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## THE ROLE OF FOREIGN LANGUAGES IN MODERN WORLD

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Knowledge of foreign languages - is the key to success in today's world, where communication in foreign languages and processing large amounts of information is becoming increasingly important. Nowadays knowledge of foreign languages plays an important role in the person's career, political and economic spheres of life. Possessing a foreign language, a person automatically goes to a higher social degree, as highly competitive member for any post either in one of the most prestigious foreign company or he could have active partnership in our country. International business and diplomatic relations are conducted in principal languages. There are six world languages that mainly play a key role in the world economic and political systems: English, Spanish, French, Russian, Chinese and Arabic. They are recognized as the official languages of the UNO.

Learning a foreign language has been and remains an integral part of modern professionals' formation process. European language policy focuses on multilingualism. It is simply impossible in modern world without this successful integration. National interests of Ukraine require the identification of Ukraine as an influential European country, full-fledged EU member. Studying in educational institutions with more than one foreign language is in the interests of overall national policy of Ukraine, because today our country is on the path to European integration and close cooperation with the countries of the European world, which is not possible without language skills.

The proficiency in English plays an important role in international relationships, because this is the official language of

international business and commerce, Internet and technology, science and arts. More and more multinational companies are mandating English as the common corporate language—Airbus, Daimler-Chrysler, Fast Retailing, Nokia, Renault, Samsung, SAP, Technicolor, and Microsoft in Beijing, to name a few—in an attempt to facilitate communication and performance across geographically diverse functions and business endeavors.

November 16, 2015, the President of Ukraine Petro Poroshenko signed a decree according to which 2016 year is announced as the Year of English language in Ukraine. Given the role of English as a language of international communication, to promote its study, to expand public access to the world's economic, social, educational and cultural opportunities offered by the knowledge and use of English, ensuring the integration of Ukraine into the European political, economic, scientific and educational space in support of the program Go Global, which defines learning English as a prior development strategy, in order to create opportunities for Ukrainians to use this language in education, science, culture, economy and other fields.

So, this year, in Ukraine will reveal new opportunities for learning English. Hope, in the nearest future every Ukrainian, living in new European country, will know English thoroughly.