



## THINKING ABOUT LANGUAGES AT GCSE?

Languages are really important in the world we live in and give you great skills for the rest of your life. The internet has brought everyone much closer together so chatting, blogging and networking with people of different languages from all over the world is dead easy. Imagine all the other people you could communicate with and all the amazing places you could travel to or work at and all because you can speak their language.

By taking a language at GCSE you'll have amazing skills and a valuable talent that's applicable to almost everything you do.

### Here are our top 10 reasons why languages are great:

- English is not enough! Not everyone speaks or wants to speak English.
- A language will always be useful, no matter what you do.
- In class, you get to study a wide range of topics all about different people and cultures, not just how to speak.
- You can read books, watch films and listen to songs in their native language - and understand them too!
- Languages mean business - being able to speak a language will make you really stand out.
- They're good for you! Speaking more than one language increases your brain capacity, improves your memory.
- It's really impressive to be able to speak a foreign language. It's a real achievement that your friends will envy and employers will love!
- You can understand and talk to lots more people when you go abroad.
- Using a language at work could raise your salary from 8-20%.
- Learning languages really improves your communication skills