

Questions

1. **Learning a new language can seem daunting...**

Which of these words is closest in meaning to the word **daunting**? Tick one.

- ☐ enjoyable
- ☐ scary
- ☐ easy
- ☐ forgettable

2. Number the statements from 1-4 to show the order that they appear in the text.

- ☐ No one is too old to learn a new language.
- ☐ Europe is the second-smallest continent on Earth.
- ☐ People in Europe should aim to be able to speak a number of different languages.
- ☐ The Council of Europe believes that language skills are necessary for everyone.

3. Fill in the missing numbers.

There are over _____ languages spoken worldwide and more than _____ of these come from Europe alone.

4. Approximately how many people live in Europe?

5. **The event was intended to be a one-off occurrence...**

How else could the author have written this phrase?

6. Do you think that the European Day of Languages should be celebrated annually?

Explain your answer.

7. Explain why the author may have chosen to include the **Learning a New Language** section.

8. Predict what might happen in a European school on 26th September next year.
