

Why study Modern Foreign Languages?

Why study German?

With 120 million native speakers, German is Europe's most widely spoken mother tongue. Add to that the fact that it is the second most spoken second language in Europe (behind English) and it means that by learning German you will never face tricky language situations on trips to Europe again! Studying German will give you the opportunity to explore Germany's rich heritage; whether it be history, literature or architecture you are interested in, Germany has it all.

On the internet, 8 million internet sites using '.de' as their domain, German is second only to '.com' in terms of the number of internet pages. By choosing German GCSE you will have even more access to information on the web.

With uptake rates on a 10-year low, there will be a massive shortage of German speakers in the UK. Taking German at GCSE will help you when applying to universities and future job applications.

Why study French?

With miles of glorious coastline, picturesque villages, two mountain ranges for winter sports or hiking and Mediterranean sun, it is not surprising that France is the most visited holiday destination in the world. The UK's business links with the country continue to grow as does the demand for French speakers in employment. French is still the most requested language by many employers in the UK.

In the competitive world of employment, knowledge of French will set you apart from other candidates and enhance your career prospects, so learn more of the delights of this beautiful language.

Why study Spanish?

Spanish is spoken in twenty-two other countries besides Spain. The attraction of Spanish may be partly due to its straightforward phonetic pronunciation and basic grammar. However, it is the fascinating culture and traditions surrounding the language that brings it alive and leads to so many wanting to discover the delights of everything Hispanic. Knowing Spanish will considerably enhance your travelling experiences. If you are passionate about travelling and want to discover the Hispanic zest and passion for life unrivalled by other cultures, then obtaining a solid grasp of Spanish will allow you to experience fully the cultures of Spanish-speaking countries such as Mexico, Colombia, Peru, Chile and Cuba.