Persuasive Essay Outline: Learning English in Japanese Schools

1. Introduction
2. Interesting beginning: “How many languages do you speak?”
3. Background: Language = communication, very necessary in today’s world, English is our modern *lingua franca*
4. Thesis: **Students in Japanese schools should begin learning English in grade 1 in elementary school.**
5. Body
6. English necessary in today’s world, *lingua franca*
7. Beginning early 🡺 learning better, naturally; learn good pronunciation
8. Learning a foreign language 🡺 good for your mind, memory, thinking skills
9. **Other side: “Students should learn Japanese first.” Reply: “Good point, but students can learn two subjects at the same time (e.g., math and science).”**
10. Conclusion
11. Repeat thesis: “Students should begin English education in Grade 1 in elementary school.”
12. Repeat main points: “English has become **vital in our modern world** in all fields, from business to education. Moreover, beginning English early has **many benefits**, and it is also very beneficial for **students’ cognitive development**.”
13. Final statement: “Thus, speaking only one language in today’s globalized world is quite inadequate. Students in Japanese schools need much more than only adequacy, so English education should not wait until junior high school but should begin in first grade in elementary school.”
14. References (sources)