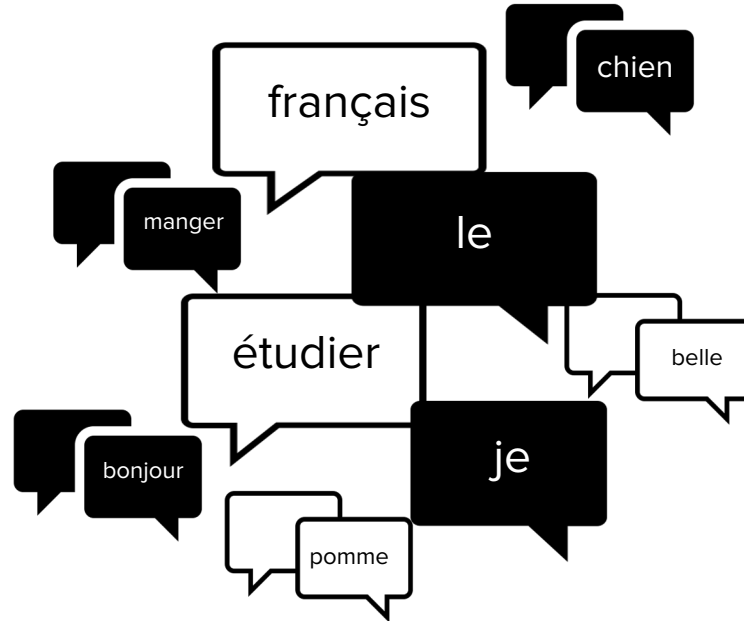




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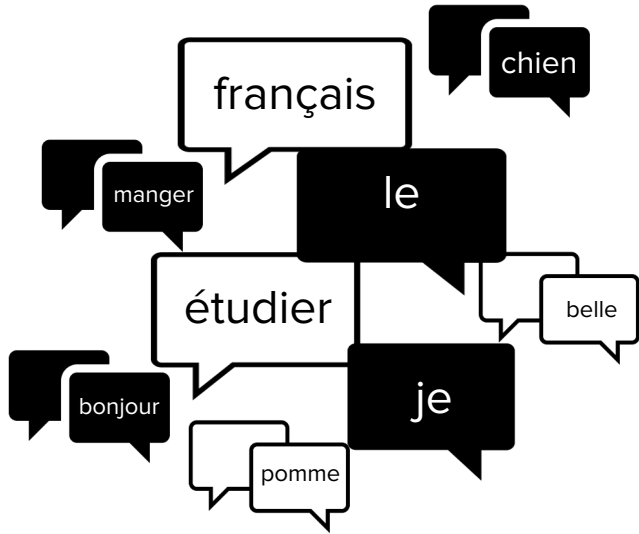
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**J'étudie le français.**

*Translation: I'm studying French.*



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The subfield of linguistics that focuses on the learning and teaching of second languages



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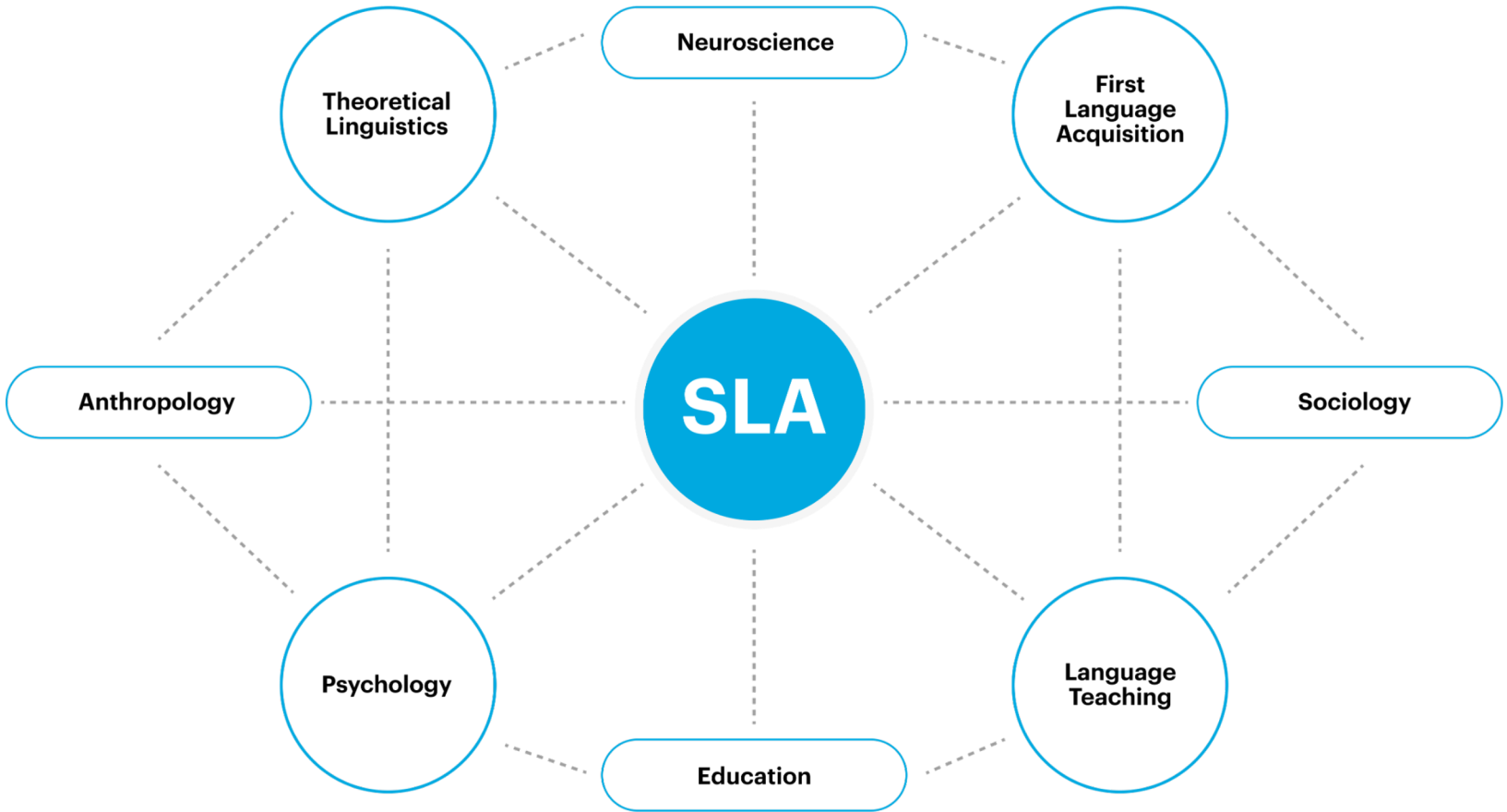
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# Key Questions in SLA

- Does age affect language learning?
- Are some languages harder to learn than others?
- Why is it so hard to lose your foreign accent?
- How does speaking a second language affect your identity?
- How does the brain process second languages?
- Does learning a second language improve your tolerance of other cultures?







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