

8B Reading Exercise

A. True/False/Not Given

1. _____ Fewer than one-fifth of the world's population can speak more than one language fluently.
2. _____ The text claims that learning a new language changes the brain's structure.
3. _____ According to the text, multilingual people are usually better at sports than monolinguals.
4. _____ Research mentioned in the text suggests that bilinguals have denser grey matter than monolinguals.
5. _____ The article states that white matter becomes weaker when someone learns more than one language.
6. _____ The writer argues that multilingualism improves both problem-solving and multitasking abilities.
7. _____ Most multilingual individuals learn their additional languages only through formal education.
8. _____ The text indicates that learning languages helps people connect with different cultures.
9. _____ The writer encourages students to value multilingualism for both academic and personal reasons.
10. _____ The blog post claims that multilingualism eliminates all learning challenges for students.

B. Complete the sentences below. Write NO MORE THAN TWO WORDS.

1. Fewer than 20% of the world's population can speak more than one language, placing multilinguals in a/an _____ group.
2. Learning a new language fundamentally _____ the brain's structure.
3. Bilingual individuals have denser _____ than monolingual people.
4. Multilingualism allows people to connect with different _____.
5. The writer compares learning new languages to strengthening _____.