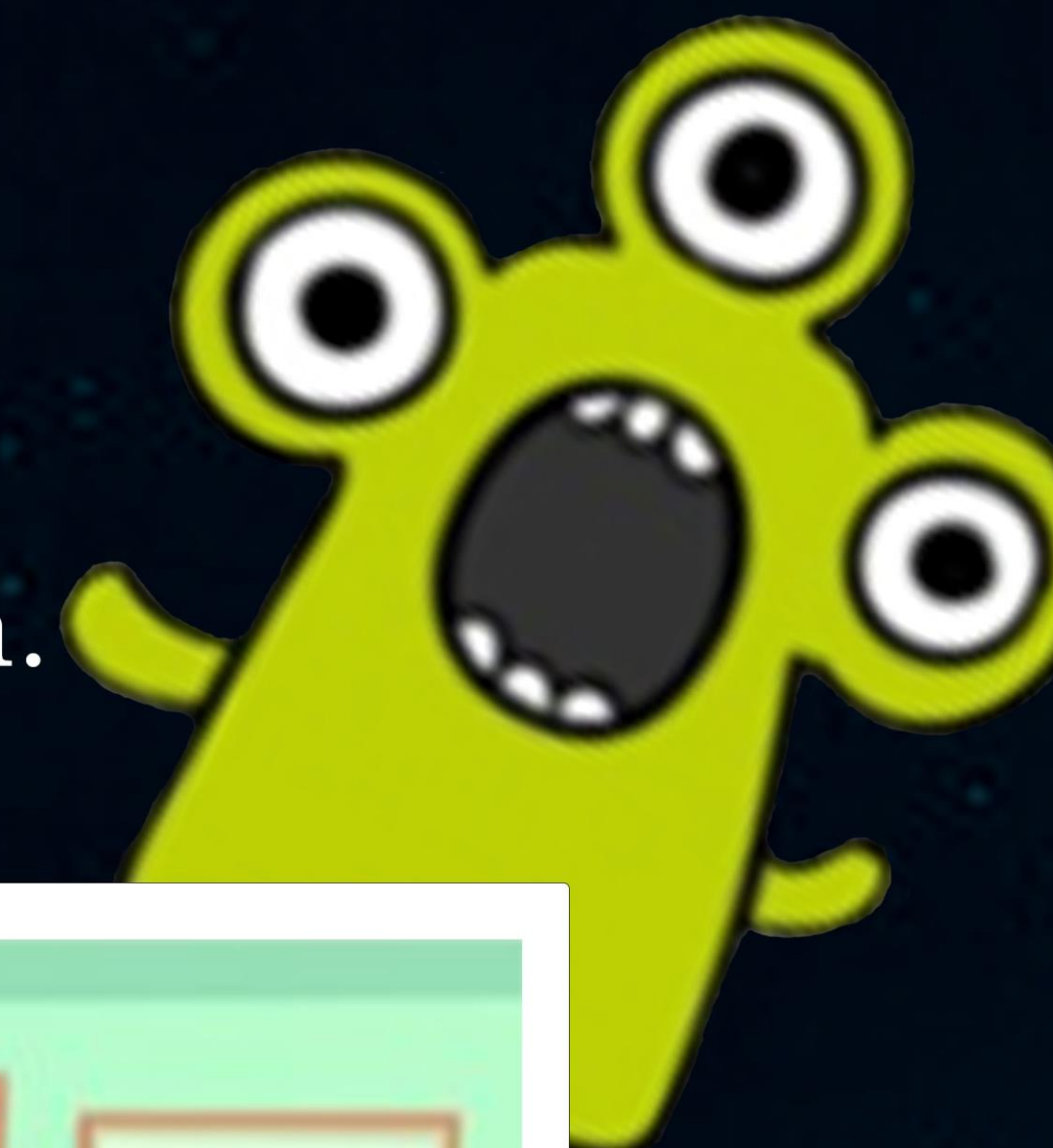


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8-10

Chomsky's Language Adventures

In this edition of Chomsky's Language Adventures, Chomsky goes to English school but still wants to speak Martian.



Hello, my name is Chomsky! Nice to meet you. I live on Mars and I speak Martian and English. I'm starting a new school on Planet Earth and I'm a bit scared. I don't want the other children to think I am different because I speak Martian and English.

Many children who speak more than one language are scared that it will be hard for them to make friends at school because they are different. Chomsky is going to show you that speaking two languages means that you can make even more friends!



Hi everyone! I'm Chomsky and I'm from Mars. Do you want to learn more about Martian?

Mars sounds so cool!

I'd love to learn some Martian!

When children from immigrant families go to an English-speaking school, they can find it difficult to speak their home language with their new friends. Chomsky is going to show you that being bilingual is something to be proud of. When he goes home to his parents, he will be so happy that he didn't stop speaking Martian when he started English school.



Vivir - To live
Comer - To eat
Bebé - To drink

Wow Spanish is so much fun!
¡Qué guay!

Chomsky finds Spanish class in his new school a lot easier than he thought. This is because he can already speak two languages. Knowing more than one language makes it easier to learn new ones!



I don't like you because you are different! You are not the same as me!

Monolingual children can easily be intimidated by foreign cultures for them being different and unfamiliar. However, with an informative introduction to how multilinguals are different can help in understanding that they are not so different. Here, Chomsky should look to show the boy that they are not that different. It is also important for Chomsky to show that being different does not mean bad.



"Mum, Dad I had such a good time on Earth! I had a Spanish class and I found it really easy! It was really easy to make friends and everybody wanted to know about my life here on Mars and what it's like to be Martian! There was one boy that didn't like me at first because I was different but we were friends by the end of the day!"

People that can speak more than one language sometimes find that this helps them with other things in life, just like Chomsky, he found Spanish class really easy. This is because languages help your brain learn new things. Although the boy in his class didn't like him at first because he was different, Chomsky managed to explain to him that speaking more than one language isn't a bad thing, in fact, it can help you to make new friends that are from different and cool places!



Wow, that went so well!

Chomsky is so happy that he made lots of friends and found learning easy! He is really happy that he can speak to his friends from Planet Earth in English and his mum and dad in Martian!