Mango Languages is an interactive online language learning program. It offers over 60 foreign languages and 17 English as a Second Language (ESL) programs. In addition, Mango has many short specialty courses, such as “Wine and Cheese” (French) or “Medical Spanish,” and films with interactive language features.

Before you get started...

- To use Mango, you will need speakers or headphones to listen to words being pronounced.
- To get the most out of Mango, choose a location where you can practice repeating the words out loud.
- Mango is available anywhere with an internet connection: on your computer/laptop or with the Mango app on your smart phone or tablet.
- If you create a Mango account, Mango will remember where you are in the lessons.

Getting started with Mango in just a few easy steps

1. Go to the Library’s home page at: www.siskiyous.edu/library
2. Click on the A-Z List of Databases link
3. Scroll down to Mango Languages; click on the On- or Off-Campus link (depending where you are)
4. If you are off-campus: Log in with your library card barcode number and account password (instructions for creating a password are on the Library’s website)
5. If you have a Mango account, log in; if you don’t, click Guest Access
6. You’re in! Choose what you want to do next:
   - If there is a colorful button for the language you want to learn on the first page, click on it
   - Click on All Languages and choose the foreign language you want from the list
   - For English as a Second Language (ESL) programs, click on Learn English
   - Browse the Specialty Courses list
   - All Movies takes you to the list of films with interactive language features such as vocabulary breakdowns, slower pronunciations, and a chance to practice putting words and phrases together yourself. The films support learning Spanish, French, Italian, German, Japanese, and Chinese (Mandarin)
The Mango app

If you want to use *Mango* on your smartphone or tablet, look for the Apple and Google Play logos in the left gray sidebar (before you open your language program) to download the free app.

Opening a language program

A. Once you’ve logged into *Mango* and chosen a language (either by clicking on the colorful icon or choosing from a language list), click on *Mango Conversations* to launch the language program. Some languages also have short specialty courses (such as *Legal Spanish*). It may take a minute to confirm your internet browser’s compatibility and load the course.

B. Click on **Take Placement Test** if you want to know where to start in the lessons (especially handy if you know a little of the language already).

**OR:** Click on **Start Learning** to jump right in

C. Have fun!

**Mango tips**

- Look for **Literal Meanings** as well as separate slides with **Cultural and Grammar Notes**; they’ll deepen your understanding so that you can communicate more effectively.

- Rest the mouse over words to see their phonetic spellings; Click on words to hear them pronounced slowly

- The **voice comparison button** lets you record your voice and compare it with the lesson’s pronunciation

- Use the **Settings button** to adjust the volume

- Notice that the text is color-coded to make it easy to see the same word in both languages

- Click the **fluency button** to hear words pronounced at a normal speaking speed

- Shows where you are in the lessons; click on it to change lessons

- Use the **arrow buttons** on either side of the lesson slide to go forwards and backwards

- Replay the lesson slide