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From my perspective, the main frame values of America are freedom, equality, democracy, diversity, opportunity, and social justice. These hold great importance to the country and to its people. I think when people come to America it is because they view it as a country of freedom and of the “American Dream.” With these ideas in mind, if America adopts trilingualism, in which English, Spanish, and French are required to learn, I think that various understandings and viewpoints would be different. I think it would greatly increase my awareness of global issues, as I would be exposed to more and different news sources and media outlets, which provide various perspectives on global issues. I think it could increase my personal interest in these global affairs as well. I think I would have an altered understanding of ethnic conflicts because if I could hear out the groups involved and their experiences I would be able to hold greater empathy and a greater understanding. Regarding separatist movements, if I was able to listen to those involved and their perspectives on the situation, it is likely that it could lead to a more sympathetic understanding of them. I think such a state strikes me as a good thing because I think the more languages people know the more cultured they are, which increases their global awareness and knowledge. I think it could lead to great things, like better country to country communication and handling of global affairs. I think it only adds to my frame values that I have developed as an American. This is because I believe that America stands for diversity

and opportunity, which I think is only magnified the more languages and connections that people can create from knowing them.