

Language and Culture Summer 2014

it was... ah, words
can't describe!



are you sure?
that's what
they do



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Topic Examples

What is language?

How does language compare to other
animal forms of communication?

Non Spoken Languages
Sign Language and Whistled
Languages

Is the internet ruining our
language?
Spoiler alert: It is not!

Language in political ideologies
Do Democrats and Republicans say
the same thing in the same way?

Hip Hop Nation Language
How does music and poetry affect
dialects?

What is Spanglish?
Seriously, what is it?

Language and Culture is in
everything that makes us human.

Students will learn how language functions differ across
cultures and how anthropologists have interpreted topics
ranging from the origins of humans to language
phenomena in present day discourses.

This course is divided into three units.

Unit 1: The Nature of Language

Unit 2: Language as Social Phenomena and Social
Action

Unit 3: Multilingualism