

Library to offer Rosetta Stone® Language Learning Software Online

Due to a generous gift to *The Friends* by the Kantner family, the Library will soon offer help in learning English and Spanish through their website! This Rosetta Stone online software will allow anyone with a library card and internet access to learn English or Spanish at their own pace. Each language offers several levels, and an unlimited number of people can use the online program at any given time.

Rosetta Stone is a natural choice for many language revitalization programs because it helps users develop everyday proficiency naturally, the same way people learn their first language—by associating new words with real-life meaning. Rosetta Stone's Dynamic Immersion™ method uses thousands of real-life color images to convey the meaning of the spoken and written phrases in the program. Its carefully sequenced structure, use of native speakers and ability to provide instantaneous feedback teaches new language without memorization, translation or grammar drills.

Rosetta Stone is a revolutionary online language learning program acclaimed for the speed, power and effectiveness of its method. The company was founded in 1992 on two core beliefs: that the natural way people learn languages as children remains the most successful method for learning new languages; and that interactive technology can replicate and activate that immersion method powerfully for learners of any age.

“Fairfield Language Technologies’ Rosetta Stone language learning software is a versatile, fun and easy to use product that brings a new dimension to learning a second language. The learning is based around a technique called Dynamic Immersion™ and from day one you find yourself thrown in at the deep end. As there is no translation available you find yourself totally immersed in the language, and it is this that makes the learning more fun... Rosetta Stone is a compelling product that is well suited to individuals, schools, and businesses alike.”

Julie Sompona, Macworld

Rosetta Stone launches September 19, 2006. Visit the Library's website (www.sppl.org) for more information.

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