

The World's English Mania

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TED Lectures
Note-taking Activity

Directions: First listen to the lecture and take notes. Then using your notes, you will answer the following questions.

1. From context, what is the definition of “mania”?
2. How many people are currently learning English worldwide?
3. Which country is soon to become the world’s largest English speaking country?
4. Why are people driven to learn English?
5. There is a high-school test in China that students take over 3 days. What percentage of their score is based on English skills?
6. Does the speaker think that English will replace other languages?
7. According to the speaker does the world have other universal languages already?
8. What does the speaker see happening as more and more of the world shares a common language?