

### LANGUAGE DEVELOPMENT AT HOME

2020 was the year that many people spent a lot of time at home. In the new year, some will continue to choose to spend a lot of time with family and friends in homes. Fortunately, there are many ways to help continue to develop your student's English language while at home. Here are several ways you can encourage your child and support their English language development (while also fostering conversations about other subjects):

- Involve your student in everyday decisions that require numbers. For example, have your student help measure ingredients in the recipe you are using to cook dinner. Discuss how a change in the amounts would affect the recipe or allow your student to choose a recipe and be in charge of the mixing process.
- Practice language in games like Twenty Questions, Pictionary, Heads Up, Taboo, I Spy, Would You Rather?, etc. Many of these games have an online version and an app version for mobile devices.
- Turn on the captions when watching movies and TV shows. Pause the video and have students predict what they think will happen next. Use the language frame: "My prediction is \_\_\_\_\_ because \_\_\_\_\_."
- Ask questions that have multiple answers. Avoid yes or no questions. If your student does respond with only one word, ask additional questions to elicit more information.
- Use the academic discussion pattern of "Observe, Think, Connect" when looking at images, videos, billboards, etc. In a family discussion, have each family member observe what is in the image, think about what it could mean, and make a connection to the image. Follow up with this conversation by discussing similarities and differences between the family members.

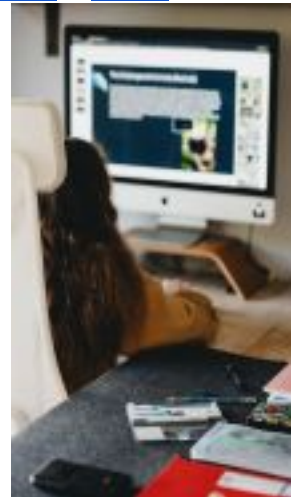
There are many other ways to practice the English language at home in the areas of reading, writing, speaking, and listening. Find new and creative ways to keep it interesting so your students can continue to progress in their proficiency of the English language. For more ideas, watch the [Language Development at Home](#) recording in the Canvas course.

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The English Language Learner Division (ELLD) supports and provides assistance for all English language learners (ELLs) and families to maximize language development through distance education. Students and families can access resources by using any of the ELLD Google Classrooms.

#### How to access:

- **Step 1:** Users must be logged-in to a Clark County School District Google account to access ELL Google Classrooms. If assistance is needed to access your child's Google account, please contact the Help Desk at 702-799-3300.
- **Step 2:** On a computer or smartphone, go to the Internet and type [classroom.google.com](https://classroom.google.com) into the web browser. Click on the + sign and select *join class*. Enter the class code provided below for the class you want to access.
- **Step 3:** Select the ELL [Google Classroom](#)(s) which meet your needs and enter the join code below:
  - Pre-K: 6cmh5mc
  - Grades K-2: fajrnm
  - Grades 3-5: crt217q
  - Grades 6-8: jke2m3w
  - Grades 9-12: iztj62e



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