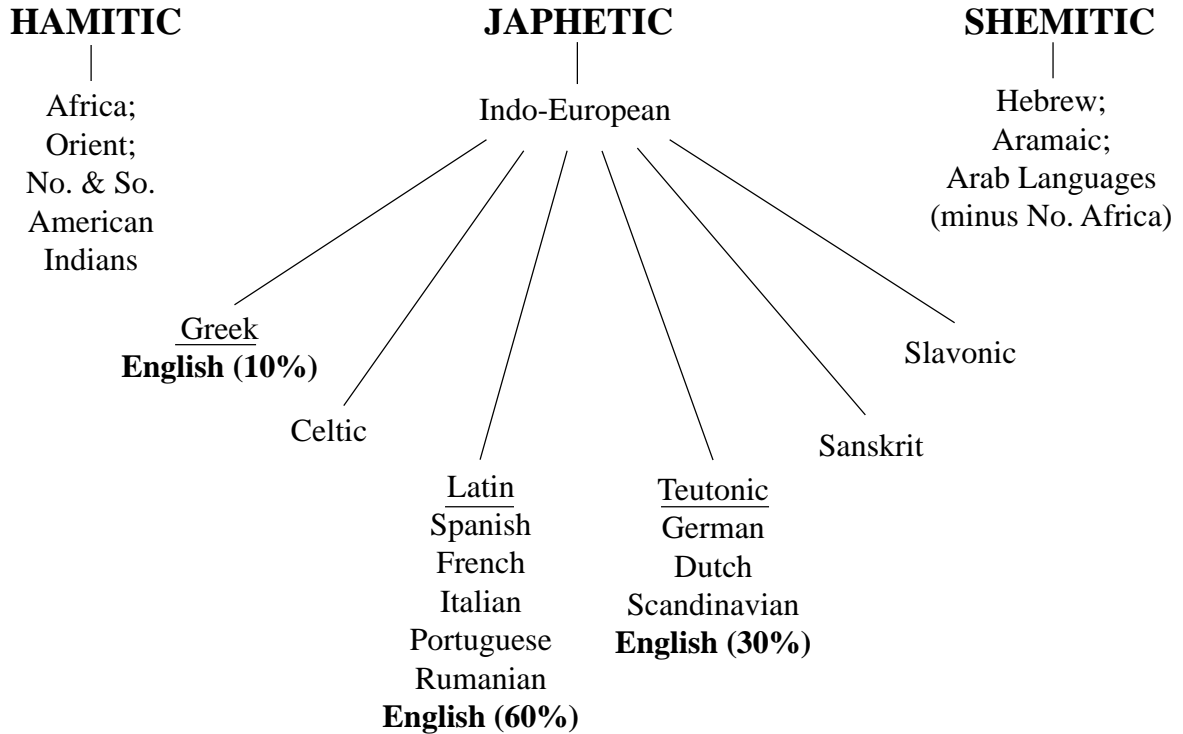


LATIN, the Mother of Many Languages

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I. The key to the Romance languages

<i>Latin</i>	<i>Spanish</i>	<i>French</i>	<i>Italian</i>	<i>Portuguese</i>	<i>Rumanian</i>	<i>English</i>
unus	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	one
duo	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	two
tres	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	three
quattuor	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	four
quinque	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	five

II. Word mastery

A. Common words of the Teutonic vs. sophisticated words of the Latin

B. English words taken directly from Latin.

C. Derivatives: **one** Latin word can be worth **many** English words.

D. Prefixes and suffixes.

E. Spelling helps.

F. Latin is the language of history and science.

G. Scriptural understanding.

III. Understanding **syntax** (language structure) - comparison of inflected and non-inflected languages.

	<i>Function</i>	<i>Latin Case</i>
The horse stands in the field.	_____	_____
The horse's saddle is made of leather.	_____	_____
The farmer gives the horse some grain.	_____	_____
The cowboy rides his horse in the parade.	_____	_____
The children like to sit on the horse .	_____	_____