Three Areas Configuration

When you write documents in languages other than English, there are three areas where LATEX has to be configured appropriately:

1. All automatically generated text strings (TOC, List of Figures, ...) have to be adapted to the new language.

2. LATEX needs to know the hyphenation rules for the current language.

3. Language specific typographic rules. In French for example, there is a mandatory space before each colon character (:).