

Questionnaire on the vitality of Esperanto

Dear participant,

please answer the following anonymous questionnaire in a complete and accurate way (this will take roughly 30 mins): the data collected here will be used to assess the vitality of Esperanto. Should you wish to know more about this questionnaire, do not hesitate to get in touch and write to: jess82@liverpool.ac.uk

Personal information

Gender

Age

Education

Lower secondary	Upper secondary	BA	MA and above
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Occupation

Place of birthPlace of residence.....

For how long.....

Commuter – specify commuting route

Language(s) spoken in the family

Language(s) acquired first & from whom.....

Language(s) acquired later & from whom

Language(s) of parents

Mother	Father
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Language use

1) Do you understand spoken Esperanto?

Very well	Well	50/50	A little	None
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2) Do you speak Esperanto?

Very well	Well	50/50	A little	None
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3) Who with?

	Gender	Comments
Family (specify)		
Friends		
Neighbours		
Schoolmates		
Nursery Primary Secondary Sixth form		
School teachers		
Nursery Primary Secondary Sixth form		
University mates		
University teachers		
Partner		
Acquaintances		
Colleagues		
(Esperanto) strangers		
Priest		
GP		
Other		

4) Where?

	Comments
Coffee bar/bar	
Market	
Shop (specify)	
School	
University	
Workplace	
Church	
Public offices	
Other	

5) What about?

	Comments
Greetings	

Occasion wishes/condolences	
(Mental) sums	
On the telephone	
To talk about daily matters	
To tell stories	
To talk about politics	
To joke	
To express anger	
To express joy	
To swear	
To think	
To pray	
Other	

6) Do you use words from Esperanto when you speak other languages?

Very often	Often	50/50	Occasionally	Never
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Examples

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7) Do you use words from other languages when you speak Esperanto? Which languages?

Very often	Often	50/50	Occasionally	Never
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Examples

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8) Do you read and write in Esperanto?

9) What type of text?

	Read	Write
Novels/short stories		
Press (specify)		
School material (specify)		
Brochures		
Other advertising material (specify)		

Other printed material (specify)		
Text messaging		
E-mail		
Facebook		
WhatsApp		
Social media (specify)		
Other		

10) TV and/or radio programmes in Esperanto

	TV programmes & time spent	Radio programmes & time spent
Every day		
Every week		
Every month		
Every year		
Never		

11) Internet

	Type(s) of website	Time spent
Every day		
Every week		
Every month		
Every year		
Never		

Opinions

12) Do you like speaking Esperanto? Why?

13) If you have/had children, what language/s would you speak to them?

14) Do you think that Esperanto should be maintained? Why?

15) What should be done for Esperanto to be maintained, and who should do it?

16) Where and when should Esperanto be used? Why?

17) Do you think that Esperanto should be studied in schools/at university? Why?

g. Sophisticated	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Vulgar
h. Familiar	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Unfamiliar

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Thank you for your patience and attention in answering these questions, please do not hesitate to get in touch via e-mail if you wish to have further information on the questionnaire or on the purpose of this language study.

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I have read the information sheet provided and I am happy to participate. I understand that by filling in and returning this questionnaire, I agree to be part of the research study and that my data is used as described.