

Bilingual Storytime Takeout



Bilingual Learning! ¡Aprendizaje Bilingüe!

- **Go Slow:** As your toddler will be learning English at the same time as Spanish. Limit the number of words you teach your child every day.
- **Read Together:** Pictures aid understanding and enable children to connect words with objects or ideas.
- **Watch Spanish TV and Movies:** Kids learn a lot of language through watching children's TV shows and movies, and watching television in Spanish provides the exact same benefits.
- **Play Outdoor Counting Games:** Teach your toddler numbers in Spanish by playing any outdoor games that involves counting, such as catch, jump rope, hopscotch, or soccer.
- **Expressions in the Mirror:** Sit in front of a mirror and ask your child to make a face to represent an emotion. You can try *happy (feliz)*, *sad (triste)*, *angry (enojado/enojada)*, and *confused (confundido/confundida)*.
- **Play "I Spy":** A great activity for long car rides, play "I Spy" in Spanish to help your child learn both the alphabet and more vocabulary.
- **Sing Along to Music:** This is one of the best ways to practice speaking in full sentences and at the same time your toddler will hear a native speaker singing the language

Just remember: keeping up with your child's level of Spanish may soon become difficult if you are relying on the vocabulary and basic grammar you learned in high school. Consider brushing up on your own knowledge by signing into Rocket Languages available through the Library — Rocket has 13 languages to choose from. Speaking a second language is a lifelong skill that will open up tons of opportunities for your child — academically, personally, and professionally.

Check out these songs to learn more!



English/Spanish Color Song (Jan Barry)

Red is rojo. Red is rojo.
Blue, azul. Blue, azul.
Yellow, amarillo. Yellow, amarillo.
Green, verde. Green, verde.
White is blanco. White is blanco.
Black, negro. Black, negro.

(Tune: "Frere Jacques" Children repeat each line.)

Purple is morado. Purple is morado.
Brown, café. Brown, café.
Orange, anaranjado. Orange, anaranjado.
Pink, rosado. Pink, rosado.
These are all the colors. These are all the colors.
In Español. In Español.



Twinkle Twinkle (English)

Twinkle, twinkle, little star,
How I wonder what you are!
Up above the world so high,
Like a diamond in the sky.
When this blazing sun is gone,
When he nothing shines upon,
Then you show your little light,
Twinkle, twinkle, through the night



Estrelitta (Spanish)

Estrelita, ¿donde estás?
me pregunto, ¿qué serás?
en el cielo o en el mar
un diamante de verdad
cuando el sol se ha ido ya
cuando nada brilla más
tu nos muestras tu brillar
brillas brillas sin parar!