

WHY LEARN FRENCH?



Le français pour l'avenir
French for the Future

Two languages... twice the opportunity!

200 MILLION PEOPLE IN THE WORLD UNDERSTAND, SPEAK, READ OR WRITE FRENCH • FRENCH IS AN OFFICIAL LANGUAGE OF 33 COUNTRIES • FRENCH IS THE MOST WIDELY TAUGHT SECOND LANGUAGE AFTER ENGLISH • FRENCH IS SPOKEN IN OVER 43 COUNTRIES IN THE WORLD • FRENCH IS THE 9TH MOST WIDELY SPOKEN LANGUAGE IN THE WORLD • SPEAKING A NEW LANGUAGE HELPS YOU TO GET TO KNOW AND UNDERSTAND ANOTHER CULTURE • FRENCH IS THE OFFICIAL LANGUAGE OF THE INTERNATIONAL POSTAL SERVICE • FRENCH IS THE OFFICIAL LANGUAGE OF THE INTERNATIONAL RED CROSS • FRENCH RESTAURANT MENUS WILL BE EASIER TO DECODE • FRENCH IS ONE OF THE TWO OFFICIAL LANGUAGES AT THE OLYMPIC GAMES • FRENCH IS ONE OF THE OFFICIAL LANGUAGES OF THE UNITED NATIONS • ROUGHLY HALF THE WORDS IN MODERN ENGLISH ARE BORROWED FROM FRENCH • IN TERMS OF NUMBER OF WORDS, FRENCH IS THE SECOND LARGEST LANGUAGE AFTER ENGLISH • FRENCH IS A MAJOR LANGUAGE OF HIGH TECH AND BUSINESS IN THE WORLD • FRENCH OPENS DOORS TO CAREERS IN TEACHING, BUSINESS, DIPLOMACY, RESEARCH, TRANSLATION, INTERPRETATION, TRAVEL, AND MORE • FRENCH IS SPOKEN IN 2 OF THE G8 COUNTRIES • IF YOU BUMP INTO JOHNNY DEPP OR SIDNEY CROSBY, YOU COULD HAVE A CONVERSATION IN FRENCH • THERE ARE WELL OVER 20 MILLION NATIVE FRENCH-SPEAKING PEOPLE IN THE AMERICAS • FRENCH IS LEXICALLY MORE LIKE ENGLISH THAN IS ANY OTHER ROMANCE LANGUAGE • OVER 100 MILLION STUDENTS IN THE WORLD ARE LEARNING FRENCH • LEARNING ANOTHER LANGUAGE CAN HELP YOU TO UNDERSTAND YOUR OWN • FRENCH IS THE LINGUA FRANCA OF ART, CUISINE, DANCE, AND FASHION • FRENCH IS THE SECOND MOST FREQUENTLY USED LANGUAGE ON THE INTERNET • SPEAKING FRENCH ENHANCES YOUR TRAVEL OPPORTUNITIES • THE NUMBER OF FRENCH-SPEAKERS HAS TRIPLED IN THE LAST 50 YEARS • FRENCH IS THE ONLY LANGUAGE OTHER THAN ENGLISH TAUGHT IN EVERY SINGLE COUNTRY IN THE WORLD • THERE ARE OVER 525 FRENCH-LANGUAGE UNIVERSITIES IN THE WORLD • RECENTLY, QUEBECOIS FILMS HAVE REGULARLY BEEN BEATING HOLLYWOOD PRODUCTIONS AT THE BOX OFFICE • FRENCH GIVES ACCESS TO A HUGE NUMBER OF MOVIES, BOOKS, AND WEBSITES IN THEIR ORIGINAL LANGUAGE • KNOWING ANOTHER LANGUAGE LOOKS IMPRESSIVE ON A RESUME • FRENCH-SPEAKING AFRICA REPRESENTS AN AREA LARGER THAN THE USA • MANY SCHOLARSHIPS ARE OFFERED TO BILINGUAL STUDENTS • FRENCH IS THE LANGUAGE OF LOVE • SALARIES ARE HIGHER FOR BILINGUAL WORKERS THAN UNILINGUAL WORKERS

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