



Transcription of

## **ESOL-ELL Student Support**

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Hello GMC scholars, my name is Jennifer Giovannini and I'm an institutional success coach for Georgia Military College. I am thrilled that you're joining me today as we explore some conversion tools for ESOL and ELL learners. My goal is for you to be successful in all of your academics to include your writing. So let's go ahead and dive in.

And in case you're wondering, what does ESOL and ELL student even mean? ESOL stands for English for Speakers of Other Languages and ELL Student stands for English Language Learning Students. The chances are, if you're checking out this tutorial in the Writing Nook that you're looking for some resources to assist you with learning English. Don't worry, I've got you covered. Now let's dive into some resources that will be able to assist you with translating words and assisting with your writing.

The first language conversion tool that I'm happy to show you today is Duolingo. Duolingo is great and that it is completely free. It has 40 languages that are supported and it'll assist you with language basics. It also has a fun gaming vibe. So when you go to Duolingo, you can access it from any computer, desktop, laptop or mobile device.

You'll select your starting language and your ending language that you are trying to achieve. So for the purpose of today's demonstration, I'm going to select English, and then I'm also going to select where what language I'm trying to learn, which in this instance, this Spanish, it's going to prompt you to go through some questions to assess what your learning needs are and what level you're trying to get to.

So you'll just go ahead and answer those questions. Your end goal is going to be to where you're actually participating. So again, I've chosen where translation from English to Spanish. And so once you get in, this is what you're going to see. It's almost like a game. So it says, Which one of these is the boy? I'm selecting this one, and it'll actually tell you the phrase that you've selected.

So I selected this earlier. So I'm going to go to the next one. This one says, Which one of these is the woman? I'm going to select this last bit. And if you listen closely, you'll be able to hear the woman in Spanish language. Then you have the option to check your answer. And again, you can select the intensity level, how often you want to use this application to assist you with learning the language that you're trying to learn. And it becomes a fun and interactive and engaging. And this tool will assist you with just everyday basic conversation. So that is the first tool. Let's go ahead and let's take a look at our second tool.

The second language conversion tool that I'm happy to share with you today is Google Translate and Google Translate, it's also great, it can be accessed from any computer or mobile device, and it has 104 languages that are supported. You can utilize this tool not only for translation, but you also get the meanings of words. So let's try again.

It's fun. So my starting language is going to be English and my language I have selected as Chinese, as you can see here. You have options that you can select. So when I typed in Fun in English, it gave me the English spelling and definition. And then also the Chinese spelling and definition. You can also hit the audio button so you can hear the translation

[Computer Text-to-Speech] little shape.

So this is fantastic in that it assist you with words, but it can also assist you with sentences. So I'm going to give you an example saying good morning. This is an example of a language conversion tool. And so it's translating it from my starting language, which is English, to the language that I'm trying to get it converted to, which I have selected as Chinese, and we can listen to it.

[Computer Text-to-Speech] Zǎoshang hǎo, zhè shì yīgè yǔyán zhuǎnhuàn gōngjù de lìzi.

Very cool and very helpful. You can also import documents and websites to help you with translation. This is just an example of another resource that can assist you with your academics and strengthen your writing. Thank you for allowing me to share and demonstrate how to use these resource tools.

They are very user friendly and easy to use. Again, they are free and can be accessed from any computer or mobile device and you can also tap included cheat sheet that I'm providing through the writing notes to assist you. Again, these tools are there to assist you with your writing and just aid you or assist you with your understanding.

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