

Informal Language Learning In & Around DC: Families Welcome!



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People who want to learn a language outside of traditional classrooms can choose from a wide, sometimes confusing variety of informal local and online resources for many languages. These resources are also available for parents searching for the best methods and environments for their children to acquire second language proficiency. The key is knowing how to integrate language learning into everyday life, leading to fluency. Techniques for individuals or families to use cassettes, online resources, books, computer programs such as Rosetta Stone, and private tutors or group

Participants' questions will be addressed about their own and their children's interests and experiences in language learning.

Mashinke Gruss Levinsohn (*bobe mashinke*), will read a favorite children's book, *The Very Hungry Caterpillar*, in Yiddish and show how to help children understand a new language through use of the five senses. Remember the fruits that the caterpillar tasted? Your children will enjoy trying them, too! Bring the family for an afternoon of



日本語 **Saturday May 16, 2009** 中国字
1 - 4 pm

**The National Museum of Language
7100 Baltimore Avenue Suite 202
College Park, Maryland 20740**

Open to the public. Admission is free.

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exploring languages at the Museum. Reserve by May 14.

The Marian M. Jenkins Memorial Speaker Series

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Light refreshments will be served.

Ample free parking available. Free and open to the public. Reservations are needed because of limited seating.

Directions can be found at languagemuseum.org/