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Interesting languages facts about the Dutch langua

The main language!

There are many questions in regards to the Flemish language and how is it different from Dutch. We will give you some Flemish language facts to clear things up. With three-fifths of the population being native speakers, Dutch is considered to be the majority language in Belgium. Dutch speakers mostly living on the Flemish Region have created the Dutch variety commonly referred to as "Flemish".



Quick Flemish language facts

The usage of the word "Flemish" to refer to the Dutch variety in Northern Belgium is considered informal. Also, linguistically, the term "Flemish" is used in other different ways such as an indication of any local dialects in the Flanders region, as well as non-standard variations of the Dutch language in the provinces of French Flanders and West Flanders.





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Dialects...

The usage of the Flemish in reference to the Dutch language does not separate it from the Standard Dutch or the other dialects. That's why linguists avoid the term "Flemish" to refer to the Dutch Language preferring the usage of "Flemish Dutch", "Belgian Dutch" or "Southern Dutch". Flemish formally refers to the Flemish Region, which is one of the three official regions of the Kingdom of Belgium.



Flemish Variations!

The Flemish region has four principal variations of the Dutch language: East and West Flemish, Brabantian and Limburgish. While Brabantian is the greatest contributor to the Flemish Dutch tussentaal, only the variations West Flemish and Limburgish are occasionally considered as separate languages.

From the Flemish language facts two conclusions arise: The Flemish is being used actively and it is different from Dutch. When in need for translation services you must state that you want the content translated into Flemish instead of Dutch.

