> 上外版 高二年级 必选二 第二单元 第4 课时
> 学案 (学生版)

## 课时学习目标：

能依据视听内容获取内容要点和支撑性论据；
能借助问题中的关键提示词获取相关细节；
能理解多模态资源所传达的不同学习者的经历。

## I．Reading and answering the questions：

| Questions | Answers |
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| 1．How many living languages are there in the world now？ |  |
| 2．How many languages will have disappeared by the end of the |  |
| century？ |  |
| 3．What will happen if a language disappears？ |  |

## II．Listening（Saving Critically Endangered Languages in Australia）

1．Listen and fill in the blanks with proper numbers．


2．Listen again and complete the diagram．


## 3．Read the passage and answer the questions．

## The Shanghai Dialect Struggles to Survive in China

Dialects in China have hit a bump in the road because Putonghua is encouraged in daily life. In particular, the number of people speaking the Shanghai dialect is decreasing. A combination of factors, such as the influx of people from other provinces, has led to the decline of the Shanghai dialect.

One of the problems faced by Shanghainese speakers is that few young people know the dialect. Experts in language studies, such as retired Professor Qian Nairong of the Shanghai University, are working to preserve it. Qian published a dictionary of the Shanghai dialect in 2007. Older generations are trying to pass on the language skills to younger generations. *AFP recently reported that Tongji University in Shanghai has organised a voluntary class in the Shanghai dialect, teaching basic Shanghainese so that younger generations and foreigners can converse with elderly Shanghai local people in the Shanghai dialect.

- What problem do Shanghai speakers face?
- What can we do to preserve the Shanghai dialect?
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## III. Viewing (Why Should Students Learn Foreign Languages?)

1. Watch the video clip and complete the table.

| Name | Similarities | Differences |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| John | Both of them like playing basketball. They have similar (1) $\qquad$ | During his free time, John involved himself in (2) $\qquad$ while he also managed to learn (3) $\qquad$ of his choice. |
| Matt |  | $\qquad$ <br> is <br> as , but he wasted most of his time doing nothing, <br> just |

2. Tick the benefits of learning a foreign language based on what you have watched.
$\square$ enhancing a global mindset
$\square$ getting high scores in exams
$\square$ developing the ability to appreciate other culturesimproving thinking and life skills
$\square$ being employed by the best organisations
$\square$ getting into a good college
$\square$ studying in the best universities abroad

## 3. Interactive task

Suppose you were Matt, tell the story between you and John, reflect on yourself and analyze why John succeeded. (Word bank: apply for..., convert...into...., admissions to..., face rejection, involve himself in..., enhance / raise / sharpen / improve)
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## V. Assignments

1. Complete the exercises of Reading and Viewing on pages 27-30 in the workbook.
2. Summarize the benefits of learning a foreign language mentioned in the exercises.
