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The Wolverine Word

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Language

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Language is an amazing thing. Communication is one of the best things that society has created (aside from paper, honestly. Whoever invented paper is a literal legend). So, as language has grown, evolved and changed, everybody learned how to communicate in different ways. So, should you learn a new language?

Personally, I think YES! For one, language learning can help you communicate with other people when you otherwise couldn't. Hypothetically, what if you couldn't talk to your friends because NONE OF YOU SPOKE THE SAME LANGUAGE. Wouldn't that just be unfortunate? Also, if you have nothing to do, learning how to speak or write a language to fill up time could be worthwhile. Plus, what language teacher can complain? You're learning a language! Maybe not the language they want, though...

If I've convinced you so far, congrats! The worst part is over, you've taken the first step, yadda yadda yadda. So, now for the second hardest task: what language do you want to learn? According to Babbel.com, the top 9 easiest languages to learn for English speakers are: Norwegian, Swedish, Spanish, Dutch, Portuguese, Indonesian, Italian, French and Swahili. That's quite a few choices already! However, if you want a challenge, Japanese, Mandarin and Korean (based on experience) aren't the easiest to learn.

Alright, final step: what do you use to learn your chosen language? Of course, Duolingo is the basics. While it's very easy to learn European languages (because we already pretty much know the alphabet), Asian languages are generally much harder, as you might need to learn an entire other alphabet as well as everything else. So, look for resources! Research websites that can help you learn your target language. Find songs, articles and everything else! But most importantly... HAVE FUN!

Monarch Summary and Cartoon

Andrea Portmann

Have you ever felt like you didn't fit in inside of a world of upgraded beings? Did your ability start to malfunction? There are few beings on Alipar that can say truthfully that they know exactly how you feel. In a world of E.U.Ps, it can be challenging trying to pretend to be normal. Trying to change your identity to keep the press from finding out that you're not actually dead can be a form of torture.

When the hallucinations start to kick in, you better stick close to someone you trust, if you could possibly trust anyone while the planet's most trusted doctor schemes your own.

Get used to constantly glancing over your shoulders, keeping the people you trust to the bare minimum, and whatever you do, don't tell anyone about your implant's glitch, loss, or

“...pretend to be
normal”



even transplant.

“I know that you have no reason to trust me, and that I don’t blame you for that, but if we are going to save this planet, we’re going to need all of the help that we can ge.”

Happenings in the World

Koyo Ito

Chadwick Boseman’s Death

On August 28, 2020, famous actor Chadwick Boseman passed away at 43 years old. Boseman was diagnosed with stage III colon cancer in 2016, and has been battling it for the last 4 years. Despite being very weak and ill, Boseman continued to play characters in popular movies like Black Panther from the MCU with “...charisma and joy.” Says CCO & president of Marvel Studios Kevin Heige on social media. Chadwick Boseman has been a superhero for people of all ages who mourn his death. He is someone the world will forever remember as he rests in power.

California Wildfires

So far in 2020, California has already reached historic levels of damage to the land, people, and creatures. As of August 31, over 1.66 million acres of California have burned. The wildfires all across the state have already caused the death of over 7 people, almost 3,000 buildings burned to the ground, and millions of creatures being affected. Due to California’s dry summers, along with climate change, these fires have grown so large so quickly. With hundreds of thousands of people being evacuated and as firefighters struggle to contain the fire, these past months have not been looking great for California.

Hurricane Laura

On the coastlines of Louisiana, Hurricane Laura has battered power, buildings, and more. With almost 400,000 people without electricity, and many many being ordered to evacuate. But despite the damage it has caused, Hurricane Laura which started off as a Category 4 storm is now downgrading. The storm has dropped to a Category 2 storm with 110 mph winds as of now. Many suspect by the time it reaches Arkansas, “Hurricane” Laura will simply be weakened to a tropical storm. We can only hope that Hurricane Laura completely diminishes before more damage is done to other areas of the Southeast.



Do Masks Work?

Facts found in this article come from HEALTHLINE Medical

The CDC continues to advise wearing face masks to prevent the spread of COVID-19. Masks work by creating a physical barrier to the spread of virus-containing respiratory droplets. Growing evidence supports their effectiveness.

While many Americans have objected to wearing masks, experts say their concerns are unfounded. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) continues to strongly advise the wearing of face masks to prevent the transmission of SARS-CoV-2, the virus that causes COVID-19. On July 14, 2020 the CDC Director Dr. Robert Redfield said in a press release: “Cloth face coverings are one of the most powerful weapons we have to slow and stop the spread of the virus — particularly when used universally within a community setting.” While these recommendations have been met with some skepticism among the public, scientific evidence continues to show that masks do work. As to the reasons why, the experts say the science is quite simple. Why face masks work: Transmission of the coronavirus is thought to occur through respiratory droplets that are released when people speak, sneeze, or talk, according to Dr. MeiLan Han, a professor of medicine in the division of pulmonary and critical care at the University of Michigan. If these droplets land in the mouth or nose of people nearby, or are inhaled into the lungs, a person can contract the virus. Masks create a physical barrier that catches these droplets and prevents them from spreading as far into the surrounding air as they normally would. Han said the masks become even more important because a significant proportion of people who get COVID-19 either don’t exhibit symptoms or there’s a delay before symptoms show up. Studies show, however, that these people can still transmit the virus to people around them. The data suggest that the use of face coverings can help limit the spread of the disease by these asymptomatic and presymptomatic individuals, said Han.

Surveys and Questions...

Harlee Duenas and Brakehl Brown

Timber Giles:

Least favorite class-Science

Favorite color- Yellow

Why do you like 7th grade?-I don’t know?

Do you like masks?-No. Never.

Do you like school?-No

What activities do you like in school?-Sports

Did you have a good summer?-Yes

Favorite animal-Dog

Favorite candy bar-Reese’s

Favorite flower-Daisy

Have you broken any bones?-Nope

What do you like to do when you are bored?-Hangout with friends

Hunter Robins:

Favorite class-PE

Favorite color-Blue

Why do you like 7th grade?-I feel older and a lot more mature!

Do you like masks?-No

What is your favorite sport?-Baseball

Do you like going to school?-No, I’m told to.

What activities do you like in school?-ALL activities in school!

Did you have a good summer?- Yes. A very good summer.

Did you like doing school at home?- NO!