# MODERN FOREIGN LANGUAGES:

French and Spanish at St Robert's...



#### CELEBRITIES WHO SPEAK OTHER LANGUAGES...

Mark Zuckerberg speaks Mandarin and recently used his skills to hold a Q and A with students in Beijing

J.R.R. Tolkien spoke many languages including French, Spanish, German and Welsh. He even created his own languages

Sandra Bullock is fluent in German and recently gave a speech in German after winning an award at a German Awards Ceremony and this was greatly recieved by the audience

Arsene Wenger speaks French, English, German, Spanish, Italian, Japanese









### 1 - LEARNING A LANGUAGE CAN ACTUALLY MAKE YOU SMARTER



### YOU'LL BE SMARTER BECAUSE THE FOLLOWING WILL IMPROVE:

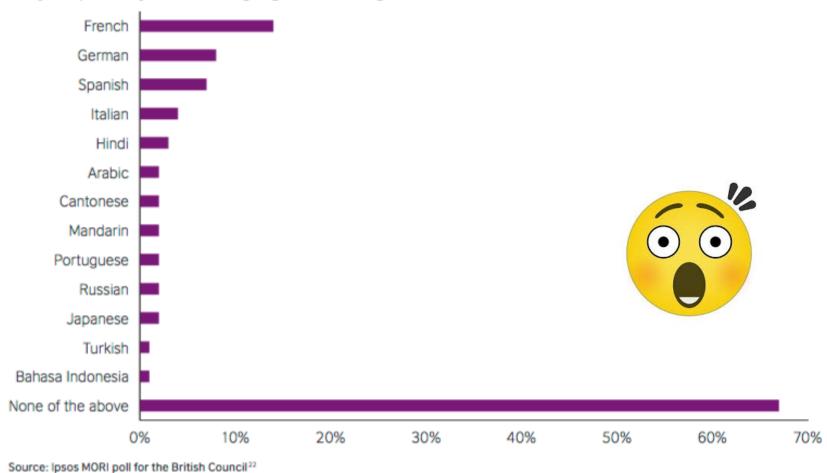
- Your memory
- Your comprehension
- Your focus
- Your ability to multitask
- Your interpersonal skills

## 2 – LEARNING ANOTHER LANGUAGE CAN INCREASE YOUR JOB OPPORTUNITIES



Chart 4: Language skills among 18-34 year olds in the UK

'Do you speak any of these languages well enough to hold a conversation?'



#### Overall ranking

Rank	Language
1	Spanish
2	Mandarin
3	French
4	Arabic
5	German
6	Italian
7	Dutch
8	Portuguese
9	Japanese
10	Russian

Table 2: Demand for languages in top export markets 2017 and 2013

2017		2013
German	_	German
French	•	Dutch
Dutch	•	French
Italian	•	Mandarin
Mandarin	•	Spanish
Arabic	•	Italian
Spanish	•	Swedish
Japanese	•	Russian
Swedish	•	Arabic
Cantonese	•	Japanese

Chart 9: Percentage of companies rating this language as useful to their organisation French German Spanish Mandarin Arabic Polish Dutch Japanese

30

40

50

60

Source: CBI/Pearson Education and Skills survey 2017

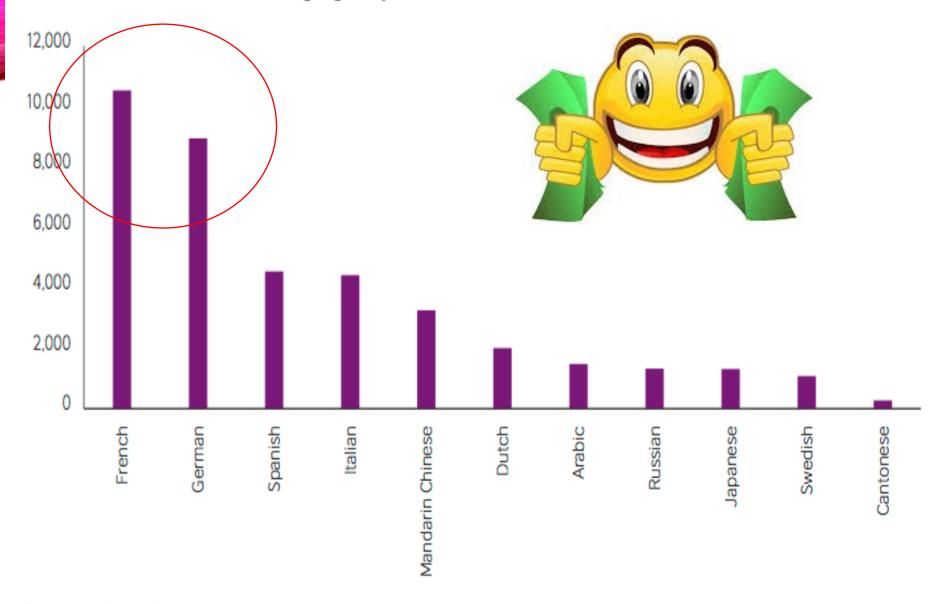
10

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Cantonese

Russian

Chart 10: Job vacancies with a language requirement



Source: www.adzuna.co.uk

Table 11: Languages needed for cultural, educational, diplomatic and security purposes

Languages	2017 scores from indicators 5–8	2013 positions
French	32	Spanish
Spanish	30.5	Arabic
German	24	Portuguese
Italian	22.5	French
Mandarin –	21	Mandarin
Dutch	13	Italian
Arabic	13.5	German
Portuguese	12.5	Turkish
Russian	9.5	Polish
Japanese	8	Farsi

Table 4: Languages needed for economic purposes

Languages			2017 scores from indicators 1–4	2013 positions
French		22	German	
German		•	21	French
Mandarin	Over 1/3 of businesses want people specifically for their language skills	•	20	Spanish
Arabic		-	19	Arabic
Spanish		•	16	Mandarin
Dutch	Multilingual employees can expect a 20% increase in salary in	-	13.5	Dutch
Polish		•	10	Portuguese
Italian	Italian certain jobs		8	Russian
Japanese		•	7	Swedish
Hindi or other Indian languages		6	Polish	



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LANGUAGES SPOKEN AMONGST OUR CAST MEMBERS

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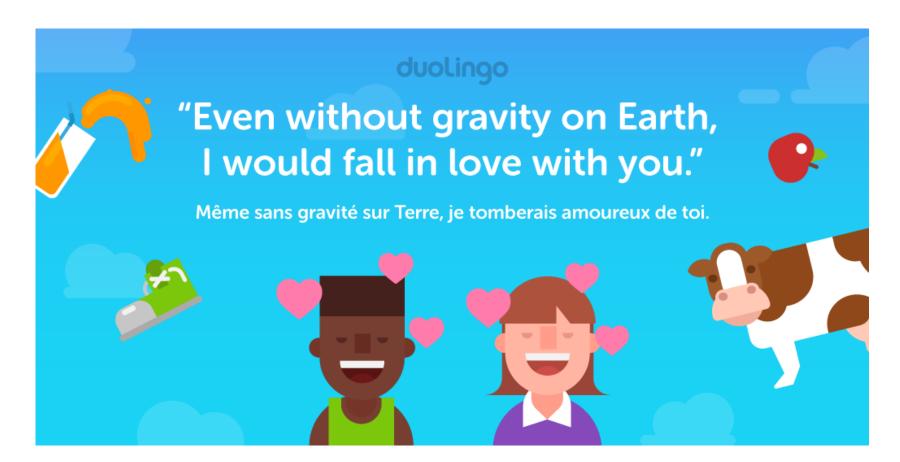
**81**%

OF OUR MANAGERS ARE RECRUITED INTERNALLY

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### 3- LEARNING A LANGUGAE WILL INCREASE YOUR DATING POOL!





According to Eurostat, more than 8% of marriages in Europe include a foreign-born spouse

About **30%** of European immigrants say they moved to a new country because of love.

In fact, a recent study has shown that couples who speak different languages are on average 28 percent happier in their relationships than those who speak the same language. BUT.... couldn't I just use translators?







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- 24 Batata frita / Potato chips
- 25 Frango à passarinho / Roast-and-sliced chi

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If you talk to a man in a language he understands, that goes to his head. If you talk to him in his own language, that goes to his heart.

Nelson Mandela

#### 4 – LEARNING ANOTHER LANGUAGE BECAUSE ENGLISH IS NOT ENOUGH!





#### ENGLISH IS NOT ENOUGH...

- O Not everyone speaks English!
- At some point during your life you will need to use some another language to communicate
- Now we are out of the EU, language skills are essential to help create an outward looking, global Britain.

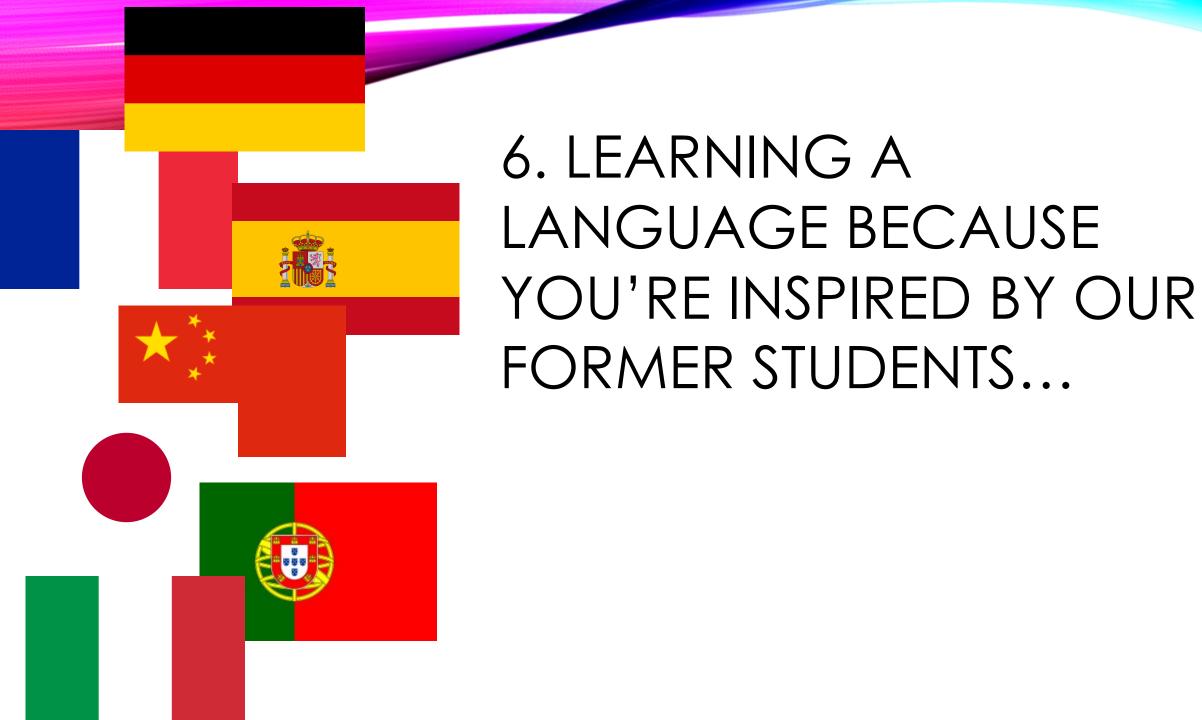
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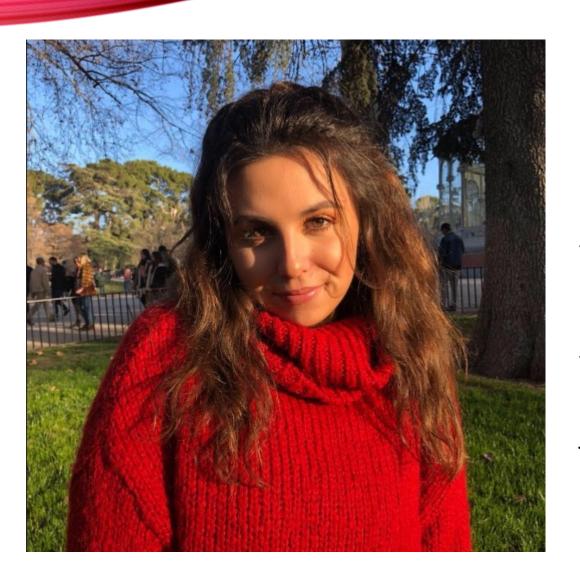


### 5. LEARNING A LANGUAGE TO TRAVEL AND WORK ABROAD...

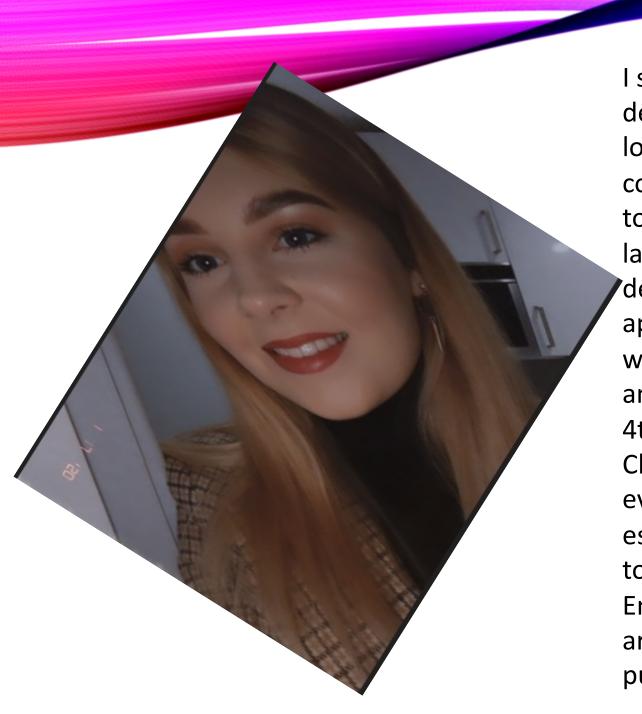
- Studying another language will open many doors
- Travel opportunities
- Opportunity of working or studying abroad



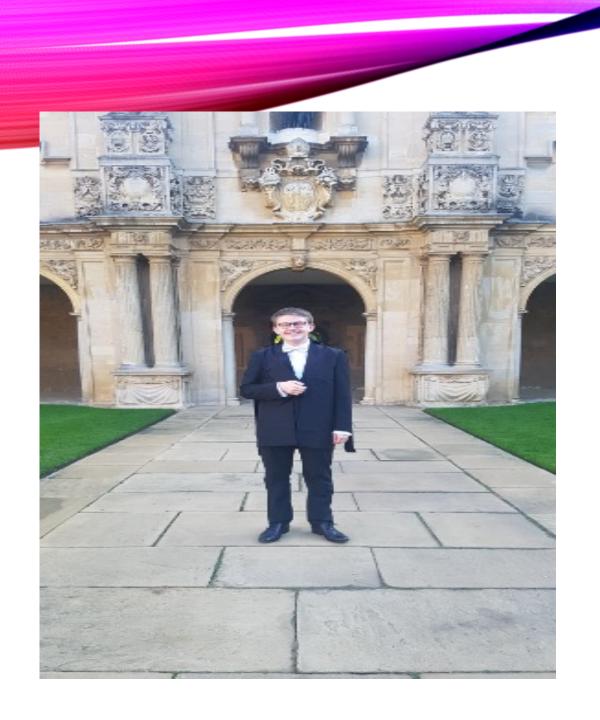




I studied languages at St. Robert's from 2009 until 2016 when I went on to study Spanish, Portuguese and Latin American Studies at Newcastle University. I have such a strong love of languages that had been nurtured by the languages department at St. Roberts and they supported me through my journey from start to finish. Even now, four years later, they still support me even though I'm not their student anymore! Studying languages has allowed me to travel the world and live in amazing cities such as Rio de Janeiro and Madrid and it's given me more job prospects than I ever thought possible. I'd highly recommend studying a language at St Robert's and into Higher Education too!



I studied both French and Spanish at GCSE level and decided to continue them both through to A-level. I loved studying languages at St. Roberts as the course encompassed a variety of topics; I was able to watch films, read books and poems in another language and learn about culture. The MFL department at St Roberts is so friendly, approachable and I wouldn't be where I am today without them. I went on to study Chinese, French and Spanish at Newcastle University. I'm now in my 4th year after recently completing a year abroad in China which was one of the best experiences I've ever had. Studying languages has helped me to establish cross-cultural friendships and allowed me to discover culture in ways people who only speak English cannot. The benefits of studying languages are endless, I would encourage anyone wanting to pursue languages to study at St. Roberts!



Having studied A-Level French at St Robert's from 2017 to 2019, I have gone on to study at the University of Oxford, where the language skills are proving invaluable in reading foreign language sources and incorporating these into my studies. I have fond memories of my GCSE and A-Level language lessons at St Robert's. Learning to communicate effectively in a foreign language is an exciting and enjoyable skill to learn and to experiment with. Whilst studious preparation and firm commitment throughout my course were essential to success in the subject, a language is therefore a hugely rewarding option to make you a desirable, well-rounded University applicant. This is my matriculation photo from St John's College, Oxford in October 2019.

# WHAT HAS LEARNING A LANGUAGE DONE FOR OUR PAST STUDENTS? WE ASKED THEM!

- Got us out of awkward situations
- Gave us a common language with more people
- Helped us with living, travelling and studying abroad
- Made us more confident in public speaking and speaking to new people
- Allowed us access to films and books in other languages
- Helped us to understand my own language and culture

