

WHY LEARNING FOREIGN LANGUAGES IS CRUCIAL FOR UZBEKISTAN

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Annotation: In the context of the growing threats of a negative impact on the worldview of youth in the XXI century, the relevance of learning foreign languages is gaining special importance. Moreover, implies the establishment and intensification of bilateral cooperation in the field of education of higher educational institutions and representatives of public international organizations in order to increase the intellectual development of the younger generation. It should be noted that after Uzbekistan gained independence, the need to study foreign languages at a high communicative level in order to ensure security and stable development of the country's educational sphere was highlighted. At present, according to the world community Uzbekistan is actively cooperating with foreign partners in various directions, including in the field of education.

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INTRODUCTION.

Uzbekistan, a nation with a rich history at the heart of the Great Silk Road, is once again positioning itself as a bridge between East and West. In this era of globalization, the ability to communicate across cultures is no longer a luxury but a necessity. For Uzbekistan and its ambitious youth, learning foreign languages has become a fundamental key to personal growth, economic opportunity, and national progress.

DISCUSSION AND RESULTS.

In general, we should learn new foreign languages for new positive changes in Uzbekistan. How? In fact, after the Soviet Union and Russia, Uzbekistan is now a developing country in all respects. Uzbekistan is actively pursuing a policy of economic diversification and attracting foreign investment. We make an export our goods and import their which we can not make it. Major companies from countries like China, Russia, South Korea, Germany, Turkey, and Japan are establishing a presence in the country. This creates a soaring demand for a workforce that is not only skilled but also linguistically capable. It leads to career advancement. Knowing English, Russian, German, or Mandarin Chinese opens doors to high-paying jobs in sectors like tourism, energy, IT, logistics, and finance. Bilingual or trilingual individuals are often prioritized for management and client-facing roles.

Moreover, Uzbekistan aims to become a top tourist destination than other countries, that is why language skills are vital. Hospitality workers, guides, and business owners who can communicate with international visitors directly contribute to a positive visitor experience and the country's economic growth.

The world's knowledge is not confined to one language. For Uzbek students and professionals, foreign languages are a gateway to a vast reservoir of information. One of the



important point is studying abroad. Many of the world's top universities, particularly in English-speaking countries, Russia, Germany, and South Korea, offer scholarships and programs. Strong language skills are the first requirement to qualify for these life-changing opportunities. That is why, additional language textbooks have been added to every university. Learning an additional language has been made mandatory for children not only in university but also in preschool education and school in Uzbekistan.

Language is the soul of a culture. Learning a new language does more than just enable communication; it fosters understanding and breaks down stereotypes.

A Modern Silk Road: Just as the ancient Silk Road was a conduit for ideas, today's digital world connects people instantly. Learning languages allows Uzbek youth to engage in meaningful cultural exchanges, build friendships worldwide, and present their own rich culture and history to a global audience.

Soft Power: As Uzbeks become proficient in global languages, they can more effectively share their nation's stories, traditions, and arts—from Alisher Navoi's poetry to modern Uzbek cinema—enhancing the country's international image.

The linguistic environment in Uzbekistan is unique and evolving. Despite Uzbek's official status, Russian continues to play an outsized role in higher education, specialized professions, business, science, urban media, and interethnic communication. Estimates and reporting indicate millions use Russian as a second language; it remains an important practical tool especially in cities and technical fields. However, the government's "Uzbekistan - 2030" strategy explicitly emphasizes the importance of learning other foreign languages. Also, the government has launched ambitious programs to improve English language teaching in schools and universities, recognizing it as the primary language of international communication, science, and technology.

CONCLUSION.

For the individual, learning a foreign language in today's Uzbekistan is an investment in one's own future, unlocking career paths and educational horizons. For the nation, it is a strategic imperative. A multilingual population is an empowered population, capable of driving innovation, building strong international relationships, and confidently claiming Uzbekistan's place on the global stage. The words of the great Uzbek poet Alisher Navoi remind us of the power of language: "A word can raise the soul to the heavens or cast it down to the depths." By embracing the languages of the world, Uzbekistan is raising its voice to shape its own destiny.

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