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THE PIGEONS**

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**POR FAVOR NO DE COMIDA
A LAS PALOMAS**

Chapter 5

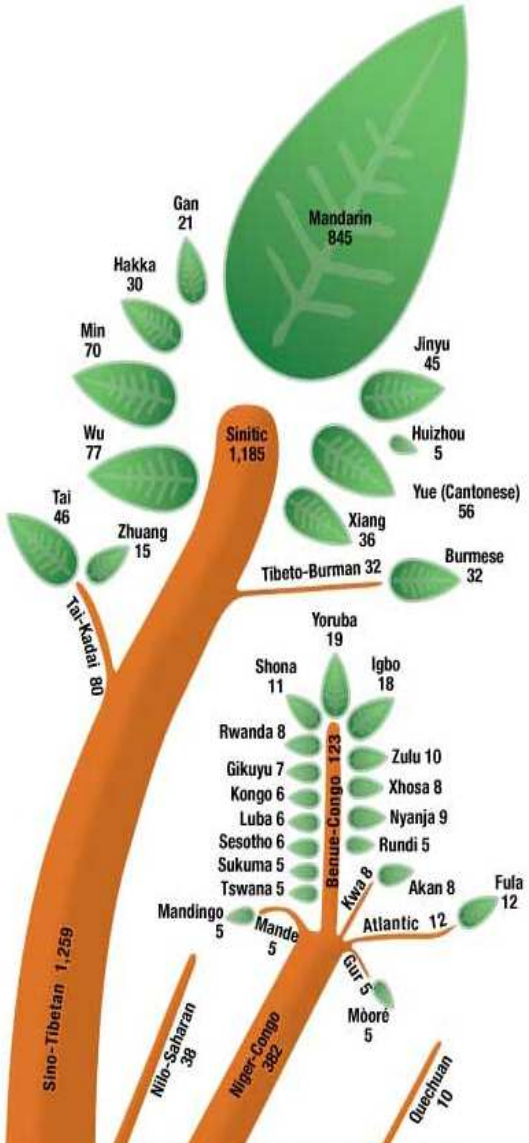
LANGUAGE

Chapter 5 Key Issue 1

**WHERE ARE LANGUAGES
DISTRIBUTED?**

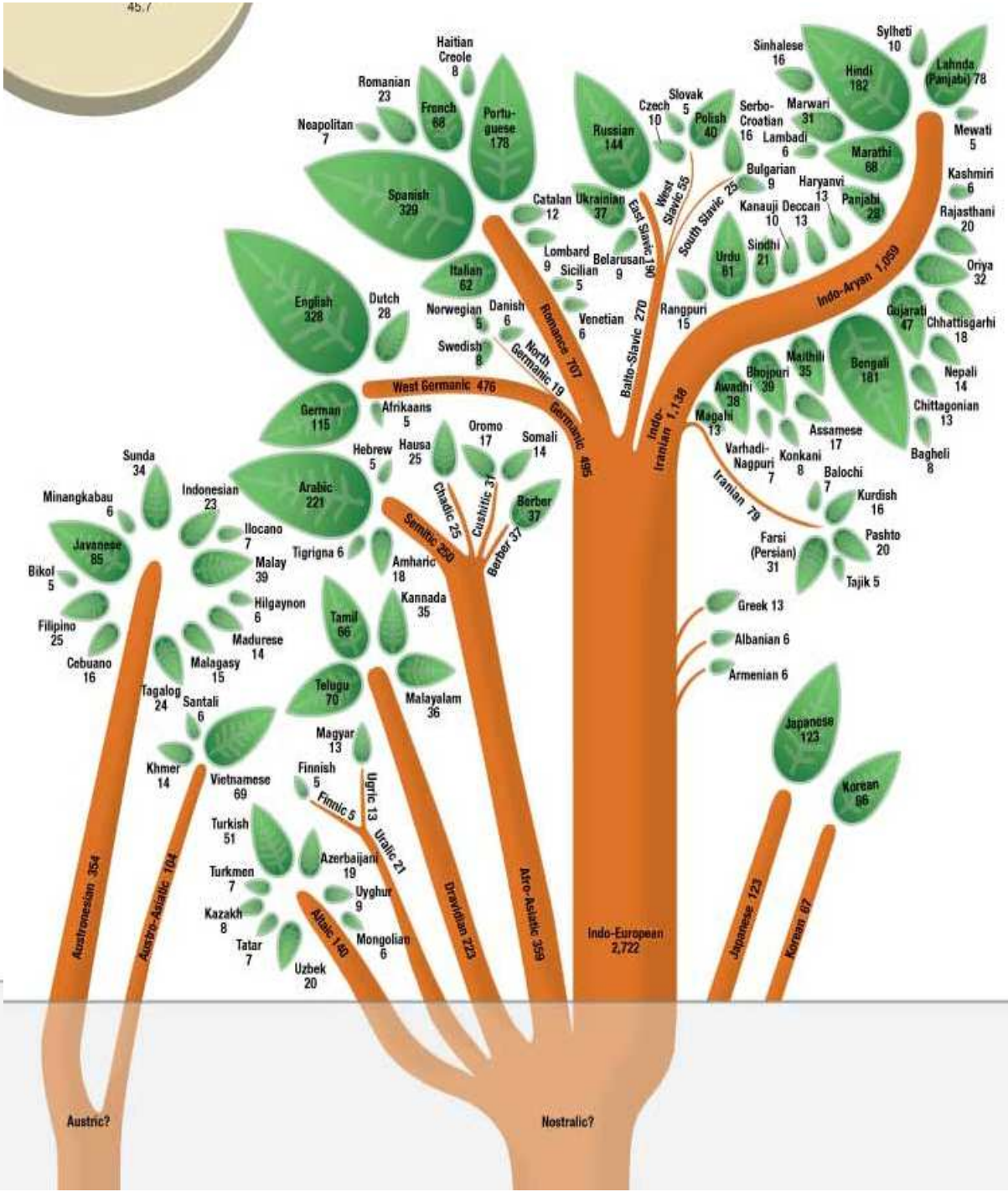
What is Language?

- System of communication through speech
 - Collection of sounds that a group of people understands to have the same meaning.
 - *Literary tradition* refers to a system of written communication.
 - Many countries designate at least one *official language*
 - Used for official documents and public objects—road signs/ money
- World Statistics
 - 46 Alphabets and Logograms are in use today
 - Examples Latin, Cyrillic, Greek, Arabic, etc
 - Logograms is the umbrella idea of symbols representing words
 - 6,909 languages and 11 spoken by over 100 million
 - German, Portuguese, Spanish, Russian, Arabic, Bengali, Hindi, Japanese, Lahnda (Panjabi), and Mandarin



POSSIBLE PREHISTORIC SUPERFAMILIES

Sino-Caucasian?

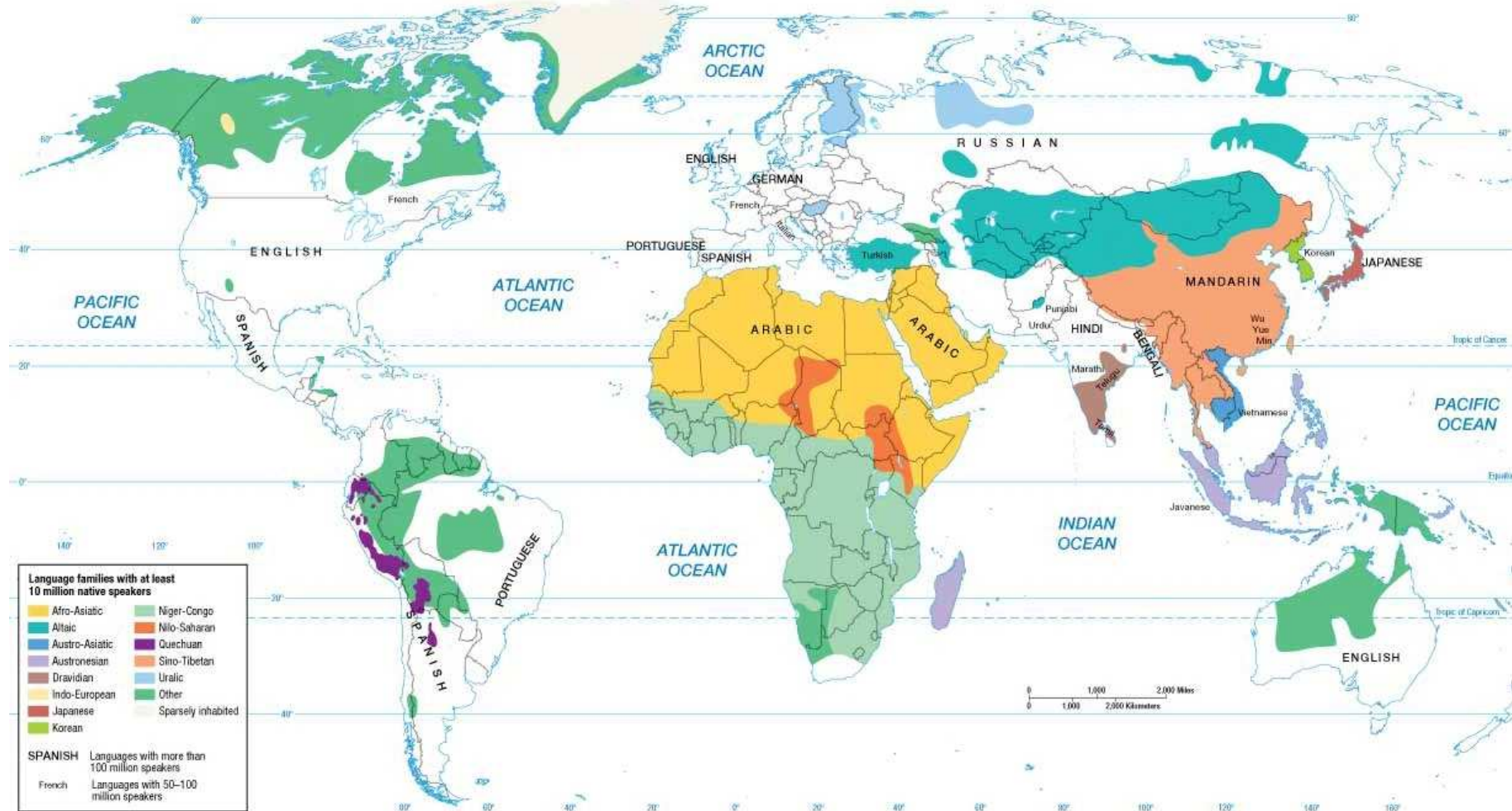


Austriac?

Nostralic?

Classification Of Languages

- 2/3 of the world speaks a language in the Indo-



- Austronesian, Austro-Asiatic, Tai Kadai, Japanese, Korean

Classification of Languages

- S.W. Asia

- Two large

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2. Altaic

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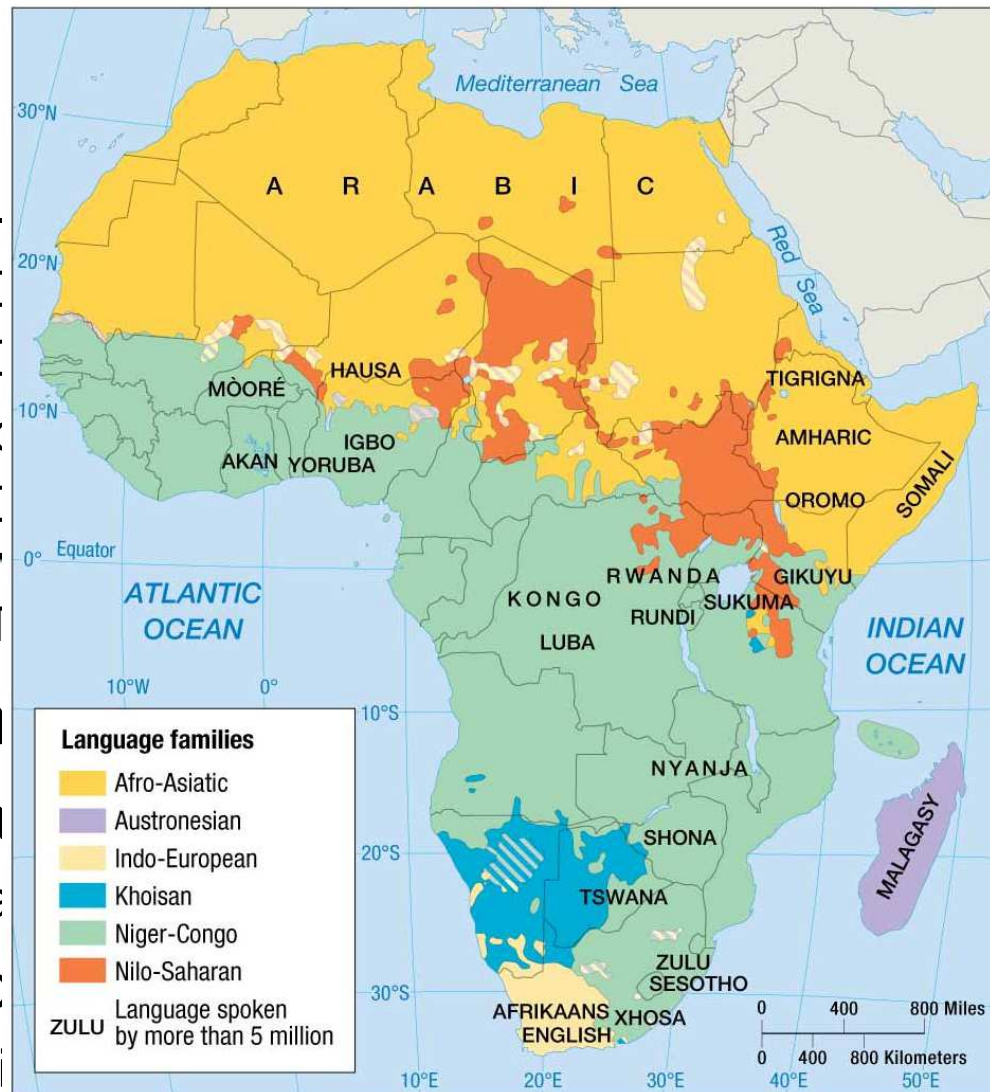
- African Languages

- More than

- Most large

- Niger-Congo

- Swahili



and North Africa

independence
Kazakhstan, and

of dialects

- Spoken by 30 million Africans

- » Language used to speak with outsiders from different villages

Chapter 5 Key Issue 2

**WHY IS ENGLISH RELATED
TO OTHER LANGUAGES?**

Origins of English and Spanish

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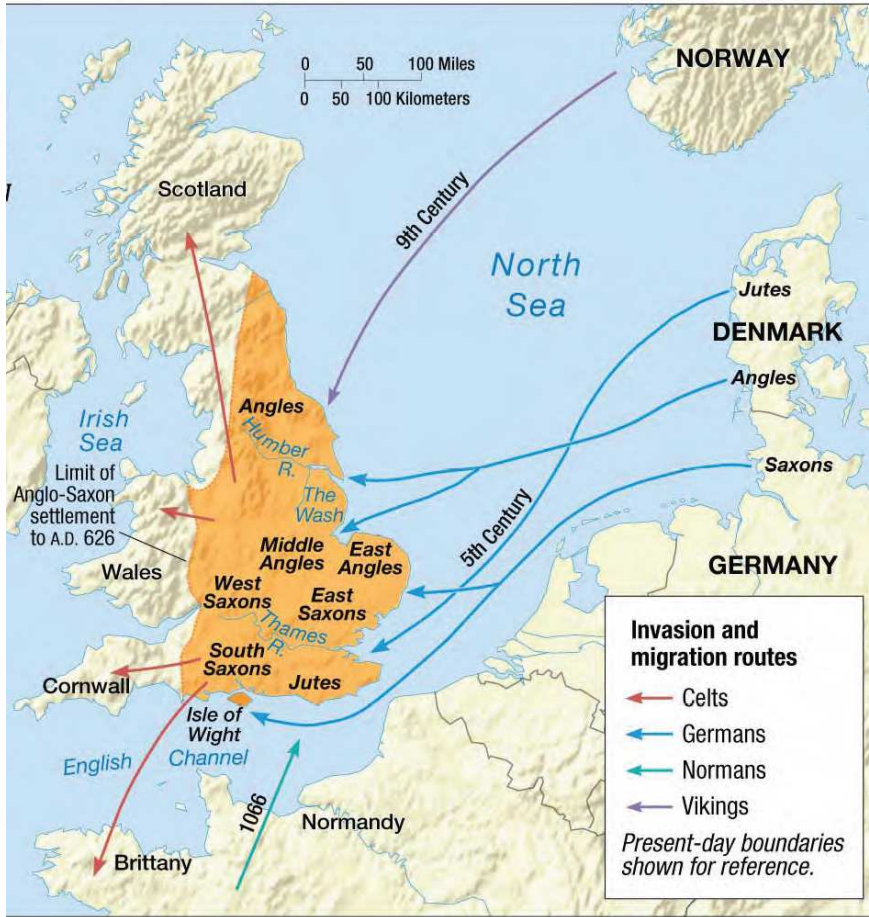
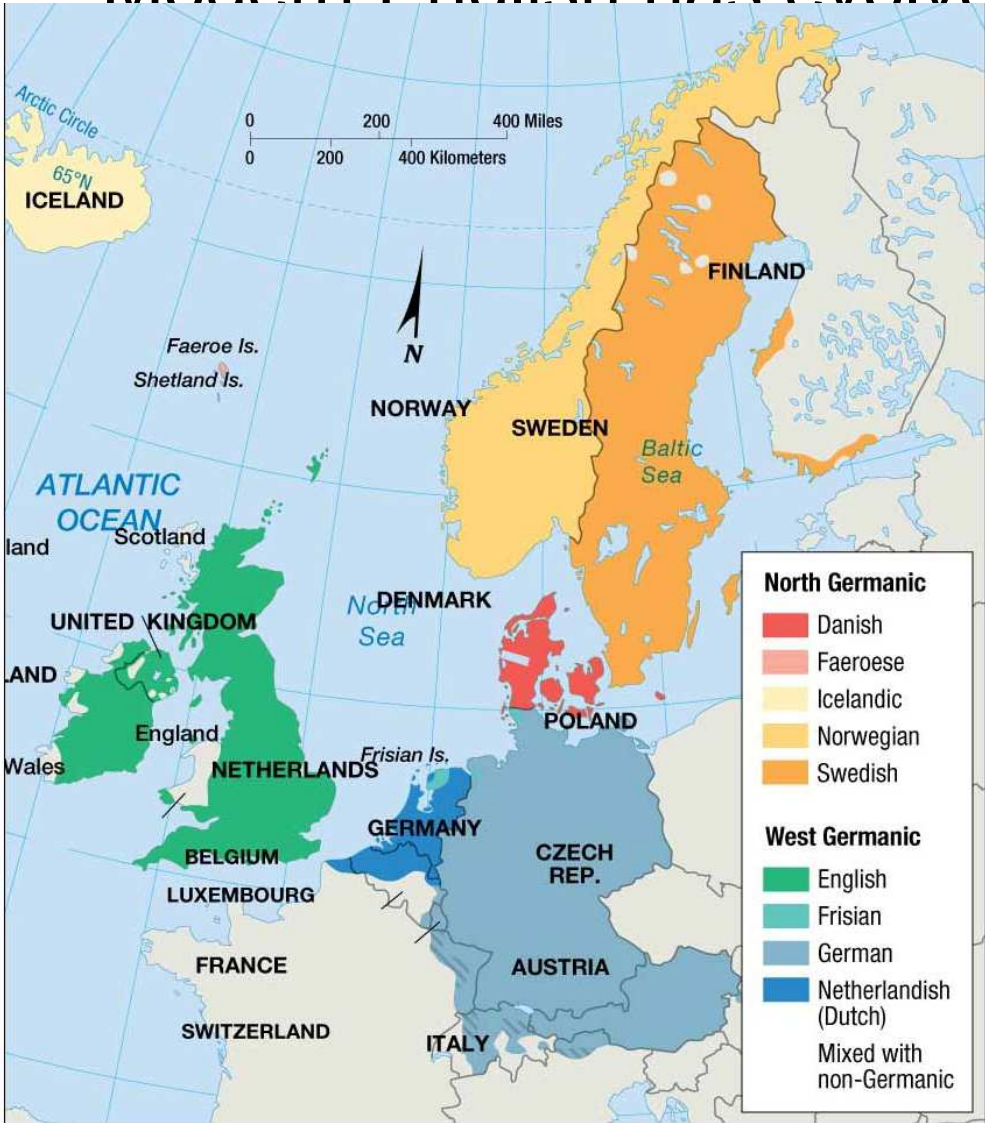
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Origins of English and Spanish

- Modern English has evolved primarily from the Germanic tribes invading



Origins of English and Spanish

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Romance branch of Indo-European

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| Portuguese | French/Langue d'oïl | Lombard | Sicilian | Ladin |
| Galician | French/Langue d'òc (Occitan) | Venetian | Sardinian | Friulian |
| Spanish | Italian | Ligurian | Corsican | Romanian |
| Catalán | Piemontese | Napoletano-Calabrese | Romansh | Not Romance languages |

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Prominence of English Today

- English diffuses across the world
 - English language migrated with the people of England when

