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Abstract

English is one of the most powerful languages in all over world. Though it was the native language of Britain, it has become the Universal language nowadays. In different aspects of life like cultural, social, political, ethical parts have a deep influence of English language in it. Apart from this, English has become the key of education, offices, laws, business etc. For authors also, it has a great value as a non-native language. In most of the countries over the world English was not the language of such importance from beginning. But after twentieth century it has its own prestigious value in the world, by which it has conquer its place over other languages.

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Introduction

“Language is the blood of the soul into which thoughts run and out of which they grow”. –

Oliver Wendell Holmes

Language is the most important tool which bridges the gap between people. A language is a kit which depicts the uniqueness of cultures, thoughts in a region, community and country. But to communicate over the world there was a need of common language through which people can communicate.

History behind English Language to be the universal language

Before English was considered to be the universal language, French was the universal one. The first and foremost reason behind it is the wide expanse of British kingdom around the world in twentieth century.



The land area which was under British Empire in 1900

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Since, English was mainly the language of Britain, it started to conquer the whole world, even bigger to some extent than shown in the map. So, it was the most known language of the world in the scenario of twentieth century.

Another factor is the United Kingdom. The status of American global powers and economic strength was rising day by day.

So, in a nutshell it can be stated that the popularity of language ENGLISH was much greater than FRENCH at that time. So, English was admitted to be the Universal language.

Importance of English in technical term

In this modern era English has become the part and parcel for almost in every field. In today's world of globalization English language is the main tool of communication and exchanging information.

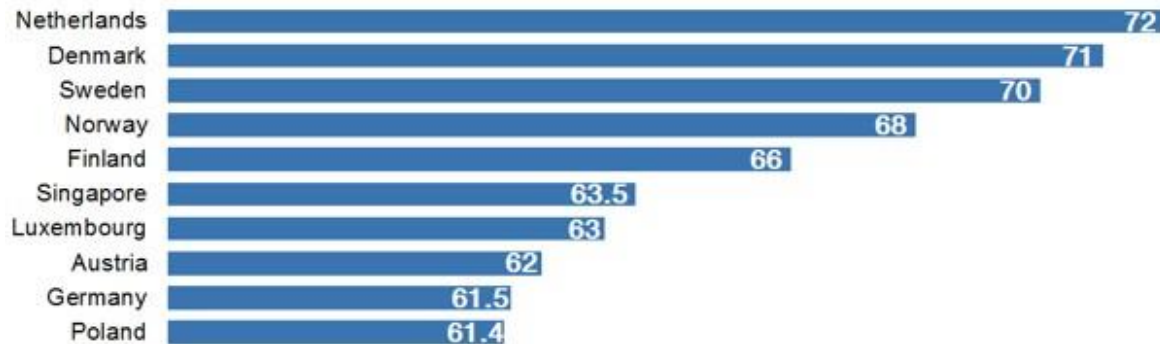
Education

At the time of British ruling, it was mandatory to study law and some other subjects in English Language. So, it was a necessity to learn English Language to pursue higher study in certain field of education. Even after the independence it was not easy for most of the country to eliminate English from entire education system. And as English was announced to be the Universal language, people found it necessary to give their countryman proper English education.

Nowadays, English has become the pillar of communication in almost all the countries. If we talk about India the education system is divided in Hindi, English, and other regional language driven. But, a huge percentage of students go to English medium schools. And in other cases, English is the compulsory language. So, it has a huge importance in the life of every student since their very childhood.

Countries best at English as a second language

The English Proficiency Index 2016



Business

In European Union and Commonwealth of Nations, English is one of the main official languages. And nowadays English is a global language for doing business. In certain industries, such as airspace, shipping industry, English has been selected to be the official Standard language. On another hand English has taken a major role in finance or in stock market. Almost all the bank, may it be government or private has opted for English language to do their job. As we all know online marketing has become a major part of economy today, almost in all the countries, it is all done in English. And the very website which is used for this has been designed in English.

To work with the people of different language, one requires a common language to communicate. In this case English solves the purpose easily. In common World marketing using English language over other regional language helps to spread the advertisement easily. To showcase your innovativative idea or to make people aware of your innovation, you need English. So, English is like a solution to advertise themselves globally.

Internet

English is the language which has been chosen for communication online. Sometimes, some non- native speakers are somehow forced to use English language as there is no option to use their native language. From citizen journalism in war-torn countries to food blogs, the maximum contents are shared in English.

In different popular application like different social pages English is like the key of it. And to avail lectures of some esteemed professor throughout the world, a student must have a good grip on this language.

Apart from this, to read different articles, news, stories, one should know English. And in different online courses, discussion forum students can get fully access if they know the language properly. From email to fill up official forms, English has it's use in everywhere.

Entertainment

From getting a chance to read a large number of books English also helps one to enjoy a numerous number of films, cartoon, videos etc. Nowadays, there are amny applications which provide online E- book service through which a reader can get a topic of his choice in a updated way daily. So it is a easy way to keep own updated with different culture of different countries and to use them when it is needed. A large number of books and films have been modified from it's original English version. So, to have the proper flavour of it one should know the language well. Different music, drama, scientific research papers are being done in English. So, to keep own updated and to have a taste of these inventions, one have to know the language first.

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Travel

English is the language which is spoken by nearly three hundred and fifty million people among the six billion people in the world. Language differs from nation to nation, but in case of travelling people use English mostly to communicate with others. So, it simply bridges the gap between people over the world.

English language in India

English is taught in almost each and every school in India. And there are a good number of students who have English as their first language. In twentieth century about one third of Indian schools had English as their first language. But nowadays, the scenario has been totally changed.

A large amount of students are pursuing their masters and research works in various field of English language. India has produced a good number of English speakers who have own international awards for their knowledge in the subject. A large number of Indian authors have selected English over their native language. It implies the increasing craze for English in India. It is of sure that it has brought them fame in international aspect too.

So, it can be summarized that Indian proficiency in English has brought glory to International commercial market.

Conclusion

Balancing between grammatical mistakes, wrong use of punctuation English is somehow losing its glory. We have to be careful while using this language and cut off the grammatical mistake as far as we can. It can be availed by giving the young generation a proper knowledge of English.

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