

QUESTIONNAIRE

This survey is concerned with the Welsh language and English language relationship. The information gathered will be used for the grade thesis and is entirely anonymous. The thesis is dealing with the language situation in Wales and its sustainability. Please answer all of the questions to the best of your ability. Thank you very much for your time and willingness to participate.

If it is possible, indicate your profession and your age, please: **15 years, student.**

QUESTIONS

1. Do you speak Welsh?

Yes

2. Does someone in your family speak Welsh?

Yes

3. Was it obligatory for you to learn the Welsh language at school? If yes, how long did you learn it and how did you feel about it?

Yes, in in a welsh speaking school now. I've spoke welsh since starting school at 3 years old.

4. Do people in your region usually speak Welsh and how do you feel about using this language?

No, it's not common to her much welsh spoken. I only really speak welsh in school because not many others understand the language.

5. Do you or someone you know support the Welsh language resurrection, if so - how?

Encourage younger children at school to speak welsh. Speak welsh out of school as well as in school.

6. What do you think about the Welsh language future?

I think it will become more commonly spoken as more and more children are learning the language and encouraged to use the language.

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My three siblings and my father.

3. Was it obligatory for you to learn the Welsh language at school? If yes, how long did you learn it and how did you feel about it?

I went to a Welsh school where every subject was taught through the medium of Welsh from when I was 4 years old to when I was 18 years old- we were not allowed to speak English. I enjoyed it but felt a bit constricted at the time. Looking back I can see that it was a great opportunity and was very good for my development and for job opportunities later on.

4. Do people in your region usually speak Welsh and how do you feel about using this language?

A few people now and then, the Welsh language schools are very popular in the area that I live. I live in Swansea if you travel further West the use of the language is more common (in Camarthenshire for example). When I hear it I feel good, I like to speak it to practice. Sometimes however I feel embarrassed because my Welsh is at a lower standard than others as I do not have the chance to speak it often.

5. Do you or someone you know support the Welsh language resurrection, if so - how?

I think many people support it. My teachers all felt very strongly on the issue. I have two friends who teach Welsh to older pupils who wish to learn in Cardiff University. One of my friends also sees teaching Welsh as an opportunity to integrate migrants into Welsh society. I also try to use every opportunity to use

the Welsh language on any forms or bank services which are bilingual so that bilingual services are not cut or put into disuse.

6. What do you think about the Welsh language future?

I think it has a very strong future. A greater proportion of Welsh people speak their native language (Welsh) than any other Celtic nation. It has become increasingly popular to send you children to a Welsh school even if you don't speak the language. I think it is easier to be a part of Welsh culture if you speak Welsh as many forms of Welsh culture like the Mabinogi or the Eisteddfod can only be enjoyed through the medium of Welsh.

Bethan Pfeiffer, Age 21, History Student in Swansea University

Theatre director and actor

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3. Was it obligatory for you to learn the Welsh language at school? If yes, how long did you learn it and how did you feel about it?

Yes. About 15 years. I enjoyed Welsh and thought it was important to use it because its the language of Wales.

4. Do people in your region usually speak Welsh and how do you feel about using this language?

English is more common but lots speak Welsh every day. Same as above.

5. Do you or someone you know support the Welsh language resurrection, if so - how?

The Welsh language isn't dead.

6. What do you think about the Welsh language future?"

I believe more and more people will learn Welsh as a second language. I think this is bad because the amount of first language Welsh speakers will diminish. It's likely that it will become an "official" language used mainly in education/in the workplace.

I'm a student at Cardiff Uni studying History and English Lit. I got forwarded your request. here are the answers.

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2. Does someone in your family speak Welsh?

My mother and my sister are also speakers. My father learnt the language.

3. Was it obligatory for you to learn the Welsh language at school? If yes, how long did you learn it and how did you feel about it?

Yes It was obligatory. It meant that I'm now fully bilingual and skilled in both languages equally. I studied both Welsh and English literatures at A LEVEL and carried on studying some modules at University in Welsh. People make out we're at a disadvantage if we have a Welsh education, however, I'm reading English Lit at a good university so obviously not. I think a bilingual education is great especially here in Wales.

4. Do people in your region usually speak Welsh and how do you feel about using this language? I live in quite a high percentage welsh first language area - Carmarthenshire.

I'm just as comfortable speaking welsh as I am speaking English seeing it is my first language.

5. Do you or someone you know support the Welsh language resurrection, if so - how?

No sure exactly what this means. But I guess so. I'd argue it's already happened here because most kids are bilingual, including road signs, government papers and offices, letters etc.

6. What do you think about the Welsh language future?"

If it goes on like it is now with growing schools etc. it'll grow and hopefully not suffer the same fate as other Celtic languages.

Hi I am from Cardiff in south Wales and these are my answers to your survey

1. yes

2. yes

3. yes, 14 years, great

4. not really, wish we spoke more welsh

5. yes, teaches welsh to adults

6. I hope it grows

20 years old

1. Yes

2. All my family speak welsh

3. Yes. learned all through school- loved it

4. most speak welsh- i use it as my everyday language- though while in uni students dont speak as much welsh. I love speaking welsh

5. Yes- the welsh language is not dead yet. My family protest fr the rights of the welsh language. Do our best to promote its use. Have learners and bigginers welsh class in church.

6. I think at some point maybe in the far future that it would be spoken by everybody in wales. It should be like any other native language. It should be taught to and expected of everybody who lives in Wales."

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I went to a welsh medium school. Sometimes i was happy about it , when it was difficult, i wasnt always happy about it. Now i'm very pleased i speak welsh i even work through welsh.

4. Do people in your region usually speak Welsh and how do you feel about using this language?

some people in my region yes. i love speaking welsh.

5. Do you or someone you know support the Welsh language resurrection, if so - how?

I dont understand the question, but my children will go to welsh medium school.

6. What do you think about the Welsh language future?"

I think its good. it continues to grow and is an advantage if you want to work in Wales.

I'm 32 and work as a speech and language therapist.

Age 20, shop assistant

1. yes

2. yes

3. yep, one was a welsh school so i had to! others had lessons. Primary school was bilingual. Probably where it settled in, for me

4. Not much in cbay tbh. Mostly the old people and they always comment on the fact I speak welsh as a really positive thing. They wish more people did. I loove speaking it.

Wish there was more people around where i live to speak it to!

5. yes i support it... dunno what i could do though except speak it and teach my kids.. which i will hopefully doo

6. I think it'll carry on tbh. I know a lot of people.... especially those in the more rural area.. who are really proud of it and think of english as a second langage!

soo hope fully be here for years to come!!

1. No I don`t speak welsh

2. Both my children speak welsh and two of my granchildern

3. I was taught welsh up until the ages of 12.

4. Not very offeten. But if my children meet someone who they know that speakes welsh they speak toeach other in welsh.

5. My youngest daughter who is 20. Is a class room assitance in the local welsh school. She hope the do teacher training throught midium of welsh

6. I think there is a future in the lanugage.

I am 41 years old. As a child wanted to go to the local welsh school. I have taking welsh lession in the past. I work with young adult on the autism spertrum''

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I don't

2. Does someone in your family speak Welsh?

yes my nana and my dad

3. Was it obligatory for you to learn the Welsh language at school? If yes, how long did you learn it and how did you feel about it?

I learned it all the way through school,until year 10

4. Do people in your region usually speak Welsh and how do you feel about using this language?

no

5. Do you or someone you know support the Welsh language resurrection, if so - how?

yes, my cousin is the manager for the seven stars in wrexham, which is a pub trying to help keep the welsh language alive.

6. What do you think about the Welsh language future?"

i hope it stays alive and more and more of the welsh public learn to speak it, as it would be a great loss to lose are national language "

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Not fluently I speak basic welsh.

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3. Was it obligatory for you to learn the Welsh language at school? If yes, how long did you learn it and how did you feel about it?

Yes as a second language I didnt mind

4. Do people in your region usually speak Welsh and how do you feel about using this language?

In my local town there are not many people who speak welsh which I feel is a shame as we are Welsh people and should be able to speak the local language

5. Do you or someone you know support the Welsh language resurrection, if so - how?

Not sure

6. What do you think about the Welsh language future?"

I think it will exist in some regions of Wales but should be encouraged more "

1. **Yes**

2. **Yes - my dad and my brother.**

3. **I didn't go to school but it would have been if I did.**

4. **Yes, most people speak it as a first language. I like using it, but am sometimes worried my Welsh isn't very good!**

5. **Yes, by speaking Welsh where I can.**

6. **Honestly don't know - I think it depends totally on us current Welsh speakers. I think it could be extinct within a generation if we're not careful to preserve it but I also think if we make an effort it could make a real come-back. "**

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