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# Fascinating

## LANGUAGE FACTS YOU DIDN'T KNOW

### THERE IS A LANGUAGE SPOKEN BY 8 PEOPLE

# 30%

ABOUT 30% OF ENGLISH WORDS COME FROM FRENCH.

THERE ARE OVER

# 7,000

LANGUAGES WORLDWIDE.

ONLY 23 LANGUAGES ACCOUNT FOR MORE THAN HALF OF THE WORLD'S POPULATION.

AT LEAST HALF OF THE WORLD'S POPULATION IS BILINGUAL!



Many linguists believe that languages originated around 100,000 bc.



People who speak Chinese use both sides of the brain; English only uses the left side.

# 300

OVER 300 LANGUAGES ARE SPOKEN IN LONDON ALONE.

THERE ARE OVER 231 COMPLETELY EXTINCT LANGUAGES

SPANISH IS THE 2ND MOST SPOKEN LANGUAGE IN THE WORLD.



# OVER 20,000

NEW FRENCH WORDS ARE CREATED EACH YEAR.

OTHER THAN ENGLISH, FRENCH IS THE ONLY LANGUAGE THAT IS TAUGHT IN EVERY COUNTRY.

LEARNING A 2ND LANGUAGE CAN IMPROVE YOUR MEMORY AND SLOW THE PROCESS OF AGING,

The average person only uses a few hundred words in daily conversation,

German words can have three genders,  
Masculine  
Feminine  
Neuter



ENGLISH IS SPOKEN BY AN ESTIMATED

# 1.8 BILLION



THE FIRST LANGUAGE SPOKEN IN OUTER SPACE WAS RUSSIAN.

BASQUE IS THE ONLY LANGUAGE IN THE WORLD THAT HAS NO CORRELATION TO ANY OTHER LANGUAGE.



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