

Language and Identity

Instructions:

You will hear a short talk about the relationship between language and identity.

Answer Questions 1–20.

Write **ONE WORD ONLY** where required.

Section 1: Multiple Choice (Questions 1–5)

Choose the correct letter A, B, or C.

1. What is the main idea of the talk?

- A. How languages disappear over time
- B. How language shapes identity and belonging
- C. How children learn their first language

2. According to the speaker, language influences identity mainly through:

- A. Grammar rules
- B. Social interaction
- C. Writing systems

3. Which feature of speech is mentioned as revealing identity?

- A. Vocabulary size
- B. Accent
- C. Hand gestures

4. Why do people sometimes change the way they speak?

- A. To improve pronunciation
- B. To confuse others
- C. To adapt to different social contexts

5. The speaker suggests that language can also be used to:

- A. Create distance between people
- B. Show education level only
- C. Eliminate cultural differences

Section 2: Sentence Completion (Questions 6–10)

Complete the sentences below. Write **ONE WORD ONLY**.

Language is an important part of a person's _____.

The way someone speaks may show their cultural _____.

Speakers often modify their language depending on the _____ situation.

Accent and dialect can signal membership in a specific _____.

The speaker explains that identity is not _____, but flexible.

Section 3: True / False / Not Given (Questions 11–15)

Write:

TRUE if the statement agrees with the speaker

FALSE if the statement contradicts the speaker

NOT GIVEN if it is not mentioned

Language and identity are completely independent of each other. _____

Identity can change depending on context and experience. _____

Everyone uses the same language variety in all situations. _____

Language reflects social and cultural experiences. _____

The talk includes detailed statistics about multilingual countries. _____

Section 4: Matching (Questions 16–20)

Match each term with the correct description. Write the correct letter A–E.

| Terms | Answer |
|--------------------|--------|
| 16. Identity | |
| 17. Accent | |
| 18. Code-switching | |
| 19. Language | |
| 20. Culture | |

Descriptions

- A. Adjusting language according to audience or context
- B. A system used for communication within a society
- C. Shared beliefs and practices of a group
- D. A sense of who a person is and where they belong
- E. A way of speaking linked to region or social group

