

Indonesian

What is this subject about?

Using Language

Students will develop a knowledge and understanding of the listening, reading, speaking and writing skills necessary for effective interaction in Indonesian.

Making Linguistic Connections

Students will explore the nature of languages as systems by making comparisons between Indonesian and English, leading to an appreciation of the correct application of linguistic structures and vocabulary.

Moving Between Cultures

Students will develop knowledge of the culture of Indonesian-speaking communities and an understanding of the interdependence of language and culture, thereby encouraging reflection on their own cultural heritage.

Why study this subject?

Moving between countries, cultures and languages is now commonplace because of globalisation, increased ease of travel and advanced information and communication technologies. A high-quality education in languages enables students to respond positively to the opportunities and challenges of our rapidly changing world.

Indonesian is a non-tonal language with a Romanised script and regular phonetic pronunciation. The consistency between sound and written forms makes it easy for speakers of English to predict how to say, read or write Indonesian words

The ability to communicate in Indonesian provides incentives for travel and for more meaningful interactions with speakers of Indonesian

The study of Indonesian in Kindergarten to Year 10 may be the basis for further study of one of the differentiated Indonesian syllabuses available for study in Stage 6, and for future employment, within Australia and internationally, in areas such as commerce, tourism, entertainment, hospitality, education, sport, visual arts, performing arts and international relations.

Learning experiences

Students are offered a wide range of experiences in speaking and listening activities, along with opportunities to engage in cultural activities. These are all provided to support the development of language skills.