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Foreign Languages

- Go to every class!**
- Practice! Practice! Practice!**
- One of the best ways to gain proficiency in a foreign language is **repetition**. Write translated words and phrases **over and over again** to get practice with recognizing the written language.
- Do extra exercises in the workbook or textbook.** Ask the instructor to check your work.
- Set aside several hours per week to **use the listening lab.**
- Locate foreign language publications** (newspapers, magazines) or **watch foreign language television shows** to practice reading or listening to the language.
- Work with other students** in the class. Practice speaking the language with each other.

Flash cards are a very useful tool in learning a foreign language:

- Flash cards are a great way to learn new alphabets, vocabulary translations, singular-plural forms of nouns, and verb conjugations.
- Make flash cards for learning translations for new vocabulary words. List the English word on one side and the foreign translation on the other side.
- Make flash cards for learning translations of lists of related words. For example, the foreign words and English translations for numbers, colors, days of the week, or months of the year may be written on flash cards.
- Summarize different verb tenses on flash cards.



