Resources and Educational Apps

We all know that there are many benefits to learning a second language at a young age. Studies also show that direct human interaction through talking, reading, singing, and playing is the *most* effective way for children to acquire language. **The Spanish apps for kids that SELA is recommending below are fun, but they will be most effective if they're just one part of your family's language learning plan.**

<u>Spanish for the first time.</u>

• Gus on the Go: *Gus on the Go* is one of my top choices for young children who want a simple app for learning some new vocabulary words in Spanish	• Spanish School Bus App. *Spanish School Bus* was created by a Spanish teacher to teach Spanish through vocabulary games and music.	• Gus on the Go Stories. Here's one of the few Spanish apps for kids that used whole sentences and the context of classic stories like fables and fairy tales.
• DuoLingo for Kids: Through games, kids can learn whole phrases and sentences in Spanish.	• Fun Spanish by Study Cat: *Fun Spanish* offers games that teach listening, speaking, spelling, useful vocabulary and simple sentences, while introducing 200 basic words.	• FabuLingua; *FabuLingua* teaches Spanish through interactive storytelling. This is different most of the other apps on this list that are mostly teaching vocabulary, as it presents language in context.

• Memrise: *Memrise* is somewhat similar to the Duolingo model and may be helpful if you are looking for an introduction to Spanish for older kids. It teaches basic phrases through both the written phrase and audio, with a video clip showing the phrase in action, and then quickly quizzing the user.

<u>SELA Spanish apps to reinforce reading and vocabulary</u>

• <u>Lee paso a paso:</u> An Editor's Choice Award Winner, this app teaches phonics build early reading skills, beginning with vowels, then syllables, and then words.	• <u>Raz Kids:</u> Online guided reading program with interactive ebooks, downloadable books, and reading quizzes.	• Bitsboard: Its an App who contains thousands of carefully curated boards of different topics and languages. Each board contains a series of flashcards (i.e. bits) where after you choose, you can play so many games to reinforce educational material taught in school .

Digital Resources:

<u>Nearpod</u> - interactive ZOOM lessons, daily quizzes and assignments	<u>Kami</u> - digital classroom resource that transforms worksheets into an interactive experience	<u>IXL</u> - diagnostic evaluations for English and Mathematics, daily targeted practice in both subjects
<u>Khan Academy</u> - core aligned supplemental educational videos and interactive practice online	<u>Kahoot</u> - a variety of learning games, quizzes and activities for all curricular subjects	

Mathematic Resources:

Desmos - math software tools for graphing, algebra and geometry	Xtra math - fact practice for obtaining addition, subtraction, multiplication and division fluency in grades K-6	Prodigy: Math application hat reinforces spiral math concepts (reinforces spiral math concepts)
Scratch : Math application sued for coding	Muy interesante Jr. (Science) : Used to help support and practice reading through the use of an interactive science magazine	