



Did you know?

A person who can write or speak multiple languages is called a polyglot, meaning “many tongues.”

Where did the world’s languages come from? Genesis 11 says that after the Flood, people disobeyed God’s command to spread across the earth. They started to build a city and a large structure called the Tower of Babel. So, He confused their language and scattered them to different places. This led to all the “peoples, nations, and languages” (Daniel 7:14) that we find today! Did you also know...

- ✓ It’s estimated that roughly 7,000 languages are spoken around the world.
- ✓ English is the most common spoken language, but Mandarin Chinese has the largest number of native speakers.
- ✓ The oldest manuscripts of the Bible were written in three languages: Hebrew, Aramaic, and Koine Greek.

Use the code below to learn the word for “hello” in each language.

1=h 2=i 3=u 4=b 5=r
6=l 7=a 8=o 9=j 10=c
11=n 12=ä 13=ï 14=e

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| 1. Spanish: _____
(1, 8, 6, 7) | 4. Italian: _____
(10, 2, 7, 8) |
| 2. French: _____
(4, 8, 11, 9, 8, 3, 5) | 5. Chinese: _____
(11, 13) (1, 12, 8) |
| 3. German: _____
(1, 7, 6, 6, 8) | 6. Portuguese: _____
(8, 2) |
| | 7. Danish: _____
(1, 14, 9) |

Many experts think the Tower of Babel was a ziggurat (ZIH-guh-rat), a type of stepped pyramid. Remains of ancient ziggurats can be found around the world today.





E I H J P G A Q N J G P S E B
 L L S P P D G Y E A O R W U I
 M I I V V L I S G R S I E Y T
 D H L V C V E G T O Z Y E A A
 V A G F W N W U I J I I T W L
 E W N R I Q G I R I S H G I I
 F S E H E U E S E N A P A J A
 Z R C V E E V I Z N I K L F N
 J H E S N H K D S P A N I S H
 B V E N L L C U N N D Y V F C
 N C W L C Y J T A L D Z I F M
 L H K Q T H O E U Z H B B N Z
 K Y G H G F R M Y D T U Z S A
 W Q U D Z O F S D C X V G S A
 Q D Y B K I I D M V Z X Z Q L

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| Chinese | Greek | Korean |
| Dutch | Irish | Portuguese |
| English | Italian | Spanish |
| French | Japanese | Swahili |



Fill in the blanks without reading the sentences, and then enjoy your fun, new story.

One day, I'll travel the world. The first place on my list is _____.
 [place]

It has _____ and the best
 [adjective] [plural noun]

_____ on the planet. The people there speak _____
 [food] [language 1]

and _____, but I only speak _____.
 [language 2] [language 3]

Guess it's time to start _____ my languages!
 [verb that ends in -ing]

"Sing to the LORD, all the earth; proclaim the good news of His salvation from day to day. Declare His glory among the nations, His wonders among all peoples." (1 Chronicles 16:23-24).