

Supplementary file 1

Supplementary A

Read the following items and choose the most appropriate answer to each question. Thank you for your cooperation.

Knowledge mastery

1. In my opinion, individuals who can speak more than one language are very knowledgeable.
a) *Completely agree* b) *agree* c) *have no idea* d) *disagree* e) *completely disagree*
2. I see learning English as a transmission of professional knowledge.
a) *Completely agree* b) *agree* c) *have no idea* d) *disagree* e) *completely disagree*
3. I believe that learning English has a good effect on academic performance leading to gain higher level of knowledge.
a) *Completely agree* b) *agree* c) *have no idea* d) *disagree* e) *completely disagree*
4. Studying English gives me the chance of creating new thoughts.
a) *Completely agree* b) *agree* c) *have no idea* d) *disagree* e) *completely disagree*

Self-improvement

5. Studying English makes me have good emotions (feelings) about myself.
a) *Completely agree* b) *agree* c) *have no idea* d) *disagree* e) *completely disagree*
6. Knowing English language makes me feel more confident.
a) *Completely agree* b) *agree* c) *have no idea* d) *disagree* e) *completely disagree*
7. Studying English helps me to improve my personality.
a) *Completely agree* b) *agree* c) *have no idea* d) *disagree* e) *completely disagree*

Future achievement

8. English language is an important subject at university since I will need it for my future career.
a) *Completely agree* b) *agree* c) *have no idea* d) *disagree* e) *completely disagree*
9. I think that learning English will open more job opportunities for me in future.
a) *Completely agree* b) *agree* c) *have no idea* d) *disagree* e) *completely disagree*
10. I think that learning English will help me in higher academic achievement.
a) *Completely agree* b) *agree* c) *have no idea* d) *disagree* e) *completely disagree*

Social status

11. Knowing the English language is important because others will respect me more if can speak English.
a) *Completely agree* b) *agree* c) *have no idea* d) *disagree* e) *completely disagree*
12. English is a prestigious language with a high social level.
a) *Completely agree* b) *agree* c) *neutral* d) *disagree* e) *completely disagree*
13. I feel proud when studying English language
a) *Completely agree* b) *agree* c) *have no idea* d) *disagree* e) *completely disagree*

Self-made duty

14. To tell the truth, I study English just to pass the exams.
a) *Completely agree* b) *agree* c) *have no idea* d) *disagree* e) *completely disagree*
15. Learning English is not important in my life; it is just a university course to pass.
a) *Completely agree* b) *agree* c) *have no idea* d) *disagree* e) *completely disagree*
16. An important purpose for my English learning is to obtain a university degree.
a) *Completely agree* b) *agree* c) *have no idea* d) *disagree* e) *completely disagree*

Technology based

17. Being good in English helps me use modern technology effectively.
a) *Completely agree* b) *agree* c) *have no idea* d) *disagree* e) *completely disagree*
18. I learn English to catch up with technological developments in the world.
a) *Completely agree* b) *agree* c) *have no idea* d) *disagree* e) *completely disagree*
19. English language is important since it helps me to use the internet and social networks.

a) *Completely agree* b) *agree* c) *have no idea* d) *disagree* e) *completely disagree*

Cultural awareness

20. I like to learn English because it helps me travel abroad and get acquainted with different cultures.

a) *Completely agree* b) *agree* c) *have no idea* d) *disagree* e) *completely disagree*

21. Learning English can enrich my cultural horizons by learning from different cultures.

a) *Completely agree* b) *agree* c) *have no idea* d) *disagree* e) *completely disagree*

22. I believe learning English prevents from many misunderstandings of unintentional culture- biased behaviors.

a) *Completely agree* b) *agree* c) *have no idea* d) *disagree* e) *completely disagree*.

Relations with others

23. English plays an important role for successful international affairs.

a) *Completely agree* b) *agree* c) *have no idea* d) *disagree* e) *completely disagree*

24. Studying English helps me to have good relationships with other people in my field.

a) *Completely agree* b) *agree* c) *have no idea* d) *disagree* e) *completely disagree*

25. Studying English helps me communicate effectively.

a) *Completely agree* b) *agree* c) *have no idea* d) *disagree* e) *completely disagree*

Supplementary B

Read the following items carefully and decide how they apply to you. Choose the number from the scale below based on the degree of importance to show who you are:

1 = Not important 2 = slightly important 3 = somewhat important 4 = Very important 5 = extremely important

1. The things belong to me
2. Personal beliefs and moral values
3. The degree of popularity with other people
4. My family generation
5. My hopes and dreams
6. Others' reaction to what I say and act
7. Ethnic background or race
8. Dreams and hopes for the future
9. Physical appearance and shape
10. Religious beliefs
11. Feelings and affections
12. What other people think of me
13. My hometown
14. Personal attitudes and opinions
15. Attractiveness to others
16. My age and generation
17. Impression on other people
18. How I cope with my anxieties and fears
19. The gender of being a male or a female
20. How behave with others
21. Being a unique and different person
22. Social attachments to the people I know
23. Social status
24. Belonging to my community

25. Remain the same in spite of different extrinsic changes
26. A good partner for the people I like
27. Self-awareness of the person I am
28. Being a responsible partner
29. A good feeling of being a citizen of my community
30. My physical and athletic abilities
31. Sharing life experiences with others
32. self-assessments
33. Enjoying sports
34. Experiencing good relationships
35. Starting a close relationship with another person
36. My professional plans
37. Establishing close relationships with other people
38. My political commitments and activities
39. a need to know the real feelings of others
40. My grades at school or university
41. Understanding other people
42. The languages that I know
43. A sense of connection with other people
44. The role of being a school or university student
45. Sexual orientations; heterosexual, homosexual, or bisexual

Supplementary C

1. What is your attitude toward learning the English language?
2. What is the effect of learning the English language in your individual, academic, and occupational life?
3. To what extent do you use the English language in your daily life? And how do you use it?
4. What is the relationship between your field of study and the English language?

Supplementary D

What do you think about the improvement of your English knowledge?

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Why do you need to study the English language?

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How often do you use the English language?

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In future I shall be using English for