



# Why should I learn English?

Reasons for improving your language skills

# Questions about languages

- What's the current world population?
- How many languages are there in the world?
- How many languages are endangered?
- How many universities in the world teach Catalan?
- Which language has
  - the most native speakers?
  - the most speakers in total?

# Some answers

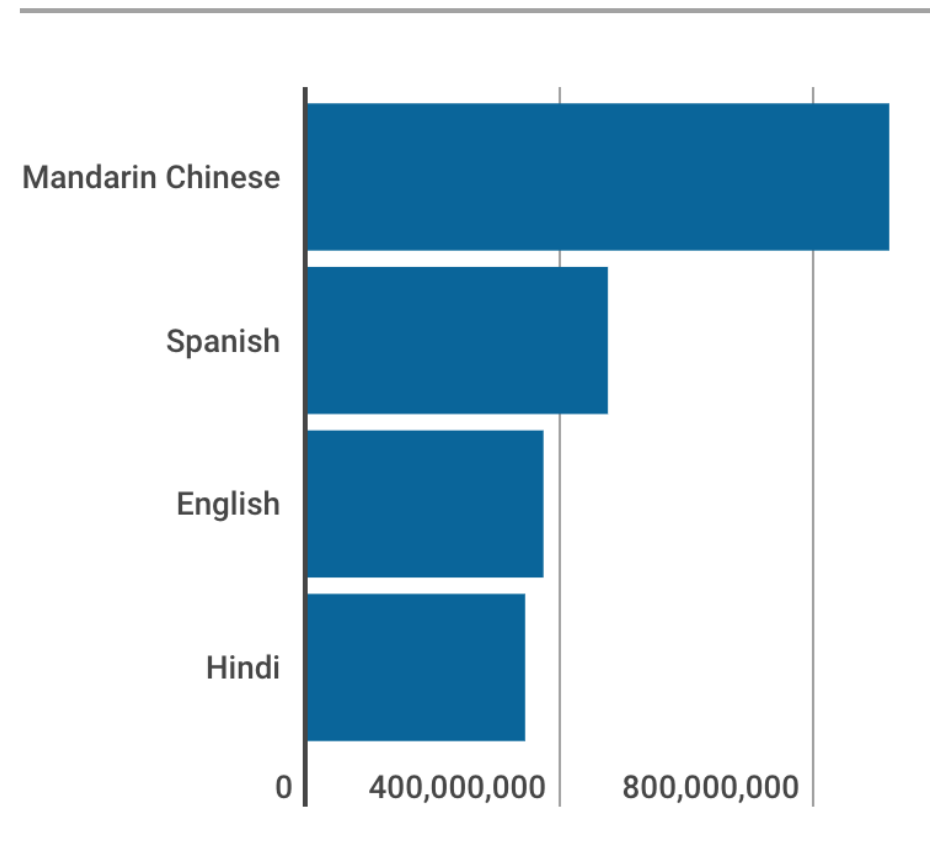
Source: <https://www.ethnologue.com>

- What's the current world population? [Pop. clock](#)
- How many languages are there in the world? 7,139
- How many languages are endangered? Approx. 3,000
- How many universities in the world teach Catalan? > 150

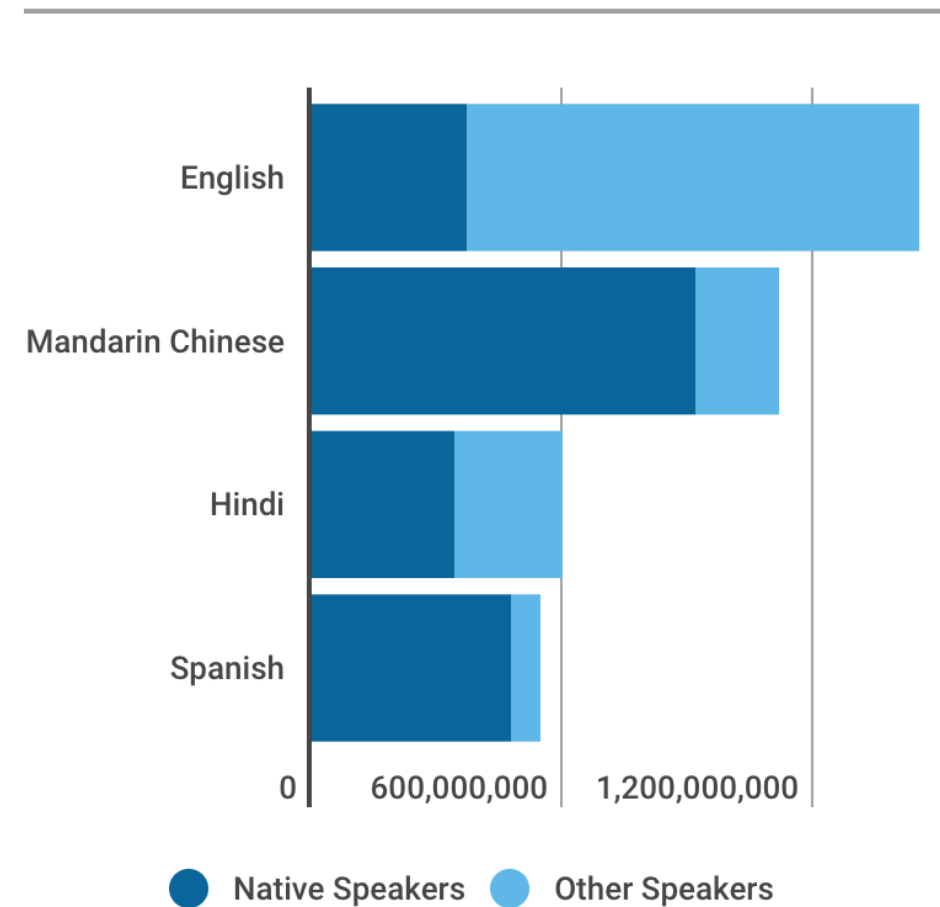
# What is the most spoken language?

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*Languages with the most native speakers, 2022*



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# How might English be useful for me?

## At university



## In my future career/professional life





# How might English be useful for me at university?

- language learning improves cognitive skills, memory, creative thinking, first language skills, etc.
- understand terminology and course materials in English
- socialise with foreign students
- do an Erasmus scholarship



# How might English be useful for me in my future career/professional life?



- getting a job – employers like multilingual candidates
- dealing with children and parents from other countries



- attending international conferences on teaching
- living and working abroad

# But I don't like English!

## Reasons

- **Feel embarrassed**
- **Poor quality of classes at school**
- **Negative experience with a particular person**
- **Unrealistic expectations**

**IT'S NOT YOUR FAULT!**





# Positive attitude!

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## How to improve your English

- **Make mistakes! They are opportunities to learn**
- **Do dynamic, fun things**
- **Ask lots of questions**
- **Translanguage!**
- **Be realistic**



# Most effective ways to accelerate your English

Make a list of specific ideas for:

- reading (if you say 'I don't like reading', you have a problem!)
- listening

