

## HOW THE TOMATIS METHOD ACCELERATES LEARNING FOREIGN LANGUAGES

### ***THE EAR: The key to learning languages (in ½ the time!)***

With Australia's huge multicultural community, the Tomatis Method again proves its worth, giving anyone learning a foreign language the tools to do so in half the time.

Teacher at the Tomatis Centre in Sydney's Surrey Hills, Kara Mac Donald says this method of teaching languages, including the refinement of English pronunciation, takes away so much of a student's frustration and confusion.

"Using the electronic ear, we educate the ear by teaching it to hear sounds that it may never have heard in its mother tongue, such as we see with the Japanese language which has no 'L' sound. This explains why the 'L' is, in this instance, often replaced with an 'R'". We are unable to hear certain sounds of another language well because the two tiny muscles of the middle ear (the hammer and the stirrup) are not prepared to focus on sounds rarely used in our mother tongue. They need to be 'exercised' or trained to do so.

"The Tomatis method effectively eliminates this basic 'handicap' we often have when learning a foreign language as an adult, hence cut the time it would normally take in half."

Many companies in Europe and Japan use the Tomatis Method to train their staff for foreign postings, because it saves them both time and money. Such companies include: Eurocopter, Alcatel, Danone...

***Having a gift for languages is in reality a gift for listening.***

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