

# Associate Base Language articles with other languages

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This article explains how one can associate Base Language articles with other languages. This feature is only available in the latest update of version 9.0.

## How to use this feature:

1. First of all, you will need to set one of the languages as "**Base Language**" so that all of its articles will act as '**master**' articles.
2. There will be one master article (in the base language, for example, English) and rest of the articles will be its translations in other languages.
3. On the front-end 'view article page', the user will see a section which will contain the list of languages (except the current article) in which other translations of that article are available so that end-user can switch to any language version of that article. For example (in English): This article is also available in the following languages.
4. On **Add / Edit Article** pages in the admin area, there will be a new option called "Base Article" to select the master article for building relationships with the article being added/edited. This option will only be available for the create/edit article section of non BASE languages. So, if you have set ENGLISH as the base language then this option will not be available when you try to create/edit an article in ENGLISH language.
5. With this option of selecting "**Base Article**", you will be able to search the master article either by its title or ID. For example, if you are creating/editing a Chinese article named "如何安装 Cisco VPN?" in the Chinese language, you will be able to select its English article named "how to install a Cisco VPN?" either by typing its **Article ID** or **keywords** from its **Article Title**. You will then see a list of all articles that match the search criteria provided that they are not already associated/related with any Chinese article.
6. On Preview Article (that opens when one clicks on Article Title) section, you will see two tabs:
  - a. **Articles Details** - It will display article-specific details like article title, keywords, content, attachments, etc (like they are being displayed now)
  - b. **Article Translations** - It will list the translated versions (copies) of that article in other languages.

That's all!

## Custom Fields

**Applicable To:** Standard (Multi-Language) Edition, Enterprise Multi-Language Edition (MySQL), Enterprise Multi-Language Edition (SQL Server)

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