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Finnish is spoken by about 6 million people worldwide, around 5 million of whom live in Finland itself. Other Finnish-speaking populations exist in Sweden, Russia, the USA, and Canada, amongst others. It is a member of the Finno-Ugric language family, being closely related to Estonian and more distantly so to Hungarian. It's not an Indo-European language such as French or Spanish, and so the majority of words in Finnish will look totally unfamiliar to someone whose mother tongue is English. Introduction to the Finnish language. Finnish is a member of the Finno-Ugric family of languages, unlike most of the other languages spoken in Europe. Therefore, its structure and vocabulary are very different from the Indo-European languages. Do not try to compare Finnish with your mother tongue (unless it happens to be Estonian, which is closely related to Finnish) Instead, empty your mind and take Finnish as it comes " a different but an exciting language! Welcome to study Finnish! NO ARTICLES. Read about the Finnish language, its dialects and find out where it is spoken. Learn about the structure and get familiar with the alphabet and writing. Status. Finnish is statutory national language of Finland. It is spoken by a majority of Finland's population. Finnish is also recognized as a minority language in Sweden and Norway. It is one of the official languages of the European Union. Dialects. Top. Finnish has numerous dialects that are generally divided into Eastern and Western. enPR: fĲnĲsh, IPA(key): /fĲnĲʃ/. Homophone: finish. Finnish (not comparable). Of or pertaining to Finland. Of or pertaining to the Finnish language. The translations below need to be checked and inserted above into the appropriate translation tables, removing any numbers. Numbers do not necessarily match those in definitions. See instructions at Wiktionary:Entry layout § Translations. Finnish (uncountable). Finnish is a member of the Finnic group of the Uralic family of languages. The Finnic group also includes Estonian and a few minority languages spoken around the Baltic Sea. Being linguistically isolated, it isn't related to many languages. It is highly similar to Estonian and spoken in Finland, and as a minority in some parts of Sweden. The Finnish language can be somewhat harder for native English speakers than Germanic languages as its structure is quite different. Some characteristic of the