

## Why Mandarin?

-Mandarin stimulates different regions of the brain, fostering neurological development, it activates the right-hemisphere of the brain which is not activated in speakers of English. <sup>1 2</sup>

-Mandarin makes you more musical – Tonal language! <sup>3</sup>

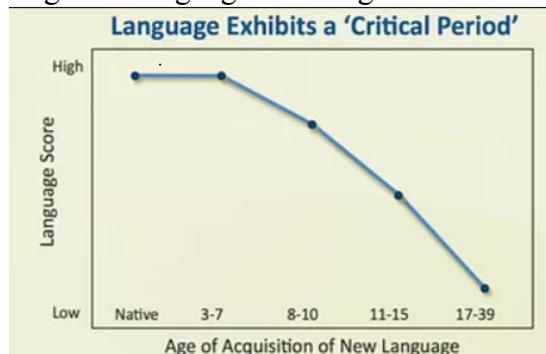
-1.5 billion people speak Mandarin.

-China's growing clout in all aspects of the Global Marketplace.

-SVO's and the Information age

## Why at an early age?

### Logic of Language Learning



AND to get a head start!

## How can I promote my child's Mandarin learning?

-Review with child using Newsletters

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<sup>2</sup> Cross-language differences in the brain network subserving intelligible speech Jianqiao Ge, Gang Peng, Bingjiang Lyu, Yi Wang, Yan Zhuo, Zhendong Niu, Li Hai Tan, Alexander P. Leff and Jia-Hong Gao *PNAS* 2015 March, 112 (10) 2972-2977. <https://doi.org/10.1073/pnas.1416000112>

<sup>3</sup> <https://www.sciencedaily.com/releases/2017/01/170118163756.htm>

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- Watch learning videos on Youtube and my website<sup>4</sup>
- Camps, tutors, language schools
- Ask child to teach you!
- Learn with them – ChinesePod.com, Duolingo
- Mandarin Club, Tai Chi Club

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<sup>4</sup> [www.northshoremandarin.com/videos](http://www.northshoremandarin.com/videos)