

# FOREIGN LANGUAGE

While HCS is no longer offering Rosetta Stone, there is an ever-growing list of free or low-cost yet high-quality options from which to choose. If you are interested in exploring foreign language study with your child, here are a few choices you might want to look into:

## ONLINE/APPS:

- **MANGO** Available FREE with your Stanislaus County Library card (go to <http://www.stanislauslibrary.org/> to set up an account). [Mango Languages](#) is a web-based interactive program with a simple, step-by-step interface that makes learning a language fun. Each lesson includes audio and visual learning methods that are suited to all language learners. Learn practical conversation skills for over 60 languages spoken around the world on your computer or mobile device.
- **DUOLINGO** <https://www.duolingo.com/> Duolingo provides extensive written lessons and dictation, with speaking practice for more advanced users. It has a **gamified** skill tree that users can progress through and a **vocabulary** section where learned words can be practiced.
- **DISCOVERY STREAMING:** Our HCS account includes instructional videos for several different languages.
- **YOUTUBE:** As always, use caution when searching, but YouTube can be a great source for foreign language instructional videos!



## Other Foreign Language Materials (Available in the HCS Annex)

### Spanish

- *Rock 'n' Learn* Spanish cassettes and CD's, Vol. I and II (Fun learning through songs)
- Frank Schaffer *Elementary Spanish* workbooks, levels 1-3 (consumable)
- *Buen Viaje* workbook, Level 4 (consumable)
- *First 100 Words/First Fun in Spanish*—book and video (picture book, best for younger kids)

### American Sign Language

- *You Can Learn Sign Language* (book)
- *Signing for Kids* (book)
- *A Word in the Hand* (books 1-2)
- *Sign Language for Everyone* (book)
- Number and letter games
- Posters and cards

### Hawaiian

- *Let's Learn to Count* (book and cassette)
- *Let's Learn the Hawaiian Alphabet* (book and cassette)

### Cherokee

- Book with phonetic pronunciations