

**What Language Do You Speak at Home?**  
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**Pre-reading Discussion Question:**

1. Here in the US, what language do you speak at home? Why? Do you speak the same language with your spouse? Children? Parents? Why or why not?
2. Read the first paragraph. Discuss the questions that the author raises.
3. Read the rest of the article and answer the questions below.

**Vocabulary:**

Adjust            encourage            resolve            culture  
Roots            respect            demonstrate    reject  
Multitude of cultural manifestations

**Post-reading Comprehension and Discussion Questions:**

1. The purpose of this article is to:
  - a. Tell you that you should speak English at home.
  - b. Encourage you to think and write about the topic of home language
  - c. Tell you that you should speak your native language at home
  
2. What language does the writer plan to speak with her future children? Why?  
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3. Does the writer think it is important to learn English well?  
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4. The writer says “I think it is different for people who want to learn other languages because of their interest in other cultures.” What does she think is the difference between immigrants and non-immigrants in terms of what language to speak at home? Do you agree or disagree?  
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5. Why does she think it is important for children to learn and have respect for their native language? Do you agree or disagree?  
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6. For the writer, what is the relationship between language and culture?  
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