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

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

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

Longevity
Onset of Alzheimer's disease is delayed by 4-5 years in bilingual adults.⁸

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

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

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

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

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