Table 20.1. Percentages of *strongly agree* or *agree* by gender in question 20: "Following are statements about English as a global language. Respond to each statement, giving your initial reaction." The median numbers of respondents are shown above the columns.

| | Gender | | | | |
|--|----------------------------------|---------------|-----------------|-------|--|
| | Total - respondents n=1427 | Male n=712 | Female n=715 | | |
| Statement | % | % | % | p | |
| a. English is displacing other languages in the world | 60.3 | 61.6 | 59.1 | 0.358 | |
| b. English skills should become more common in the world | 59.9 | 62.6 | 57.3 | 0.046 | |
| c: The set of values that comes with English is destroying other cultures | 30.1 | 31.6 | 28.6 | 0.225 | |
| d. English is spreading the market economy and materialistic values | 44.7 | 49.1 | 40.4 | 0.001 | |
| e. English is the language of advancement | 46.7 | 44.9 | 48.4 | 0.202 | |
| f. English skills add to mutual understanding on a global level | 90.1 | 89.3 | 90.9 | 0.330 | |
| g. To be up-to-date, people must be able to function in English | 74.1 | 75.0 | 73.3 | 0.469 | |
| h. People with English skills are more tolerant than those who cannot speak English. | 22.4 | 22.8 | 22.1 | 0.751 | |

Table 20.2. Percentages of *strongly agree* or *agree* by age group in question 20: "Following are statements about English as a global language. Respond to each statement, giving your initial reaction." The median numbers of respondents are shown above the columns.

| | Age group | | | | | |
|--|----------------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|---------|
| | Total - respondents n=1427 | 15-24 n=227 | 25-44 n=502 | 45–64 n=536 | 65–79 n=161 | |
| Statement | % | % | % | % | % | p |
| a. English is displacing other languages in the world | 60.3 | 63.2 | 53.6 | 64.8 | 62.1 | 0.002 |
| b. English skills should become more common in the world | n 59.9 | 69.6 | 65.8 | 51.1 | 57.1 | < 0.001 |
| c: The set of values that comes with English is destroying other cultures | 30.1 | 26.8 | 25.9 | 34.8 | 31.9 | 0.010 |
| d. English is spreading the market economy and materialistic values | 44.7 | 41.4 | 38.2 | 49.7 | 53.4 | < 0.001 |
| e. English is the language of advancement | 46.7 | 53.1 | 46.6 | 42.6 | 50.9 | 0.037 |
| f. English skills add to mutual understanding on a global level | 90.1 | 90.7 | 93.4 | 88.3 | 84.6 | 0.003 |
| g. To be up-to-date, people must be able to function in English | 74.1 | 82.9 | 81.9 | 66.9 | 61.5 | < 0.001 |
| h. People with English skills are more tolerant than those who cannot speak English. | 22.4 | 21.1 | 24.1 | 22.0 | 21.0 | 0.726 |

Table 20.3. Percentages of *strongly agree* or *agree* by residential area in question 20: "Following are statements about English as a global language. Respond to each statement, giving your initial reaction." The median numbers of respondents are shown above the columns.

1: city with over 50 000 inhabitants, 2: town with less than 50 000 inhabitants, 3: rural centre, 4: countryside.

| | Area | | | | | |
|--|----------------------------------|------------|-----------------|-----------------|------------|-------|
| Statement | Total – respondents n=1427 | 1 n=619 | 2 n=305 % | 3 n=241 % | 4 n=262 | p |
| | 60.2 | (1.6 | <i>c</i> 1.7 | 50.7 | 56.4 | |
| a. English is displacing other languages in the world | 60.3 | 61.6 | 61.5 | 59.7 | 56.4 | 0.509 |
| b. English skills should become more common | 59.9 | 60.7 | 59.6 | 60.1 | 58.2 | 0.916 |
| in the world | | | | | | |
| c: The set of values that comes with English is destroying other cultures | 30.1 | 30.0 | 30.0 | 32.4 | 28.3 | 0.793 |
| d. English is spreading the market economy | 44.7 | 44.4 | 43.9 | 43.9 | 48.0 | 0.671 |
| and materialistic values | | | | | | |
| e. English is the language of advancement | 46.7 | 44.4 | 48.1 | 45.0 | 51.8 | 0.201 |
| f. English skills add to mutual understanding on a global level | 90.1 | 91.7 | 92.0 | 88.2 | 85.9 | 0.028 |
| g. To be up-to-date, people must be able to | 74.1 | 78.0 | 74.1 | 68.0 | 70.6 | 0.010 |
| function in English | | | | | | |
| h. People with English skills are more tolerant than those who cannot speak English. | 22.4 | 23.1 | 19.6 | 20.7 | 25.7 | 0.300 |

Table 20.4. Percentages of *strongly agree* or *agree* by education in question 20: "Following are statements about English as a global language. Respond to each statement, giving your initial reaction." The median numbers of respondents are shown above the columns.

- 1: Primary school (grades 1-6 in the Finnish system), 2: Lower secondary school (grades 7-9/10 in the Finnish system),
- 3: Upper secondary school, upper secondary school graduate or vocational education graduate, 4: Polytechnic degree, 5: University degree.

| | | Education | | | | | |
|--|------------------------|-----------|-------|-------|-------|-------|---------|
| | Total - respondents | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | |
| | n=1427 | n=158 | n=239 | n=651 | n=144 | n=219 | |
| Statement | % | % | % | % | % | % | p |
| a. English is displacing other languages in the world | 60.3 | 58.2 | 61.8 | 56.7 | 54.5 | 74.5 | < 0.001 |
| b. English skills should become more common in the world | 59.9 | 54.1 | 63.2 | 59.1 | 59.7 | 64.8 | 0.233 |
| c: The set of values that comes with English is destroying other cultures | 30.1 | 22.3 | 31.2 | 29.9 | 29.9 | 34.6 | 0.149 |
| d. English is spreading the market economy and materialistic values | 44.7 | 48.7 | 53.2 | 43.4 | 39.6 | 39.7 | 0.017 |
| e. English is the language of advancement | 46.7 | 54.4 | 54.0 | 43.6 | 44.1 | 43.1 | 0.012 |
| f. English skills add to mutual understanding on a global level | 90.1 | 83.5 | 89.6 | 90.0 | 93.8 | 95.0 | 0.003 |
| g. To be up-to-date, people must be able to function in English | 74.1 | 60.1 | 75.3 | 72.9 | 77.1 | 85.3 | < 0.001 |
| h. People with English skills are more tolerant than those who cannot speak English. | 22.4 | 22.8 | 28.0 | 20.3 | 23.4 | 22.4 | 0.194 |

Table 20.5. Percentages of *strongly agree* or *agree* by occupation in question 20: "Following are statements about English as a global language. Respond to each statement, giving your initial reaction." The median numbers of respondents are shown above the columns.

1: Managers, 2: Experts, 3: Office and customer service workers, 4: Healthcare workers, 5: Manual workers.

| | | Occupation | | | | | |
|--|----------------------------------|------------|------------|------------|-----------|------------|---------|
| | Total – respondents n=1427 | 1 n=76 | 2 n=391 | 3 n=330 | 4 n=83 | 5 n=376 | |
| Statement | % | % | % | % | % | % | p |
| a. English is displacing other languages in the world | 60.3 | 77.9 | 65.2 | 57.6 | 51.8 | 55.4 | < 0.001 |
| b. English skills should become more common in the world | 59.9 | 61.0 | 61.4 | 63.7 | 56.6 | 53.2 | 0.049 |
| c: The set of values that comes with English is destroying other cultures | 30.1 | 41.3 | 34.6 | 24.3 | 26.5 | 28.3 | 0.006 |
| d. English is spreading the market economy and materialistic values | 44.7 | 40.3 | 42.1 | 47.9 | 34.6 | 47.1 | 0.124 |
| e. English is the language of advancement | 46.7 | 47.4 | 39.3 | 53.7 | 54.2 | 44.9 | 0.002 |
| f. English skills add to mutual understanding on a global level | 90.1 | 94.7 | 93.1 | 93.0 | 89.2 | 83.4 | < 0.001 |
| g. To be up-to-date, people must be able to function in English | 74.1 | 81.8 | 78.8 | 75.5 | 65.1 | 66.7 | < 0.001 |
| h. People with English skills are more tolerant than those who cannot speak English. | 22.4 | 29.9 | 20.7 | 21.2 | 27.7 | 21.9 | 0.305 |