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**GOOD THINGS
COME TO THOSE
WHO WAIT**

SURFER



WHY
ME?

Language Learning



Transversal Skills and Language Learning

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Learning languages: a transversal skill

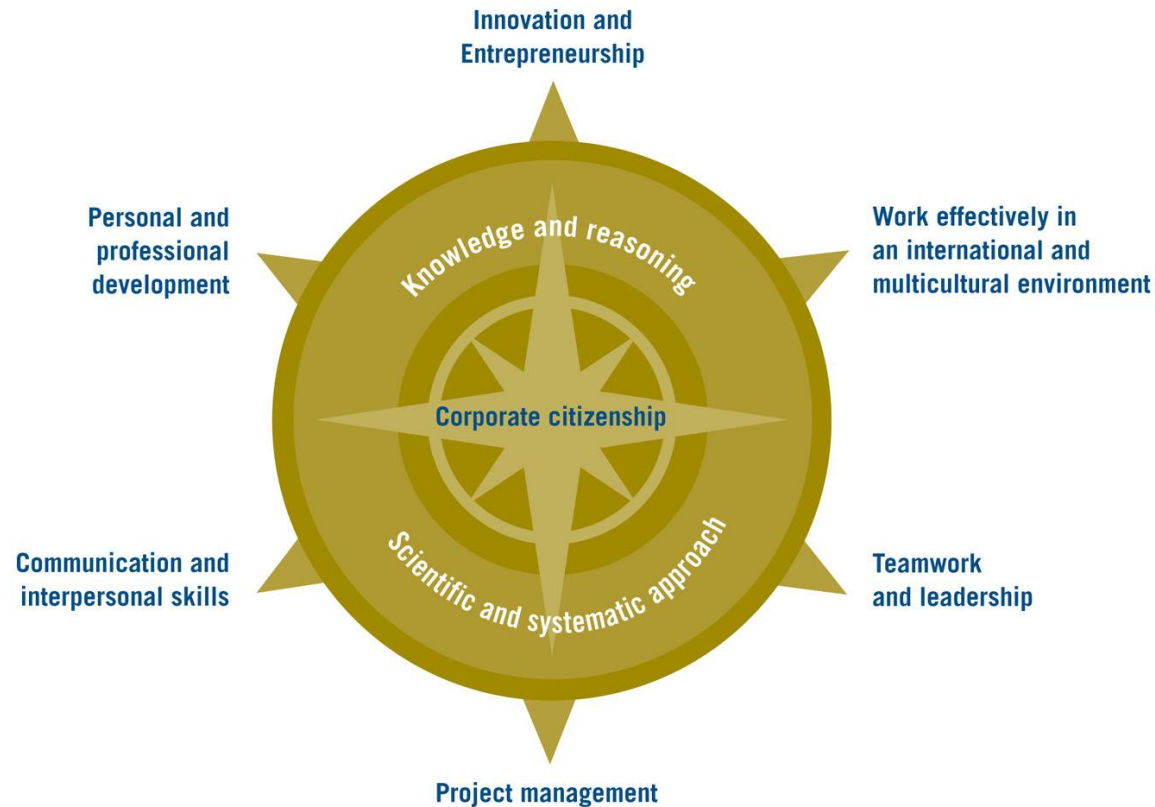
- Communication skills
- Getting across, crossing borders
- Cross-cultural awareness /
intercultural skills
- Critical thinking, self-reflectiveness
- Across disciplines

Sharing experience

- e-Portfolios (OMG, not that again)
- Content-Language Integrated Learning
- Informal Learning
- Employability Skills
- Life Skills

E-Portfolios

A beautiful failure



Linking languages and disciplines



Informal Learning



Employability through Language Learning



Life Skills

PRIORITISING
TIME MANAGEMENT
WORKING INDEPENDENTLY
CREATIVE THINKING POSITIVE THINKING
BUILDING CONFIDENCE PROBLEM SOLVING
LEADERSHIP CONFLICT MANAGEMENT
LISTENING SKILLS NEGOTIATING
HANDLING DISAPPOINTMENT
NETWORKING COMMUNICATION
RECOGNISING DIVERSITY



Life Skills

- “abilities for adaptive and positive behaviour that enable individuals to deal effectively with the challenges in everyday life, whether at school, at work or in our personal lives”
(macmillanenglish.com/life-skills)

Life Skills

Helping students to gain life skills therefore isn't about developing a new curriculum, it's about teaching the same content but structuring and incorporating opportunities for students to develop life skills into the organisation of the class.

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I have questions to all your answers.

(Woody Allen?)



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