

Some experts believe that it is better for children to begin learning a foreign language at primary schools rather than secondary school. Do the advantages of this outweigh the disadvantages?

Nowadays, teaching a second language at the schools is almost mandatory in every countries over the world either at the primary or secondary level. While there is a widely held view among some people that learning a new language should be started at younger ages, others criticize it and are of the opposite opinion. I, personally agree with the first group.

One of the most outstanding benefits of introducing a new language to younger children is acquiring a higher proficiency of it. To illustrate, my cousin was born and grew up in Sweden. She has learnt Persian from her parents, while Swedish and English are spoken in the society and the-on television respectively. Therefore, she was able to speak three different languages at her early ages. Moreover, learning an additional language would enhance the cognitive skills of children. Based upon recent statistics multilingual people are smarter than monolingual ones. By studying a new language, not only will the individual's mind be receptive to learn more, but also their intelligence will increase over time. The More languages spoken by kids, the higher IQ level they will ~~be benefited~~ benefit from.

On the other side, learning a language other than the socially spoken language from early ages may confuse the kid. For instance, some statistics reported that multilingual children at age 4 are not able to communicate with their counterparts in the kindergarten since they cannot realize which language is the native one and they may pronounce the native tongue with a foreign dialect. As a result, it would take a longer time for them to speak fluently.

In conclusion, although learning extra languages at primary school will ~~disadvantage~~ face children ~~with some disadvantages~~, but the benefits outweigh and promote their IQ level.