

Nature in five languages

Name _____

- 1 WRITE IT FIVE WAYS:** The English word is given. The other four are in task 2 below – copy each one carefully here, getting every accent right.

ENGLISH	IRISH	FRENCH	GERMAN	SPANISH
Tree				
Flower				
Mountain				

- 2 FIND WHAT THEY SHARE:** Look along each line. Do any two of the words look close to each other? Write which two and the letters they share. If none of them do, write "none" – that is a real answer here.

Tree (English) • **Crann** (Irish) • **l'arbre** (French) • **der Baum** (German) • **el árbol** (Spanish)

Any two that look close: _____ and _____

Letters they share: _____

Flower (English) • **Bláth** (Irish) • **la fleur** (French) • **die Blume** (German) • **la flor** (Spanish)

Any two that look close: _____ and _____

Letters they share: _____

Mountain (English) • **Sliabh** (Irish) • **la montagne** (French) • **der Berg** (German) • **la montaña** (Spanish)

Any two that look close: _____ and _____

Letters they share: _____

- 3 WHAT YOU CAN DO NOW:** Tick the ones that feel true. Write one more of your own on the last line.

- ☐ Explain why "What language does Switzerland speak?" is a trick question
- ☐ Name one country with more than one official language, and one language spoken in more than one country
- ☐ Say why two Irish speakers might still find each other hard going
- ☐ _____