

Language Awareness in the International Languages Classroom

Here are some simple ideas for surveying, documenting and committing learners to their language learning experiences.

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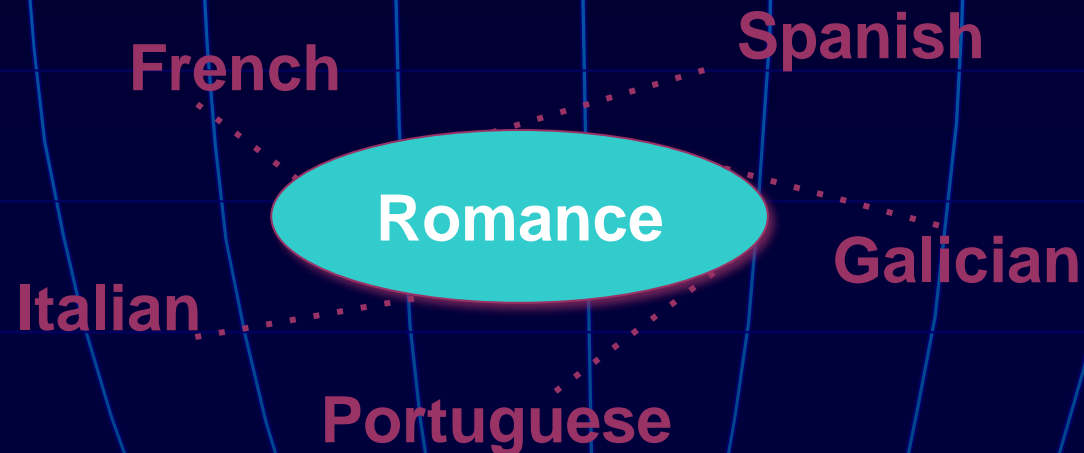
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Language Awareness #1

Read and comment on the following

- Some people just can't learn another language
- Repetition is important
- It is easier to pick up a language from the same linguistic family



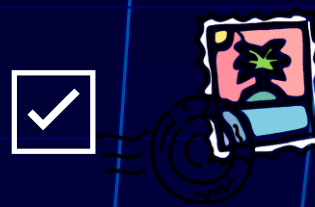
Language Awareness #2 -commitment

Before

My plans for using this language are:



Family & Friends



Travel & Holidays



Work & Research



Entertainment & Interests

Language Awareness #2 (continued)

This month:

I will do 3 of these extra things to practise listening/reading in this language



Film

Internet



Music



Magazine



Language Awareness #3 - documenting

Friends



Language Spoken

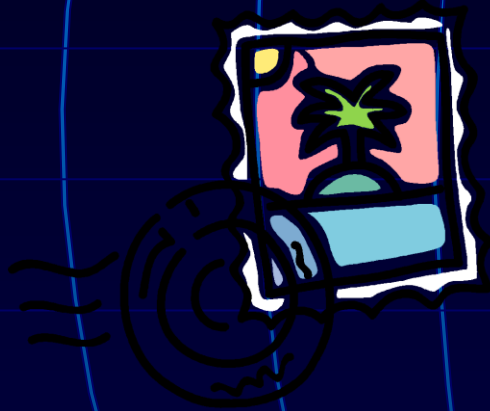
Language Written

Description of Use:

I will send an e-card to one of my pen pals overseas explaining what I did last weekend with my friends here in my city.

Language Awareness #3

Travel



Language Spoken



Language Written

Description of Use:

My group will find some information on key attractions in our chosen city for the assignment and will gather the information for our preparation of a tourist brochure.

Language Awareness #3

Hobbies



Language Spoken

Language Written

Description of Use:

With my study-buddy, we will get the instructions of a popular board or video game that is appropriate to share in class, and we will summarize how it is played in the TL.

Language Awareness #3

Technology



Language Spoken



Language Written

Description of Use:

Will find a link to a recipe, song, popular poem etc. via the Internet to add to my portfolio items on my theme/study unit.