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Dive in the deep end

Ten years ago in 2013, my husband got an assignment on Reunion Island, a French overseas department in the Indian ocean. I had not spoken French since my schooldays, so I needed a language bath in a very short time. The CLT summer course was my best option and it helped me so much that the next summer I followed the next level. The best advice was : "dive in the deep end". Read, listen, dream in French and you will improve.

Nowadays I still take a French painting (on porcelain) class, an art & craft which I started on Reunion island. In 2020 my husband and I started Portuguese lessons. A new language that our soon Brazilian daughter in law, speaks. Unfortunately we had to stop due to corona, but this year we enrolled again in the on-line version which is Covid-proof. We hope one day to be able to have simple conversations with her family, which will bring us closer for sure. I'm not a linguistic person, but the approach to language learning at CLT works for me.

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