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## Languages and Literatures: Conclusion

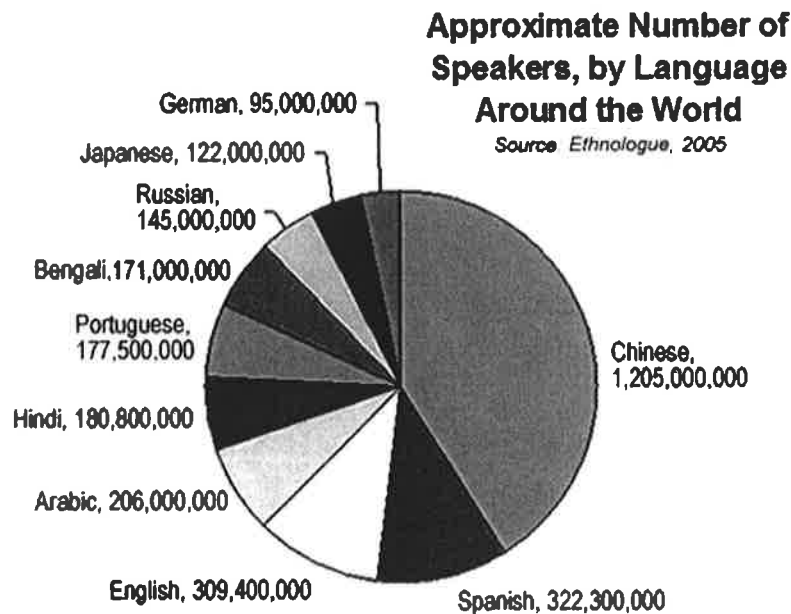
Or

### What is Language Anyway?

*Litost Czech – Milan Kundera, author of The Unbearable Lightness of Being, remarked that, “As for the meaning of this word, I have looked in vain in other languages for an equivalent, though I find it difficult to imagine how anyone can understand the human soul without it.” The closest definition is a state of agony and torment created by the sudden sight of one’s own misery.*

**Language a :** the words, their pronunciation, and the methods of combining them used and understood by a community

**b (1) :** audible, articulate, meaningful sound as produced by the action of the vocal organs **(2) :** a systematic means of communicating ideas or feelings by the use of conventionalized signs, sounds, gestures, or marks having understood meanings (Webster’s)



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