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## My Multilingualism Has Changed My Future

I live in a multilingual universe, and this is how I imagine myself. This universe depends on being able to find the bonds and cross the bridges that connect us across our diversity. Language can divide us, but multilingualism helps us build the bridges to our united future. Because I am multilingual, I will be able to follow my dreams and enjoy the many dreams of my friends. The world will be mine, and there will be no limits to my dreams. Being multilingual will also allow me to communicate with many different people – people who think in different ways, who have their own beautiful dreams, and who are ready to illuminate me with their contributions.

What's more, being multilingual makes me more intelligent. By learning different languages, my brain is transformed. For example, I can write in two languages. I can be more creative and solve problems more easily. All of this will help me make my dreams come true and create the bridges we need to be successful and to live in harmony and peace. And all these benefits apply to my family and community, too. Multilingualism helps us create a world that is more understanding and more capable of solving the big dilemmas that we face today and in the future.

Being multilingual gives us special power. We can use our words like weapons to defeat our problems. We can use our multilingual vocabulary in different ways: to explain, to convince, to read, to understand, to clarify, to interpret, to reveal, and to illustrate. We can be poets and with our words, we can paint a new universe. In conclusion, I would like to share a poem with you that I wrote to communicate how important I feel it is to be multilingual.

### *Being Multilingual Changes My Future*

Like a hummingbird that sings its scarlet song in the air,  
I hear the voices of my community like a natural symphony  
Of many rhythmic and marvelous languages.

Being multilingual is the best thing for my dear community.  
Elegant and ecological, it provides us with an excellent education.  
Smiling, we learn the benefits of bilingualism.

Welcome to my community and to Spanish and Arabic and so much more.  
We inspire ourselves to be more intelligent.  
With our imagination, we light up the nighttime darkness  
And invent new ways of living and sharing together.  
No one can tell us that multilingualism isn't worth it.  
My generation is global, and our geography doesn't have any borders.  
United by our diversity, we know how to fight.  
We write our own electric future.

With my family's help, I speak better Spanish.  
I hug the tasty syllables of my language.  
My heart is bigger when I speak Spanish,  
And it dances in impressive celebration inside my body.  
I hope it never stops dancing like that.  
I reach beyond today and learn Arabic.  
The sounds swirl with its elegant calligraphy  
And like a magic carpet fly me over new lands,  
New vistas, new worlds.

My community also dances with many brilliant languages.  
Ideas paint the sky like the colors of a rainbow,  
Forming the future world that waits for us,  
Unique and shining. It's a kaleidoscope,  
A dramatic treasure that changes without end.  
United, my community promises us a good life.  
It recognizes its responsibility to fight  
For opportunities for us.

Being multilingual has changed my future.  
Being multilingual, I have changed my future.