

Re: Let's talk about langages (Advice/Help)

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I think it is better to complete learning a foreign language and become fluent and able to understand the news on TV before starting to learn another one. Being able to understand a few words is cool, but not as useful as managing a normal conversation with individuals.

> >>1) *Does it matter that you can't understand audio?*
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> > *If you ever wish to converse in the language, yes, it matters a lot.*
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> *You misunderstand. I realize the importance of all three areas*
> *(listening, reading, and speaking) I mean for learning purposes, at an*
> *early stage, should I be trying to listen to streams of RAI even if I*
> *don't understand it well enough?*

Yes, but it is better if you have a written copy of what they say. A combination of hearing and reading provides you with both auditive and visual memory of the words and phrases as well as pronunciation. For me, it made me learn at least 3 times faster with a teacher and practicing dialog then just reading self-learning language books. And I had to changed dramatically my pronunciation of russian words. But the top of learning methods is immersion. When you really have to make big efforts to communicate, you learn extremely quickly.