



**[ 3 ] How important is it to know a foreign language as a diplomat?**

- Knowing a foreign language is very important for diplomats, because it offers many benefits. By learning the language of the country they are in, they can learn about the culture, history, and ways of thinking in the country. Furthermore, they can communicate well with the people there.
- English is widely spoken as an international language not only in the field of diplomacy, but also in other fields. It is very important for non-native English speakers to learn English.

**[ 4 ] How do diplomats collect information? How do they analyze it accurately? And how do they make decisions?**

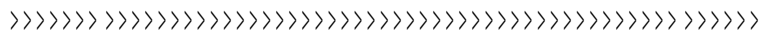
- They think the Internet is a useful tool for collecting information and doing research, but talking to people is also very valuable. When they talk with people, they feel that they gain a deeper understanding of a topic.
- They have to analyze limited amounts of information and make wise decisions. It is important to communicate with people around them and ask for their advice.
- They can get a lot of information from the Internet, but there is also a lot of misinformation or disinformation. It is important for them to evaluate the information and develop trusted sources they can rely on.

**[ 5 ] After this session, has your image of diplomats changed? Please explain how your image has changed.**

- My image of diplomats was that they were like heroes in movies who worked around the world and solved difficult international problems alone. But after today's session, I learned diplomats worked in teams and collaborated with each other. I thought teamwork and communication skills were very important for them.
- My image of diplomats was that they negotiated with politicians about international problems at conferences. However, I learned that they also interacted with people in foreign countries and told people about their own country's culture, policy and the values their country prized. I thought they were working not only for their own country, but also for the peace of the world.
- In this session, I found they studied foreign languages very hard. I learned we came to know a country's culture, customs and the people by studying the language.



## Wrap up the session!



[ 1 ] The following is a summary of the session. Write down the appropriate words in the blanks in the passage.

Diplomats are people who help to create and facilitate a stronger ( **relationship** ) with a ( **foreign** ) country. They ( **represent** ) their country and show the best side of their country to other people around the world. They meet and work with people who have different ( **cultural** ) and ( **language** ) backgrounds. It is important for them to have an ( **open** ) ( **mind** ) and to be careful how they ( **express** ) themselves, because other people may have a different way of thinking and a different ( **perspective** ). It is also important for them to study foreign languages. By learning the language of the country they are dealing with, they learn about the ( **culture** ) and ( **habits** ) of that country. Therefore, they can easily ( **communicate** ) with the people of that country. They ( **encourage** ) young people to study English, because English is the common ( **international** ) language and is useful in communication and ( **collaboration** ) in many fields in global society. Collecting information is one of their important jobs. Today they can easily get a lot of information on the ( **Internet** ). However, there is also a lot of ( **misinformation** ) and disinformation. It is hard to ( **analyze** ) it and make ( **decisions** ). In order to make appropriate decisions, they think they should communicate well with people around them and develop ( **trusted** ) ( **sources** ) that they can rely on.