

## 6524 - Is it waajib (obligatory) for non-Arabs to learn Arabic?

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### the question

Is it compulsory to learn arabic language for the non-speaker of the language of the moslems ?  
And is it Wajib, Mustahab or something else ?

### Detailed answer

We put the following question to Shaykh 'Abd-Allaah ibn Jibreen:

Is it obligatory for non-Arabs to learn Arabic?

He, may Allaah preserve him, replied as follows:

They have to learn as much as they need for Islamic purposes, how to pronounce the words and what they mean, such as the Takbeer, al-Faatihah and al-Tasbeehaat – those that are obligatory in the prayer and for other duties.