

What can you do for your language

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You can write your language

- Yes, you can read and write your language on computers, however..
- can you can select your language in a wordprocessor ?
- do you know how to identify your language for your text ?
- Does an Internet search allow you to restrict to your language ?

Identify your language

- When a text is KNOWN to be in your language, algorithms do not have to get it wrong
- Even with only a minimal amount of content, search in your language makes your language more useable
- Most applications do not support the languages it does not know

The wordprocessor knows your language

- It will not annoy you with spelling errors for another language
- It knows attributes of your language
- It knows how to sort, how to show a date a number FOR YOUR LANGUAGE
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Standards

- When sufficient information is known for a language, word processors can work for your language
- It needs to know about your language
 - What script(s) does it use
 - What is the date and number format
 - How is text sorted
 - ...

CLDR

- The CLDR is a Unicode standard
- It includes the necessary information to support a language
- Wikipedia supports more languages than the CLDR
- We use CLDR information for MediaWiki and, we want to support all languages.
- **HELP**

Language support team

- We need people who can support us with information about their language
 - They can help us with standard information
 - They can help us point out issues with their language
 - They can test our language technology before it goes live on our Wikis
 - They can localise software for their language .. including MediaWiki ..