

# Summer Learning Optional Spanish Practice

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In order to enhance our language program at JCDS, we incorporate Languagenut into our Spanish curriculum. Languagenut is designed to engage children ages 6 - 14 in language learning. It is an exciting, brain-friendly computer based program which can be used at home and on the students' iPads.

### **GAMES:**

Languagenut resources are games-driven and captivate students in simple, fun, and effective learning activities. Students explore a set of words or phrases through the "presentation" feature which reinforces the important language skills of reading, listening, and speaking. Many of the games allow students to play with a partner which leads to a richer, more engaging experience with others.

### **SONGS and STORIES:**

Children learn best when language is presented in an engaging context, such as a song or a story. Songs, as we all know, stick in our heads - often for the rest of our lives! The songs and stories used in this program are fun and memorable. Overall, Languagenut offers 24 catchy songs that will embed the Spanish language in your home. Over 1,440 words and phrases are offered, covering simple vocabulary like the numbers, and moving on to more complex ideas, like the weather.

As part of the JCDS summer learning philosophy this year, we are encouraging our rising students in grades 2-6 to try Languagenut to review the material that they have learned in previous years. Please refer to the following units of study to see what would be interesting and appropriate for your child. Please remember that language learning is built on previous vocabulary, so your child may review words that he/she learned in the past. While Languagenut activities are an optional offering of the JCDS summer learning program, we hope that you will encourage your children to explore and to enjoy them.

Units of study for students entering each grade:

• Entering 2nd: Units 1-6

• Entering 3rd: Units 1-6

• Entering 4th: Units 1-12

Entering 5th: Units 1-18

• Entering 6th: Units 1-24

## **HOW TO SIGN IN AT HOME:**

- 1. Go to: https://www.languagenut.com/us/login
- 2. Log in using the username and password assigned to your child. These are located on the label adhered to the inside pocket of your child's summer learning folder.
- 3. Choose Latin America Spanish. (We encourage you to try others too!)
- 4. Choose a topic of study.
- 5. Choose the "presentation" option first.
- 6. Choose an activity and start the FUN!