Maintaining Your Home Language
Family Workshop Resource Guide

Click on each link below to access at-home tips and resources to support your child’s home language.

Language Development of Dual Language Learners

- **DLLs from Birth**: Information showing how DLL language development is similar to that of children who only learn one language.
- **DLLs after age 3 (video)**: Video discussing the 4 main stages DLLs go through when learning a second language.

Math Ideas

- Count ingredients as they are added to a dish.
- Practice sorting while your child(ren) help you with laundry.
- **Choosing Storybooks That Promote Early Math Learning**
- **Colorin Colorado Math at Home**
- **Tips for Supporting Early Math Skills Videos**

Science Ideas

- Create sensory bottles and talk to children in your home language about the differences.
- **Learning Science at Home**
- **Science Immersion Activities**

Art Ideas

- Create puppets with missing socks to tell stories about your culture.
- Create art with your children as you introduce colors in your home language and feel the paint on their fingertips!
- **PBS Spanish títere de Donkey Hodie**
- **PBS Make a Donkey Hodie Puppet**
- **Chinese New Year Art Activities for kids**

Pretend Play Ideas

- Make tamales outdoors using mud!
- Use boxes as cars or planes and pretend to travel to different countries.
- Read and talk to your child in your home language while you play.
- **Culturally Rich Dramatic Play**
- **Traditional Chinese Games**

Social-Emotional Well-Being

- Write letters to family in your home language to show you value them.
- **Social Emotional Benefits**
- **Social Emotional Development at Home**

Share Your Language

- Setting a plan as to how you will help your child speak their home language is important for them to maintain their language. Strategies include:
  - **One-language-one-parent (video)**
  - **Home Language Only (Spanish video)**
  - **Translanguaging (video)**

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