BENEFITS OF LANGUAGE LEARNING

Test Scores

Bilingual students do better on standardized tests in math, reading, and vocabulary.1

Life Skills

Bilingual children develop superior attention, mental flexibility,2 and memory.3

Cognition

Bilingual students outperform monolingual students in forming scientific hypotheses.4

Longevity

4-5 years in bilingual adults.8

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College Success

High school students who study languages do better academically in college.5

Higher Earnings

The additional lifetime earnings of a bilingual worker can be as much as \$128,000.6

Brain Growth

Learning a language at any age makes your brain grow.¹¹

Employability

88% of job recruiters say speaking more than one language is critical to business success.7

Healthier Brain

Bilingual adults who get Alzheimer's disease suffer less brain damage.9

Better Recovery

Bilingual adults are twice as likely to retain full brain function after a stroke.10

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