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| **Composition**  **“The role of foreign languages in our life”**  **“He who does not know foreign languages**  **does not know anything about his own”**  **I.W.Goethe** |  |
| Many people learn foreign languages, as they know how important it is in the modern world. Some learn English, other French and German. There are people who like learning rare or extinct languages, such as Latin, Sanskrit, Anglo-Saxon, Hebrew. The great German poet I.W.Goethe has once said: “He who knows no foreign language doesn’t know his own”. Those, who study languages, they understand that it makes them smarter, broadens their mind and gives basic knowledge of linguistic structure. **Mark Armidon said: “Language is the means of getting an idea from my brain into yours without surgery”.** Moreover, psychological studies have shown that people who study foreign languages on regular basis have a better memory. They become more observant and decisive. And, it goes without saying that these people have better communicational skills.  From the practical point of view, people learn foreign languages to get a better job, to emigrate, to communicate with foreign friends and relatives, to travel and to study abroad, to conduct a certain research, to learn more about different cultures. In my opinion, if you know at least one foreign language, you can learn more about the customs and traditions of one new country. **Language is the road map of a culture. It tells you where its people come from and where they are going.**  Most people learn English nowadays, as it is the international language of commerce, travelling, medicine, modern technology and science. However, other European or Asian languages are also worth exploring. The more languages you know, the more friends around the globe you have. **If you talk to a man in a language he understands, that goes to his head. If you talk to him in his language, that goes to his heart. The great political man has said once those words. Many great people have said the wise quotations about languages. For example Carl the Great said:” To have another language is to possess a second soul”. And it is quite correct. A different language is a different vision of life. If we spoke a different language, we would perceive a somewhat different world. How many languages you know — that many times you are a person.** That’s why: Don’t stop studying the language!  Composition  ***“The role of foreign languages in our life”***    Pupil: Anastasia Strelnikova,  the 9th grade, secondary school № 7  Tutor: Helen Vargina  Stepnogorsk  2015 |  |