

Welsh Language Presentation

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A word cloud visualization of the 'Belonging' concept. The word 'belonging' is the largest and most central. Other prominent words include 'identity', 'places', 'relationships', 'participation', 'realisations', 'perception', 'understanding', 'involvement', 'individuality', 'self', 'sharing', 'outlets', 'rejection', 'groups', 'consequences', 'culture', 'growth', 'heritage', 'diversity', 'exclusion', 'development', 'community', 'choices', 'alienation', 'barriers', 'change', 'connection', 'friends', 'family', 'difference', 'inclusion', 'isolation', 'acceptance', 'aliveness', 'challenges', 'conformity', and 'devotion'.

*"The issue of identity and belonging has encompassed humans for many generations and will remain a key turning point for many to come" - **Mind Metaphors***

There are many different types of identity such as:

* **Career Identity:**

> Lawyer, nurse, environmentalist, politician, etc.

* **Family Identity:**

> Father, mother, younger brother, older sister, twin, nephew, cousin, etc.

* **Skills Identity**

> Athletic, intelligent, leader, listener, etc.

* **Cultural Identity**

> History, tradition, religion, gender, etc.

* **Social Identity**

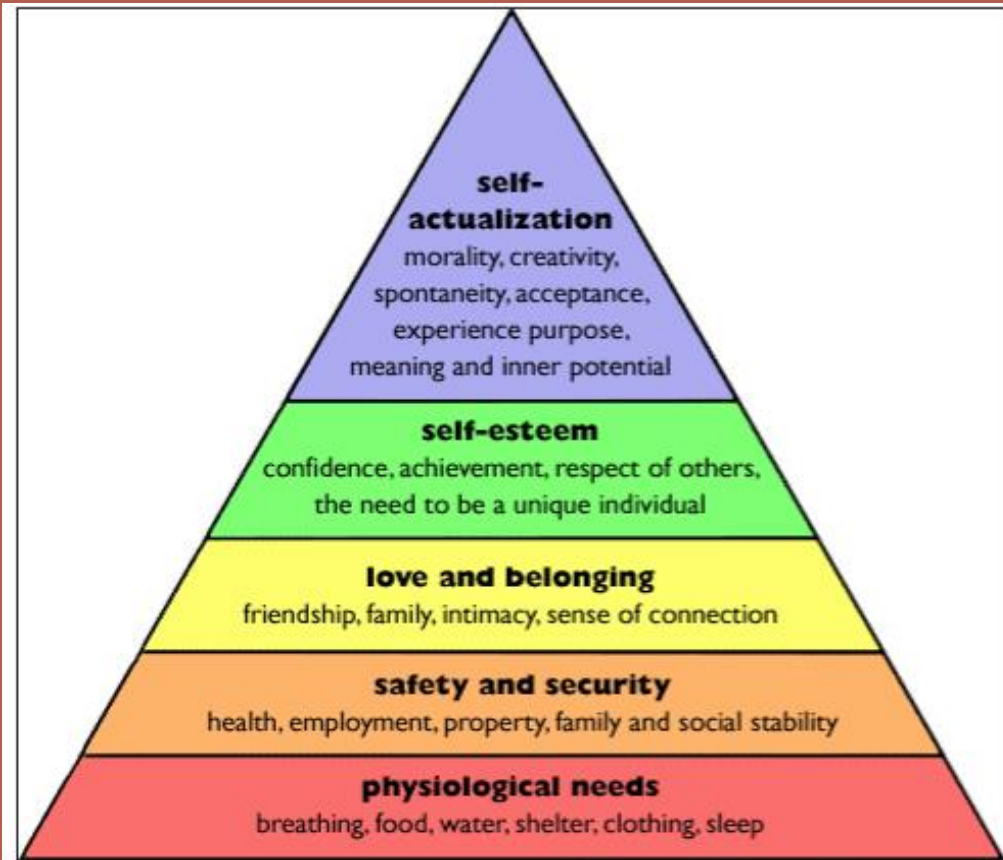
> Peer group, clique, gang, club, mob, social class, etc.

<https://mindmetaphors.weebly.com/identity-and-belonging.html#>



Identity and Belonging

"Who am I?" "Do I fit in?"
"Am I who I make myself,
or who I am made by others?"
"Where do I belong?" "Me?"



BELONGING

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Welsh Language in History

Welsh or Cymraeg is spoken by an estimated 23% of the population in Wales. It was spoken by 90% of the population up until the mid 1800's but started to drastically decline due to a variety of factors and problems faced which nearly led to its extinction. It is believed that the welsh language is up to 4000 years old. (Culture Trip)

Welsh Not

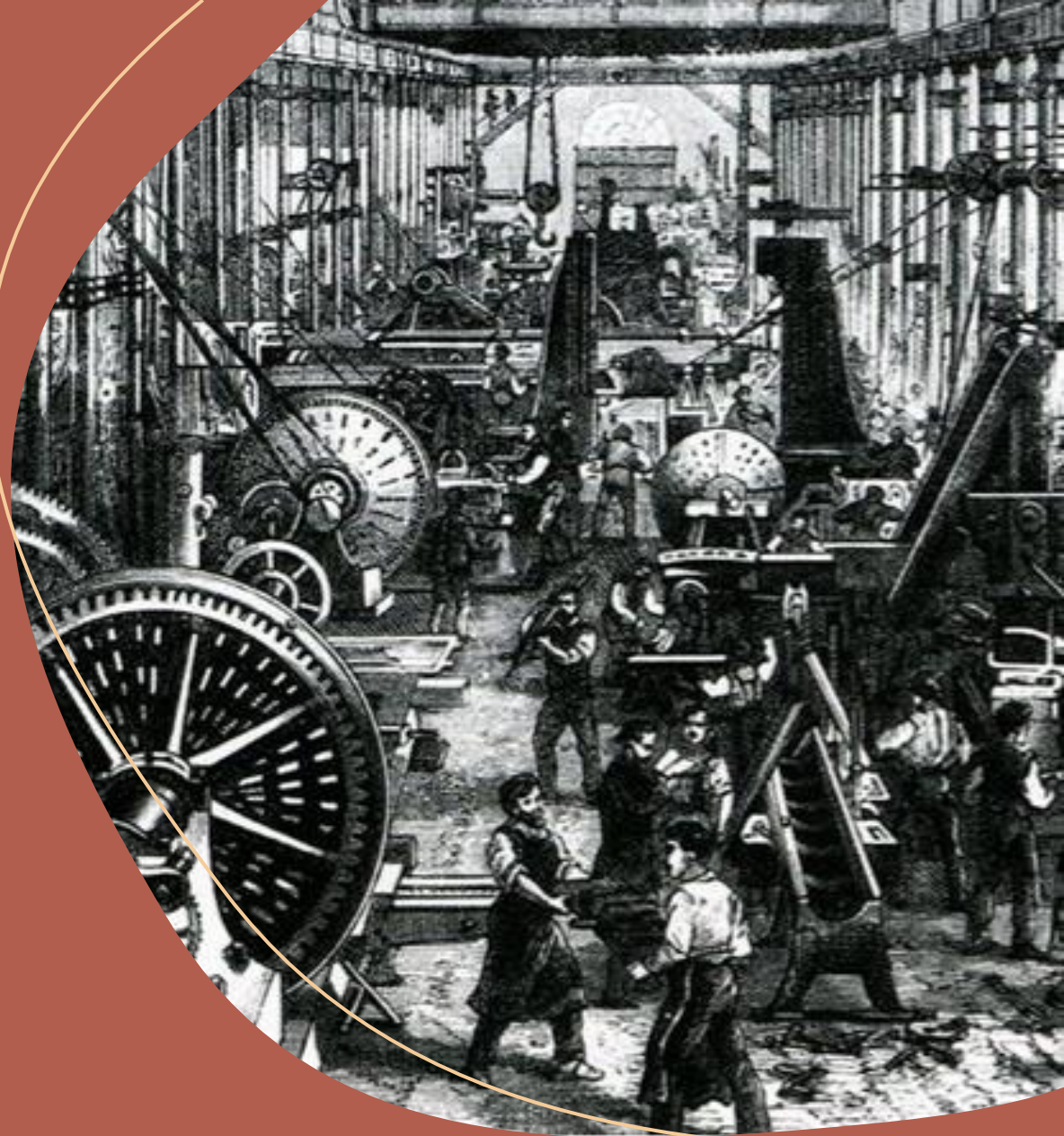
The mid-19th century was a turbulent time for Welsh history. The Welsh were seen by Westminster as being prone to lawlessness and there was a report that the provisions for education in Wales was very poor. Commissioners from England felt that the Welsh language was a drawback and needed to be eradicated. One of the techniques used in schools to stop children speaking Welsh was by giving them a plaque or a stick called the 'Welsh not'. This would be passed onto the next person who got caught speaking Welsh and whoever was the last person to have the Welsh not at the end of the day would be punished. (BBC Wales)



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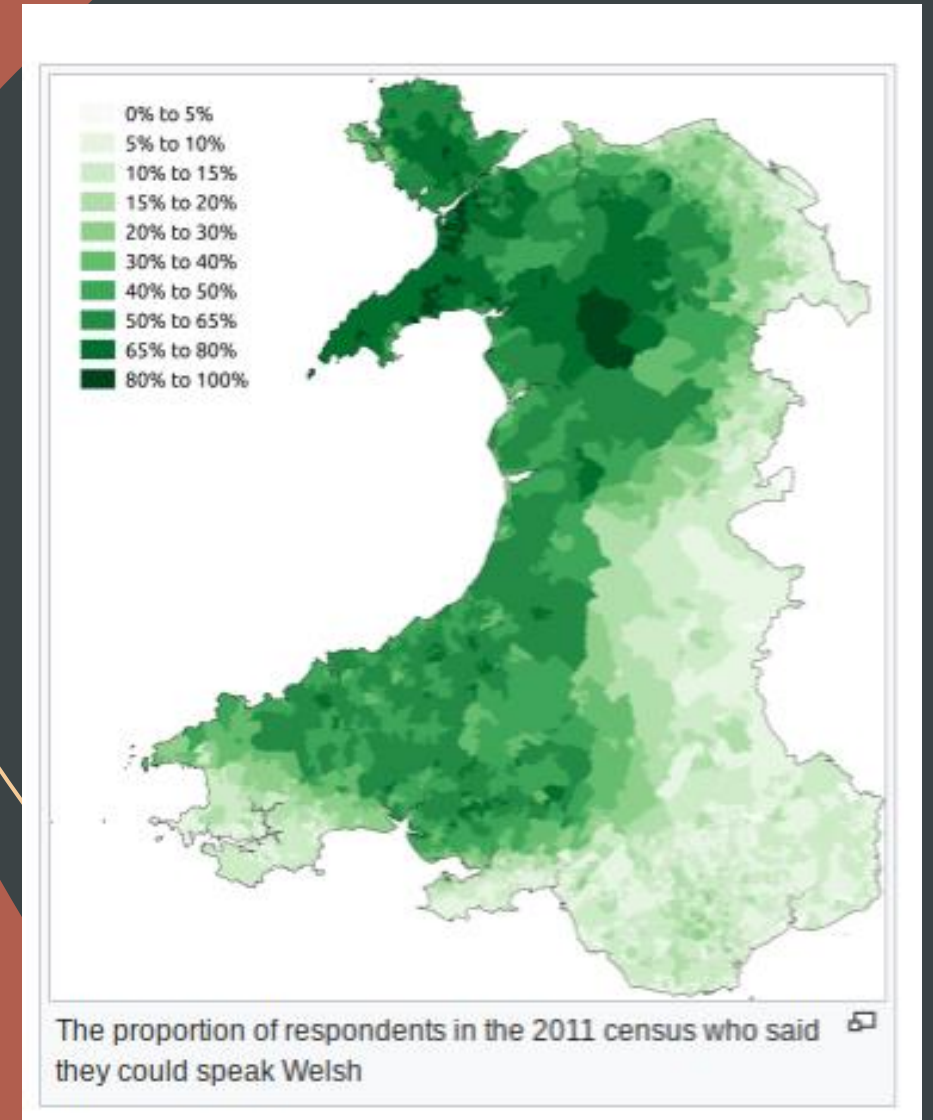
Industrial Revolution

The Industrial Revolution was another barrier faced to the Welsh language as there were a large influx of English-speaking people migrating into Wales and Welsh workplaces dilluting the language over time. Wales was still seen as inferior to England therefore the English language took over. (Culture Trip)



Geography of The Welsh Language

Although Welsh speaking people can be found throughout the whole of Wales, First language Welsh speakers are largely concentrated in the north and west of Wales in places such as Gwynedd, Anglesey, Camarthenshire, Conwy, Denbighshire, Pembrokeshire, Ceredigion and Powys.



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What Can We Do To Save Welsh?

An ambitious goal was announced by the Welsh Government in 2018 that they want to increase the numbers of Welsh speakers in Wales to one million by 2050. Welsh as a subject is compulsory for all students to learn in all Welsh schools from Nursery right up until they leave comprehensive school at 16. Full Welsh speaking schools exist and we have Welsh speaking TV channels and Radio. (Ruilin Ma, December 2019)



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