Many secondary students who have studied a foreign language leave school unable to communicate in it.	<input type="checkbox"/>			
3 Learners often go on making the same error even after being corrected many times.	<input type="checkbox"/>			
4 If students learn the rules of grammar they are quickly able to use them.	<input type="checkbox"/>			
5 You must use the language freely to learn to speak it, even if you make a lot of errors.	<input type="checkbox"/>			
6 Teachers should always correct student errors.				<input type="checkbox"/>
7 Reading widely is one of the best ways to learn another language.				<input type="checkbox"/>
8 People of all intellectual abilities can successfully learn another language.				<input type="checkbox"/>
9 The younger you are the better you will learn another language.				<input type="checkbox"/>
10 Extroverts make better language learners.				<input type="checkbox"/>

Did You Know?

Most of the world's people speak two languages in their everyday lives.

Multilingualism is the natural way of life for hundreds of millions.

Mother-tongue speakers of English number over 300 millions.

English, Chinese and Spanish are the three most widespread languages.

Over half the world's business is conducted in English between non-native speakers.

80 per cent of the world's scientists write in English.

75 per cent of the world's mail is written in English.

Over 400 million speak English fluently as a second or foreign language.