

The Role of Language in Cross Cultural Bonds

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Abstract

The goal is to look at how language helps people from different cultures get along. Language is an important part of how people interact with each other because it is the most basic way to share ideas and information. Language is a reflection of culture, so when people from more than one culture live together, how they use language is more important and complicated. The is also going to be one of the goals that is reviewed How the use of different languages creates barriers in cross-cultural communities and how these barriers affect the bonds that are made in cross-cultural communities. In the field of development, the question of what role language plays in communities with many different cultures is becoming more and more important. The world-wide study of both literature and social studies. As Cross-cultural communication brings together the seemingly unrelated fields of cultural anthropology and communication. Its goal is to bridge the gap between these two fields. Cross-cultural communication is based on being able to understand the different ways that people from different cultures interact with each other. In addition, it is supposed to come up with some recommendations that can help people from different cultures communicate better with each other. As a society's cultural practices and linguistic patterns shape the way people think, act, and communicate with the outside world, they also shape the way people think, act, and communicate with each other.

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Introduction

A group is said to be defined by its culture, which includes its beliefs, language, and social practices. The ways in which individuals communicate, the ways in which they see one another, and the attitudes that are spread depending on cultural orientation are all influenced by culture. The identity of a nation can be seen in its cultural expressions. Therefore, mastering a language is absolutely necessary for effective social integration. The interchange of ideas between individuals of different cultural origins is what is meant by the term "cross-cultural communication." Language not only plays an essential part in the process of communicating across cultural boundaries, but it also helps people better understand one another and brings together a variety of civilizations (Hammer & Bennett, 2009).

Language is an important part of human interaction because it is the main way people talk to each other. When people from different cultures talk to each other, using language becomes even more complicated and important because language shows culture (Wierzbicka, 2004). This will look at how using a person's preferred language can change how they communicate and how they get along with others. It is important to use a person's preferred language because language is more than just the words used to talk. It means something to people on an emotional, cultural, and even spiritual level (Zlomislić et al., 2016). So, even if someone is

fluent in a second or third language, it's still best to talk to a bilingual or multilingual person in their preferred language. Using a person's preferred language instead of another language to build relationships and talk about the gospel makes the relationship stronger, lowers cultural barriers, and makes it more likely that the person will be open to the message you want to share.

The unbreakable connection that exists between culture and language, as well as the application of instructional methodologies for teaching a second language through culture in order to improve students' linguistic comprehension. Not only is language the end product of culture, but it also serves as a representation of culture (Hammer & Bennett, 2009).

"An exploration of how language both presupposes and produces afresh, social interactions in cultural context" is a wide definition that may be used to describe "language socialization." In order to achieve communicative competence, it is very necessary for the speaker to comprehend not just the grammatical structure of the language but also how the various linguistic components are socially placed. Since human experience is considered to have cultural significance, it follows that certain aspects of language do as well. When comparing the communication norms of different cultures, one must give serious consideration to semiotics and the analysis of different sign systems. Language socialization, on the other hand, is associated with a number of potentially problematic outcomes.

People have a tendency to overgeneralize things or characterize civilizations using characterizations that are subjective and based on stereotypes. Documenting alternative cultural norms presents a number of significant challenges, one of the most significant of which is the fact that no social actor employs language in ways that are an exact fit for normative characterizations (Wierzbicka, 2004). Incorporating a technique that investigates how an individual utilizes language and other semiotic activity to construct and employ new models of behavior, as well as how this varies from the societal norm, should be a part of the research process for studying how language socialization occurs.

Language is a useful tool for navigating the complexities of a foreign culture and cultivating more in-depth viewpoints on that nation. This is due to the fact that culture is an essential component of interaction, as well as the function that language plays in the overall cultural experience. The importance of the language by first identifying the numerous cultural differences that are signified by intercultural communication and then identifying the important features of language that are present in each of the various notions (Squires, 2009).

People that reside in various parts of the world have a variety of distinct cultural origins and speak a variety of different languages. Language and culture may at first glance appear to be two separate domains; yet, they are really interwoven with one another and have a reciprocal influence on one another. It showed that languages are both the products and symbols of civilizations. Language evolution often affects the culture it's associated with, and cultural cognition and tradition are encoded in language.

People tend to choose one language over another in large part due to the emotional ties they have developed with their chosen linguistic medium. When a youngster uses language to "interact with and make sense of the world," an emotional connection to that language begins to grow during that child's childhood (Edwards, 1998). The individual's first language, as stated by education specialists, acts as a link to the individual's culture as well as a provider of the individual's identity. an organization that assists other organizations and businesses in improving their ability to communicate with a multiethnic population.

Language is a social institution that impacts and is influenced by society. This shows that language is not a freestanding creation but a social activity that contributes to and is formed by the social institutions in which we live and carry out our everyday activities. Language and

culture cannot subsist separately; there will always be a "transfusion" between them. Fluency in a new language requires familiarity with language culture (Hopkins, 1987).

What is cross-cultural?

Studies that compare cultures from different parts of the world are called cross-cultural studies, and the term "cross-cultural" can also refer to this comparative approach; (1) The study of cross-cultural communication is a subfield of linguistics that examines how people of varying cultural origins interact with one another; (2) Any of a number of different ways in which people from different cultural groups engage with one another; (3) The study of cultural interactions, which is also known as cross-culturalism in some circles.

The study of how people from different cultures verbally and non-verbally communicate with one another has given rise to the field of cross-cultural communication, which seeks to both define and comprehend the myriad of ways in which people from different parts of the world communicate with one another.

As a result of globalization, the idea of bridging cultural divides is assuming an increasingly vital role (Edwards, 1998). Today, education that spans more than one culture is regarded as essential, and it is increasingly being used in administrative positions overseas. As a result of the fact that many people in these regions do not understand the culture of the other regions, this may have an influence on the formation of the relationships between these regions. Due to the fact that the language is a significant factor in the communication barriers that exist between the various cultures and areas.

Cross-Cultural Communication and Global Rise

The field of study known as cross-cultural communication examines the ways in which people of different cultural backgrounds communicate with one another, both in ways that are similar to and different from one another, as well as the ways in which they attempt to communicate across cultural boundaries. One similar area of research is known as intercultural communication (Fuller & Toon, 1988).

As a result of growing globalization and international trade, it is inevitable that people from various cultures will come into contact with one another, clash, and eventually converge. People who come from various cultural backgrounds find it difficult to connect with one another not just because of language limitations, but also because of differences in the styles of their respective cultures. In individualistic societies, such as those seen in the United States, Canada, and Western Europe, for example, the autonomous figure of the self or the self itself is exalted. The sense of self that this autonomous figure possesses is one that is separate both from that of other people and the surrounding environment. In cultures that are considered to be interdependent, such as those found in Southern Europe, Asia, Latin America, and Africa, a figure of the self that is interdependent tends to take the forefront (Zlomislić et al., 2016).

The interconnectedness of the person to others and the environment is emphasised more; the idea that the self is relevant primarily in the context of social interactions, obligations, and roles is common. Cultural divide influence may outweigh linguistic barrier. This difference in cultural styles makes cross-cultural communication challenging. It is especially difficult to communicate effectively with persons who come from various cultural backgrounds. Cultures influence how people think, see, hear, and perceive the world. Even if they speak the "same" language, persons from different cultures may understand words differently. When people speak different languages and must rely on translation in order to communicate, there is a greater chance that they may misunderstand one another. The field of research that encompasses the entire world is known as cross-cultural communication studies (Squires, 2009).

The apparently unconnected sciences of cultural anthropology and established areas of communication are brought together under the umbrella of cross-cultural communication, which aims to bridge the gap between them. Understanding the many modes of interaction between people of different cultural backgrounds is at the heart of cross-cultural communication. In addition to this, it is tasked with formulating certain recommendations that might facilitate improved intercultural communication between persons of varying cultural backgrounds (Fuller & Toon, 1988).

The multidisciplinary approach is necessary for effective communication across cultural boundaries. It takes knowledge of anthropology, culture, psychology, and communication. Studying languages different than one's own can help one grasp what humans have in common and the diversity of how languages generate and organise knowledge. Studying various languages can achieve this. The development of a critical awareness of social interactions may be greatly aided by gaining such an insight, which has important ramifications. To be effective in international business matters, one must have a solid foundation in social connection dynamics as well as an understanding of how different cultures function (Porter, 1996).

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The obstacles that cultural diversity places in the way of cross-cultural communication are the root cause of many of the issues that we face in the workplace today. Inadequate cultural awareness as well as a lack of intercultural communications skills are the root causes of crosscultural communication obstacles. Some of these barriers include anxiety, uncertainty, stereotyping, and ethnocentrism. It is absolutely necessary to have enough training in intercultural communication as well as exposure to various cultures in order to remove these obstacles (Porter, 1996).

It is essential, in order to improve the atmosphere of the company, to find solutions to these obstacles. This will also open up chances for the organization to grow and broaden its geographical perspective. When people from different nations, ethnicities, values, and parts of the world come together, it can cause problems. Working in a multicultural team offers hurdles, disagreement, and conflict (Cervera Salinas, 2011).

These obstacles and conflicts affect each employee's and the company's performance, however slightly. Companies must strengthen their communication in a multicultural business setting. Cross-cultural communication, or interactions between people from different cultures who speak the same language, must be efficient to avoid misunderstandings and arguments and help a company achieve its goals. A corporation must understand the obstacles of cross-cultural communication to make it successful. The company can only improve cross-cultural communication then (Kramsch, 2014).

Why It's Necessary To Communicate Across Cultural Boundaries?

Only relatively recently has the concept of cross-cultural communication emerged as an important focus in language teaching. "Within the past two decades, and especially within the past ten, we've come to have a far better understanding of the importance that language plays in determining identity," It is believed that language and cultural studies fulfill the criteria of the earning the behavior of the society as well as the cultural norms of the society (Kramsch & Steffensen, 2008).

To get a better grasp on what exactly cross-cultural communication is, it is helpful to think of culture as something dynamic and all-encompassing. as "Culture is a verb," in order to become conscious of what culture actually is, you need to really develop a critical eye to look at your views and your surroundings. This is necessary in order to get knowledgeable about what culture genuinely is Although you are most likely to become aware of how you "do culture" when you encounter with someone who "does culture" differently from you, "doing culture" might encompass not only methods of speaking and acting, but also thoughts and beliefs that you are not even aware of Learning a new language or traveling to a different country are two common instances of cross-cultural communication; however, joining a new workplace or engaging in a community organization with people who come from a variety of backgrounds can also involve cross-cultural communication abilities (Mill & Ogilvie, 2003).

If you wish to engage in cross-cultural work, you can't accomplish it by excluding people from other cultures. "To be truly multicultural, to truly be open-minded and understanding about the disparities that human beings have in their lives, their languages, and in the beliefs and cultural practices they practice, is to be inclusive," is the new word meaning "to be truly multicultural."

Language Proficiency Role in Cross-Culture Communications

The study of language in order to gain insight into people's actions, social dynamics, and the cultural connotations ascribed to those actions. language stands in for data, and conversation is the process through which new information is gleaned from study participants. However, when doing research across cultural boundaries, the need for interpreters/translators to act as "cultural brokers" increases the complexity of linguistic and interpersonal communication challenges. When performing cross-cultural research, the researcher is less familiar with the language and culture. Cross-cultural research presents numerous methodological, epistemological, and practical barriers. This explores how research paradigms interpret language and communication, and how these views affect technique and conclusions. Improving the methodological rigour of cross-cultural qualitative research requires considering language and communication considerations throughout the study process (Bhabha, 2012).

More openness is required in the execution of cross-cultural research to better illuminate the generation and interpretation of data originating from a different language. Acknowledging the work of language helpers is essential for both data quality and quantity. Finally, because of the importance of cultural interpretation in cross-cultural research (Training & Center, 2007).

The focus of sociolinguistics, pedagogy, sociology, culture sciences, and other disciplines is on cross-cultural interaction and language personality. This conclusion is based on studies of

communicative skill, the association between multilingualism and psychopathic personality traits, and the relationship between personality types and views of foreign cultures. The explanation of human conduct and the origins of communicative behaviour served as the foundation for the communicative premise of the behaviour.

A proficient user will not only be able to recognise and recognise cultural elements, but will also be able to interact within a culture efficiently. This is more than just cross-cultural competence, which is merely one aspect of cultural competence. A deeper understanding of culture and the variances that exist within it can be attained through the development of language skills that go beyond simple observation and awareness. A more complete comprehension of cultural realities that are operationally important can be attained through the development of language skills that provide individuals with the essential abilities to communicate with cultural actors (Thomson et al., 1999).

The process of learning a language in and of itself can facilitate the development of personality qualities that support effective intercultural engagement regardless of the cultural context. When examining the self-reported ability to "adapt" to a new culture, language skill is often considered less essential than other criteria (Guvercin, 2015). Different studies suggest that language acquisition enhances empathy for other cultures and, through language socialisation, the potential to develop a new cultural identity within the target society. The ability to do so leads to greater general flexibility as well as greater overall efficacy in one's interactions across cultural boundaries.

The acquisition of language competency is a singular educational undertaking that fosters the development of four major components that contribute to an interculturally competent; (!) attitude; (2) knowledge; (3) skills; (4) critical cultural awareness.

Curiosity, openness, and a "willingness to suspend skepticism about other cultures and belief about one's own" are the intercultural attitudes that are fostered by learning a second language. Knowledge is familiarity, general or specialised, with how social groupings and identities within a culture relate to and interact with one another. With this kind of knowledge, an interculturally competent will not only be able to comprehend the norms of interaction that exist within a culture, but also the drivers of those norms and the social constraints that shape them (Hanks, 2010).

Learning a language develops a skill set that goes beyond analysing cultures using universal models. It teaches the user how to uncover the expectations of speakers in each given contact and how to use that information to accomplish personal goals with elegance and efficiency by conforming to cultural norms of etiquette and communication.

They learn to communicate clearly. This collection of abilities is not region-specific because an interpreter can be used in places where a person lacks language expertise. It's everywhere. An interculturally effective soldier has cultural sensitivity. This person is conscious of his or her own values and how they affect his or her opinions and interpretations of others' values.

Fluency in a language requires developing introspection and self-awareness. Although studying a language involves a specialised language and region-specific information, many of its benefits are transferrable in different cultural settings. Given these qualities, language proficiency shouldn't be categorised as regional (Ward & Ward, 2003).

Language proficiency may take longer to acquire and maintain, but the process can help build the character traits needed for good international relations. Such personality traits aren't just important for teaching a regional language (Simon, 2003). These characteristics are suggestive of attitudes, knowledge, abilities, and awareness that are truly transferable, useful, and applicable in culture-general circumstances as well. Cross-cultural training, cultural

"universals," and relevant cultural features are valuable and important, but they shouldn't be prioritised. Language proficiency, cross-cultural competence, and regional expertise all contribute to intercultural effectiveness. Without these three, cross-cultural productivity is impossible.

Cross-cultural Communication Challenges

Culture can be understood in many ways. "Culture" refers to shared experiences that shape a group's or community's worldview. It includes our gender, race, and country of origin. It includes the groups we join. If we move to a new part of the world, our socioeconomic status changes, or we become disabled, we may pick up new cultural aspects. When we consider culture broadly, we realise we're all members of multiple cultures (Thomson et al., 1999). Culture influences how we see, interpret, and express ourselves. When people from different cultures work together, cultural variances are inevitable. We can misunderstand each other and react in ways that harm productive partnerships. Our culture influences us without our knowing. Sometimes we're unaware that our cultural beliefs or assumptions differ from others' (Porter, 1996)

Research that takes place across more than one language is referred to as "cross-lingual research." It can specifically refer to any of the following scenarios; (1) Researchers working with individuals in a non-native language; (2) Researchers working with individuals in a non-native language; (3) Research or findings translation; (4) Researchers and participants are bilingual.

However, both the procedure for conducting the research and the outcomes are geared toward those who understand English (Guvercin, 2015).

Cross-language issues are becoming a greater cause for worry in all types of research that use methodological approaches, but they present a unique set of challenges for qualitative researchers. It aims to explain human behaviour by inducing meanings from people's behaviour, behaviours, and connections. The purpose is to get fresh insights on life through exploring the breadth, depth, and complexity of human phenomenon (Bhabha, 2012).

In the context of comparing cultures, there is no methodological consensus that has formed. For instance, how the inconsistent or inappropriate employment of translators or interpreters may undermine the credibility of cross-language qualitative research and the applicability of the translated findings to the communities with whom the research was performed. As a result, in order to address the methodological issues that translators and interpreters present in a crosslanguage context, which can reduce the data's credibility and undermine the overall integrity of the study, it is necessary to describe the significant role of translation in research, emphasising that language is not merely a tool or technical label for communicating concepts (Keysar et al., 2012). In actuality, language integrates values and beliefs and conveys the cultural, social, and political connotations of the examined social reality. To address the methodological challenges that translators and interpreters face. In the same vein, it has been noted that same words can have entirely different connotations depending on the society in which they are employed. In light of this, it is crucial to pay close attention to how researchers characterise the use of translators and/or interpreters, as this demonstrates their skill in addressing language as a methodological issue (Training & Center, 2007).

Following is a description of six major patterns of cultural differences, or ways in which cultures, in their entirety, tend to vary from one another. The descriptions highlight some of the recurrent factors that contribute to challenges in bridging cultural gaps in communication.

There are six primary facets that define cultural differences; (1) Variable Methods of Interpersonal Communication; (2) Divergent Approaches to Dealing with Conflict; (3)

Variations on Methods Employed When Completing Tasks; (4) Variations in Methods of Making Decisions; (5) Different Attitudes Toward Disclosure; (6) Variations in Methods of Acquiring Knowledge (Oakes, 2001).

Communication Problems That Occur Between Different Cultures Due to Language Barriers

When you live in a nation where the language you speak is not the primary language of the country, it can be challenging to communicate effectively with people who do not speak your language. The most frequent source of language barriers is when speakers of different languages cannot understand one another, resulting in a breakdown in language and communication. Physical language issues such as stuttering, articulation dysfunction, and hearing loss may contribute to their development. People who do a lot of traveling or who reside in an area that has a lot of people from other countries could have difficulty communicating due to language problems. They have the potential to give rise to needless misconceptions, and as a result, many people are prone to easily become annoyed or irritated, which can even lead to conflict. Individuals' levels of knowledge are also hampered by language barriers. In point of fact, they have a significant influence on our life, and it may be impossible to totally free ourselves of them. However, the language barrier is one of the most significant challenges that the majority of people are encountering as a result of the increasing globalization of the world (Simon, 2003).

The good news is that barriers caused by language can be accommodated and overcome. However, in order to achieve the glory that comes with shattering barriers, its people need to put in the work necessary to adapt to the new culture and concentrate on learning about it. In order to overcome differences in culture and language, both parties need to put in some effort.

The work done to accommodate a variety of needs and to provide diversity training. All of the individuals will be on the same page as a result of this, and everyone will be held to the same standard. as a result of the fact that it is also capable of making a difference by serving as a model in each and every encounter and conversation (Hanks, 2010).

It is one thing to develop self-assurance when speaking a foreign language; it is an entirely different struggle to become proficient in the culture of another country. In practice, misunderstandings between coworkers and people of different cultures, as well as a failure to communicate, result in uncertainty, mistrust, and a disruption of production.

Conclusion

Communication uses language as a medium to convey ideas and information. It is of paramount importance in gaining an appreciation for the many different ideas connected to a particular community. The use of language as a tool for communication helps to foster interaction between individuals. On the other hand, it has been observed that a better understanding of oneself and more accurate preconceptions can be gained through the use of language. [5] In the context of multiple cultures coexisting in close proximity, the ability to communicate fluently and easily with those from other communities is critical to overcoming social barriers. However, not knowing the native language does not prevent people from interacting with one another.

The world is now more interconnected than ever before. There has been a rise in the acceptability of a global culture that is driven by languages that are recognized on a worldwide scale and that are used as the basis of interactions in a variety of international venues. Even though communication through language is essential for interactions between cultures, there are numerous ways in which globalization and technological advancement have opened up additional channels for such exchanges. Therefore, it is feasible to pursue higher education in

a foreign nation without first becoming fluent in the language (Salmoni & Holmes-Eber, 2008) as In addition to its function as a medium of communication, language also serves as a marker or indicator of the cultural identity of the speaker. During the course of the encounter, a certain language will be utilized, which will convey the identity. Certain sorts of idioms are used to express belonging to a group; nevertheless, these same terms can also be used to exclude, segregate, or discriminate against individuals (Guvercin, 2015).

Addressing the topic of communication between cultures, this provides a basic overview of culture and how it might make interpersonal communication more difficult. Culture is something that may be learned and shared, as well as being dynamic, systematic, and symbolic.

In addition to this, it uncovered the distinction between multicultural, cross-cultural, and intercultural approaches, in addition to discovering various new terms such as diplomatic, ethnocentric, and in-groups and out-groups.

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