

Language activities for **Intermediate** learners



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New and emerging communities in WA

Western Australia's newest and emerging communities have relatively small populations and are often made up of people who came to WA through Australia's humanitarian program.

Often these community members don't have family networks or community structures in WA and need help facing many challenges.



Research & Explore

Choose one of the emerging communities in WA from **page 6**. Can you find out nine facts about the country and culture?

Capital city	A tourist attraction	Food commonly eaten
A geography fact	Most common language spoken	A science fact
A word in a language spoken in the country (plus its meaning)	How many people live there (population)	Currency used

Did You Know?

In many countries, more than one language is commonly spoken. Can you think of any countries like that?

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Welcome wall

Have you seen the **Welcome Walls** outside the WA Maritime Museum or at the Museum of the Great Southern in Albany?

The Walls pay tribute to migrants who arrived in Western Australia by sea, landing at Fremantle or Albany.

Research & Explore

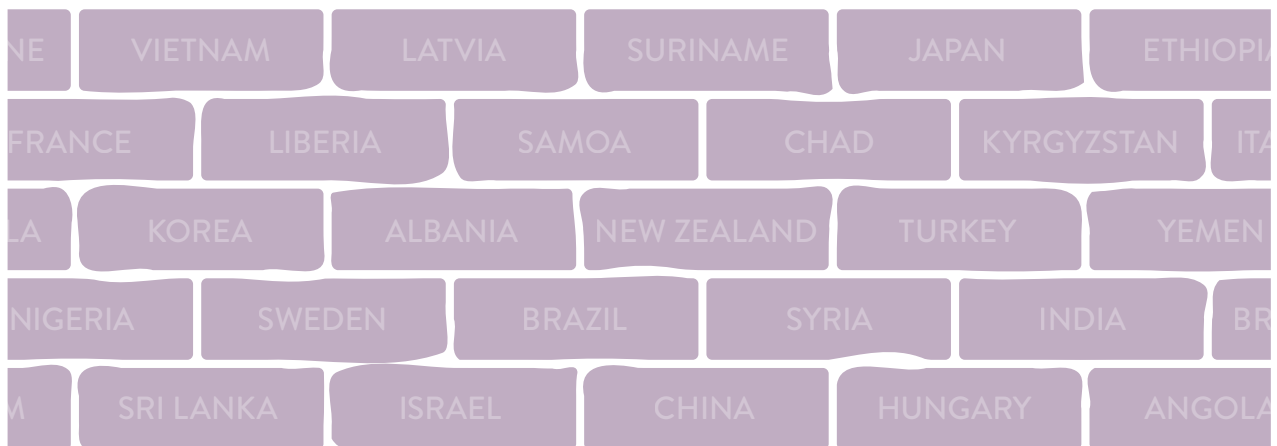
Choose countries that you would like to find out more about.

Each person in your family or class could focus on a different country, with one country making up one 'brick'.

Do some research on your chosen country. Include the colour of its flag, and the language/s spoken there.

Find out the word for 'hello' or 'welcome' in that language.

Make your own 'Welcome Wall'.



Create

Use the information you find out to create drawing or painting which incorporates a greeting from your chosen language, using colours of the flag and symbols or images which relate to the country.

Put all your pictures side by side to form a 'Welcome Wall'.

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Almost French



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Did you know that the first European country to lay claim to Western Australia was France, not Great Britain?

Learn more about the voyage of **De Saint Aloüarn**.



Create

Write a creative story about how our life in Western Australia may have been different if we were invaded or colonised by the French. Make sure you use some French words or phrases in your story!

Use this template to plan, then write your story.

Title

Ideas to get started

<p>CHARACTERS Who is important (main character) and who else is in your story? How do they talk?</p>	<p>ORIENTATION How will you start your story and make your reader keep reading?</p>
<p>LANGUAGE French words or phrases you could include</p>	<p>EVENT OR SERIES OF EVENTS What complication or problem will you introduce?</p>
<p>SETTING Write some words which will help you set the mood. What can you see, hear, smell, taste, touch?</p>	<p>RESOLUTION How will things work out? Will you tie up all loose ends?</p>

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Top 10 words dictionary



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Make a 'very important words' dictionary.

There are thousands and thousands of words in English.

If someone came to Australia who didn't speak ANY English, what 10 words would you suggest they learn first?

Rank your words from most important (1) to least important (10) using the table below.

Write a definition for each word, to explain to someone from another country what it means.

Choose another language and translate your words into that language.

Do you know how to say each word?

	WORD	DEFINITION	TRANSLATION
1			
2			
3			
4			
5			
6			
7			
8			
9			
10			

Did any of your 'top 10 important words' pop up on other people's lists?

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What do you think?



Discuss

Choose one of the statements below about language.
Discuss it with your family or classmates.

1. A second language is the most important thing you can learn
2. There are too many languages in the world
3. All people coming to Australia should have to complete formal English classes
4. Reading is the best way to learn English
5. Everyone should learn to speak a second language
6. English is the most important language in the world

Can you think of points for and against your chosen statement?
Record them in the table below:

My topic is

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It all equals the same



**Have
a go**

Can you count to 10 in different languages?

- Use the table below to learn how to count in different languages.
- Can you find out how to count to 10 in Mandarin, Italian, Japanese and German?
- Do you know how to count to 10 in another language that's not listed?

Complete the missing words in the table below:

ENGLISH	FRENCH	INDONESIAN	MANDARIN	ITALIAN	JAPANESE	GERMAN	ANOTHER LANGUAGE?
one	un	satu					
two	deux	dua					
three	trois	tiga					
four	quatre	empat					
five	cinq	lima					
six	six	enam					
seven	sept	tujuh					
eight	huit	delapan					
nine	neuf	sembilan					
ten	dix	sepuluh					
eleven	onze	sebelas					
twelve	douze	dua belas					

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Traditional dress

Different clothes are worn around the world for lots of reasons. These include climate, availability of resources, and to show respect for tradition and religion.

Research & Explore

View some examples of **traditional dress from around the world**.

Discuss

Is there a traditional costume worn by people in your culture? Do you, your parents or grandparents have the costumes, or pictures of themselves wearing them?

Create

Use pictures to create a collage, or organise a traditional costume parade at your school!



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It looks like 'welcome'



Discuss Talk about the word 'welcome'.

When do you use it?

When do you feel welcome in a place?

What are people doing or saying?

What does it feel like to be made welcome?



Have a go Put your best drama hat on and act out a situation where you make a person who recently arrived in Australia feel welcome.

Drama tips:

- Create a character. Would it help to work in a pair?
- How can you communicate?
- Write lines you might say
- Confidence helps to get your message across
- Would props help?
- Don't look at the audience! Focus on communicating your message.

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Research & Explore

Can you find these different words for 'welcome' in the word search puzzle?

Find out how to say 'Welcome' in one more language!

LANGUAGE

WELCOME

CIRCLE THE WORDS FOR WELCOME

Polish

Witamy

P	R	F	R	G	B	I	E	N	V	E	N	I	D	O
P	N	U	M	A	N	A	A	K	I	T	I	A	A	G

Zulu

Wamukelekile

W	A	M	U	K	E	L	E	K	I	L	E	U	K	D
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Danish

Velkommen

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

Spanish

Bienvenido

Q	K	R	D	W	L	R	S	A	G	U	M	H	I	U
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Haitian Creole

Akeyi

V	P	M	Q	D	J	E	I	I	V	Q	T	Q	T	A
J	W	F	I	B	L	W	C	E	E	E	Q	W	C	K

Maori

Manaakitia

C	I	S	E	L	A	M	A	T	L	K	F	N	T	D
T	T	U	Y	O	F	S	L	A	K	A	U	D	N	R

Malay, Indonesian

Selamat Datang

R	A	I	A	M	I	F	C	Q	O	S	M	L	X	N
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Slovak

Vitajte

J	M	N	Z	V	O	Q	B	H	M	M	E	O	A	U
P	Y	W	A	N	J	U	Y	U	M	M	J	H	T	E

Samoaan

Afio Mai

R	Z	I	V	I	M	S	G	H	E	V	R	T	A	M
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Nyoongar

Wanju

J	F	D	C	W	K	P	S	S	N	P	V	K	D	L
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