

### SPEAKING UP FOR LANGUAGES 13



#### 1 Work with a partner and discuss the questions.

- 1 Which languages do you speak?
- 2 Which would you like to learn one day?

#### 2 13 Watch the video and tick (✓) the topics that are mentioned.

- 1 ☐ learning to speak
- 2 ☐ common mistakes language learners make with vocabulary and grammar
- 3 ☐ how it can become harder to learn languages as you get older
- 4 ☐ why language learning is good for the brain
- 5 ☐ language-learning apps
- 6 ☐ the world's most complex language

#### 3 13 Read the sentences. Watch the video again and complete the gaps with the correct word or phrase.

- 1 We acquire a language with no ..... of learning.
- 2 At this stage, we are able to acquire .....
- 3 But when we go to school, the experience of ..... is a little different.
- 4 We discover that there are ....., from elementary to advanced.
- 5 We may understand a foreign language on the page of a ....., but not when someone uses it in real life.
- 6 It's worth ..... to learn other languages.
- 7 Being bilingual or multilingual improves your .....
- 8 ..... means that language learning doesn't have to be done at school.
- 9 Seeing the world through more than one language is .....
- 10 Language learning helps us think about how others .....

### ? ABOUT YOU

#### 4 Work with a partner. Ask and answer the questions.

- 1 What do you think is the best way to learn a language?
- 2 Do you consider yourself to be a natural language learner?
- 3 What would you say is your preferred means of communication?