## Spanish

Spanish is the most widely spoken language after Mandarin, English and Hindi. It is the second language in the USA and second most popular language in Europe after English. It is the official language in 21 countries around the world including Spain. Spanish is becoming more and more important with respect to business needs. Learning Spanish will assist you to communicate better with Spanish speaking counterparts at work and will open up lot more business and job opportunities.

## WHY LEARN SPANISH

## Spanish Ranks as World's No. 2 Language

With 329 million native speakers, Spanish ranks as the world's No. 2 language in terms of how many people speak it as their first language.

## Spanish Is Spoken Around the World

Spanish has at least 3 million native speakers in each of 44 countries, making it the fourth most widely spoken language behind English (112 countries), French (60), and Arabic (57). Antarctica and Australia are the only continents without a large Spanish-speaking population.

## For Personal Growth

Knowing another language gives a person the ability to step inside the mind and context of another culture. With the ability to communicate and understand a culture on its own terms, one has true access to that culture. Why is important? In a world where nations and people are ever more dependent upon one another, intercultural sensitivity can help build trust and cooperation, the ability to negotiate and compromise.

## For Professional Growth

