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**Unit 5** Listening & Speaking  
**Languages around the world**



# Look and Discuss

A UN General Assembly meeting

French, Spanish, Chinese, Arabic, Russian, English

What does it show?



where?

What languages do you think are officially used there?



*One language sets you in a **corridor** for life. Two languages open every **door** along the way.*

*---Frank Smith*

Opportunities and paths

The importance  
of knowing more  
languages?

*Language is the blood of the soul into which thoughts run and out of which they grow.— Oliver Wendell Holmes*

*If you talk 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*





Explore



Languages

around the World

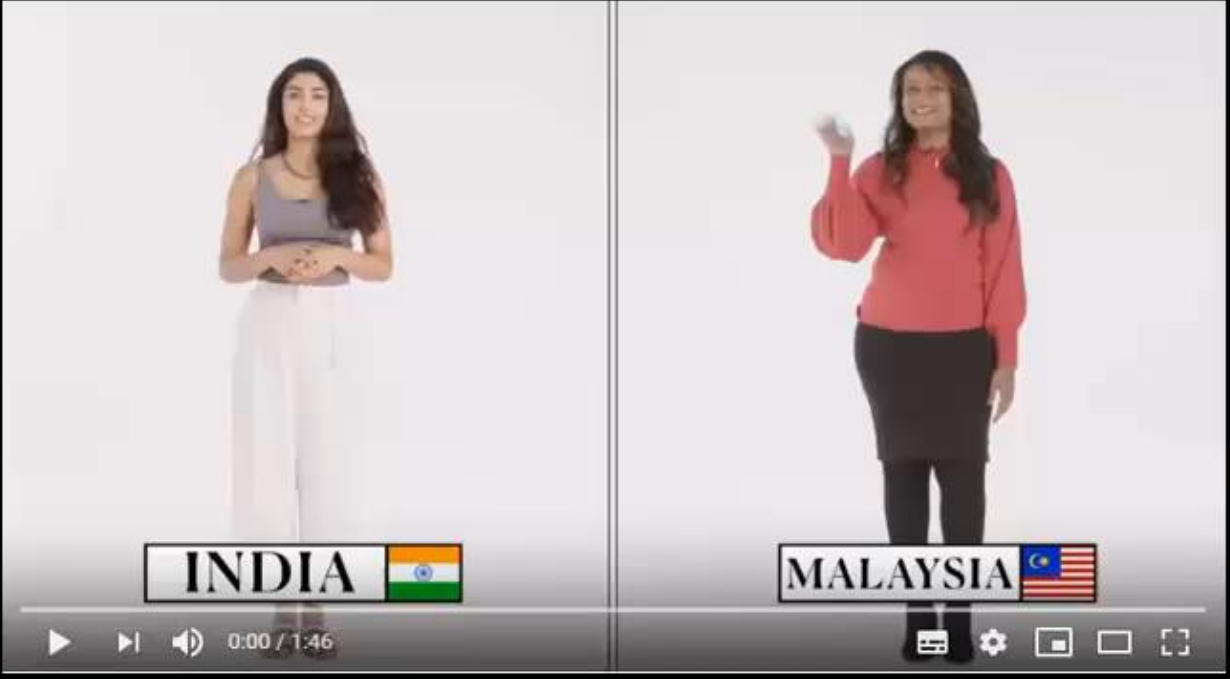


How do you greet others?

What do you say?

How do people in another country greet each other?







Match each photo with the correct country name.

Which languages are spoken in these countries?

Speech bubble: Hello!

**English, French**



CN tower  
Canada

1

Speech bubble: Hallo!

**German**



Brandenburg Gate  
Germany

2

Speech bubble: Bonjour!

**French**

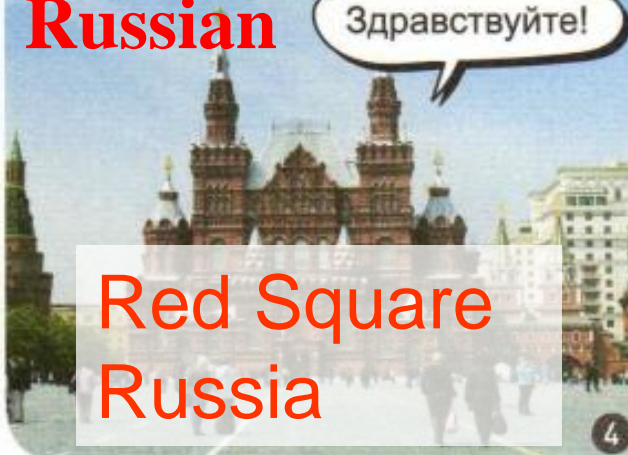


Louvre Museum  
France

3

Speech bubble: Здравствуйте!

**Russian**



Red Square  
Russia

4

Speech bubble: नमस्ते!

**Hindi, English**



Taj Mahal  
India

5

Speech bubble: Hola!

**Spanish**



Royal Palace  
Spain

6

France 3   Russia 4   Germany 2   Spain 6   Canada 1   India 5



Listen to a speech, circle the official languages of the UN and tick the two languages with the most native speakers.

- Russian  Chinese  Korean  Japanese
- Spanish  Arabic  English  French



## Listen for Gist

1. What is the main topic of this speech?

**Learning a foreign language.**

2. How many languages are there in the world?

**Nearly 7,000.**

3. How many billion people speak the UN's official languages as their native or second language?

**Around 2.8 billion.**

**Many People are learning foreign language**





Listen for details.

Reference : Pay attention to what Pronouns refer to.



Who	Why they learn a foreign language
-	<b><i>They</i> think <i>it</i> means better job chances in the future.</b>
One American girl	
Another young lady started learning French	

What is the attitude of the speaker towards foreign language learning? \

**A. Objective**

**B. Skeptical**



**Supportive**

**D. Unconcerned**

**Wise and Useful**





**Listen for Characteristics of a speech**  
**Let's focus on the listening text**



## Exploring languages around the world

\_\_\_\_\_ the only foreign  
\_\_\_\_\_, nearly 7,000 languages in the world.  
language with the most native language speakers  
Learning English is very useful, \_\_\_\_\_ learn

  
To attract  
readers'  
attention

## Characteristics of a speech

There are  
choose to study  
means better  
Chinese, English  
billion people



# A Speech

To show the  
opinions with  
facts

Some students, \_\_\_\_\_, choose to study a language  
friends. One American girl \_\_\_\_\_ for grandmothers were  
from Denmark. When \_\_\_\_\_ letters to her in Danish  
from their relatives in \_\_\_\_\_ learning French because  
she had several friends from \_\_\_\_\_ French is spoken.

To inspire listeners'  
empathy and ideas

What do you think? Which other language would you  
choose to study and why?

**Work in pairs or groups. Discuss with you partners:**

**What do you think? Which other language would you choose to study and why?**





# What roles do Languages play in our life?



“Let it Go” in different language versions





*Know more languages;  
Know more about the world!*