TED Lesson: Evolution’s great mystery: Language
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Warm-up:
1. How many languages can you speak?
2. Why do you want to learn English?

Vocabulary:

- Unprecedented
- Gestures
- Sequences
- Ignited
- Controversy
- Predator
- Underlying
- Abstract
- Articulate
- Optimal
- Perception
- Vast

Comprehension:
1. Who is Kanzi and what did it do?
2. How many distinct languages do humans speak?
3. According to researchers, how many species have a language?
4. When did humans first acquire the capacity to speak a language?

Discussion Questions:
1. How would your life be different if you could speak English fluently?
2. What do you think is the most important thing when learning a new language?
3. How familiar are you with body language and gestures?
4. Try to answer the following questions only using gestures:
   1. How old are you?
   2. Where do you live?
   3. What is your favorite food?
   4. Where is the restroom?
   5. What is your job?

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