



The Enrichment Centers, Inc.

offer total immersion learning programs in many different languages and cultures. In addition to providing outstanding language instruction, we create real-life opportunities for meaningful cultural exchange and enrichment for children.

Typically, our language classes are taught by native speakers. Teachers from diverse backgrounds share information about their cultures through a wide range of activities, including multi-media presentations, discussions, cultural functions and field trips.

We provide students with an opportunity to increase their awareness and appreciation of the world's diverse cultures, including their own.

Other Languages Offered

- Spanish
- French
- Chinese
- English
- Russian
- Italian
- Arabic
- German
- Farsi
- Korean
- Latin
- Portuguese
- Hebrew
- Hindi
- American Sign Language (ASL)
- English as a Second Language (ESL)

Japanese, Spanish, French and Chinese are offered as immersion classes at most of our summer sites.

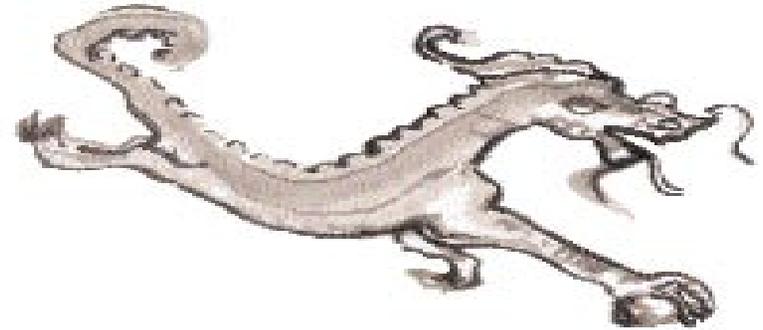
Arrangements can be made for other languages as one-on-one individualized tutoring.

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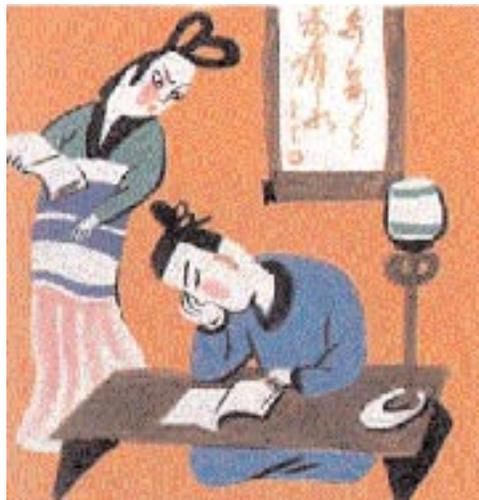
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“China is a sleeping giant. Let her sleep. When she awakens, she will astonish the world.”

- Napoleon

Two centuries later, Napoleon’s prediction is coming true. As China opens its culture, society and economy to the world, Mandarin Chinese is becoming prominent among the world’s languages. Fluency in Chinese opens the door to countless number of opportunities in business, government, advertising and journalism. A familiarity with China’s rich and ancient culture broadens both the mind and the heart.



The Enrichment Centers, Inc. provides comprehensive language instruction that focuses on written and spoken Chinese. Our qualified instructors use the Total Physical Response method (TPR) and emphasize immediate and total immersion in the language, using English as little as possible in our classes. We recognize that language is best learned when the meaning of words and target sentences are conveyed through multiple sense modalities. Using visual stimuli, gestures, games and role-playing, our instructors create a lively and encouraging classroom environment that enhances the learning process.

One of the most challenging aspects of the Chinese language is its written script. In order to acquire familiarity with and a working knowledge of the 3,000 characters necessary for basic literacy in the language, a student must be familiar with the nature of Chinese characters. These become meaningful when the student understands that they can be broken down into pictographic components that refer to their meaning and pronunciation. Our program introduces students to the basic characters necessary for literacy and builds skills that increase understanding of Chinese characters.

Fluency is improved by immersion in the native culture. Our Chinese program stresses cultural literacy. Students go on field trips, celebrate Chinese holidays, organize cultural presentations and do other activities that introduce Chinese culture in a fun and appealing way.

Lia Phipps, our Chinese Program founder, was educated in both China and the US. She studied Chinese literature at Wellesley College and at the School of Oriental and African Studies at the University of London. After graduating, she worked as a translator at the National Palace Museum in Taipei, Taiwan. Ms. Phipps has brought her understanding of Chinese culture and language to our Chinese curriculum.