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has completed the free course including any mandatory tests for:

English in the world today

This 8-hour free course explained why it is that the English language continues to be such an important social and political instrument worldwide.

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Course summary

How did English become the global force it is today? This free course, English in the world today, explores the status of the language and its worldwide diversity. It looks at how social and political factors influence people's attitudes towards it, and at the relationship between one's linguistic heritage and sense of identity.

Learning outcomes

By completing this course, the learner should be able to:

- understand the diversity of English through history and around the world
- understand the effect of social and cultural factors on an individual's use of English
- understand the relationship between a person's linguistic heritage and their sense of identity
- understand the ways in which different varieties of English in use around the world are categorised.

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Completed study

The learner has completed the following:

Section 1

The beginnings of English (Part 1)

Section 2

The beginnings of English (Part 2)

Section 3

The beginnings of English (Part 3)

Section 4

What is English? (Part 1)

Section 5

What is English? (Part 2)

Section 6

What is English? (Part 3)

Section 7

What is English? (Part 4)

Section 8

English through history (Part 1)

Section 9

English through history (Part 2)

Section 10

English through history (Part 3)

Section 11

English through history (Part 4)

Section 12

Timeline of the history of English

Section 13

Who speaks English? (Part 1)

Section 14

Who speaks English? (Part 2)

Section 15

Who speaks English? (Part 3)

Section 16

Who speaks English? (Part 4)

Section 17

Conclusion