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The Rosetta Phone

Language-Learning Apps for Everyday Life

It's said the best way to learn a new language is to be fully immersed in another country. Unfortunately, most of us need to be at work on Monday. So, if taking an extended trip for an immersive language lesson is out of the question, consider one of these language-learning apps, perfect for learning around your 9-to-5.

Duolingo

Learn a new language on your own time with Duolingo. This app lets you select your lesson intensity based on how much time you're able to dedicate to each session and can be adjusted at any time. Lessons can range from 5-25 minutes, meaning you can be learning a new language during your lunch break! Additionally, Duolingo blends video game aspects into the learning, awarding students with experience and providing support and encouragement as you advance through the lessons.

busuu

Along with writing and grammar exercises, as well as flashcards and quizzes, students can communicate with any of the 60 million other users across the globe through audio recordings. Users

can get help with pronunciation and find answers to questions from native speakers with firsthand knowledge. An independent study conducted by City University of New York determined 22.5 hours of busuu Premium offered the same level of knowledge and experience as a semester in a college-level language course.

Babble

Using speech recognition technology, the Babble app really focuses on helping students get their pronunciation correct right from the start. Rather than overwhelming students with grammar rules, vocabulary comes first, with students learning grammar as they go. Babble offers more customization in its lesson plans, meaning you can focus on the vocabulary that's relevant to you and your current needs.

Whether you need to learn a new language for travel, work, or just for fun, apps like these can help turn you into a real multilingual logophile.



BARRISTER'S BRIDGE

May 2017

A Word From Rusty

Pets and Children at Risk This Summer

What a busy month!

May is Mother's Day, of course, and it's important to honor the great mothers, grandmothers, and mothers-to-be in our families. May is also the month of graduations, and I know that many of you have seniors in high school itching to be done, or college kids ready for the next big thing. For these reasons, May gets me thinking about family. It also has me thinking about an important member of our family: Rusty!

Rusty is our family dog. He's a fluffy white collie who's almost 10 years old, and in his younger days, he was a competition dog. We originally got Rusty so he could be a show dog, but his ears never really did what they were supposed to. That's all right because he still competed in agility shows and was a real ace at them! Now Rusty is just the household pet. He enjoys spending time with his pack, loves to go on walks, and knows that he's loved and taken care of.

I'm thinking about Rusty because as the weather gets warmer, there's a real hazard to dogs and children that we don't always think about the rest of the year. I'm talking about the danger of leaving pets and kids in the car during the summer heat. Although it's been nice in our area for a while—let's be honest, it's nice most of the year—May is the month when temperatures really start to rise.

Those sweltering temperatures mean that we're going to read some tragic headlines,

like the child who died in Brandon earlier this year after being left in a car for over five hours. That was in March, by the way, and the risk only gets higher as the days get warmer. You may not know this, but Florida is the No. 2 state when it comes to children dying in hot cars. It's vital that we remember our kids and pets like Rusty when we're out and about this summer.

There are a few ways to prevent these deaths. One great habit to develop is to turn around and look in the back seat after parking your car. Try to make it a reflex and practice in your driveway. Get in, shut the door, start the car, turn the car off, and turn around. Then, unbuckle and get out. Do that 20 times until it's muscle memory.

Technology may be able to help as well. Tampa residents Fadi Shamma and Jim Friedman have invented Sense a Life, a system that costs about \$100 and warns you if you've left a child in the back seat. Although it won't help with dogs, it will warn you when you leave the car and text you as well. Then, it dials emergency services. I think that's an investment worth making.

Back in 2015, a couple from Ohio left their dogs in a hot car here in town. One dog died



and another was seriously injured. I see headlines like that and think of Rusty, just like I think of my own kids whenever I read tragic headlines like the ones from this March. This summer, let's prevent tragedies like those. It only takes a second.

Have a great start to your summer,

Robert Geller



Treat Yourself on the Cheap

Frugality Doesn't Have to Mean Deprivation

Frugality might seem like a death sentence for fun, but if you're creative, it's more than doable to have a great time and still live well within your means.

STAY IN
Usually, activities you do out will cost significantly more than the same thing done at home (such as watching a movie on your couch instead of at the theater or cooking a great dinner instead of going out to eat). Try turning home cooking into a game. For instance, start with a few leftover ingredients and seeing what amazing new

dish you can come up with. If you do date night at home 90 percent of the time, you'll be able to splurge later on a night out.

USE THE LIBRARY
If you're not in the habit of using the library for recreation, you're missing out on a great opportunity. Check out entire seasons of popular TV shows and cut cable and TV streaming packages from the budget. The library also has a great selection of movies, books, audiobooks, video games, and CDs. Best of all, everything's free!

RENT INSTEAD OF OWN
What about owning cool stuff? Well, even if you can't afford to buy everything you want brand-new, it's easier than ever to borrow and share. There's a totally free online platform called Peerby that connects people who want to borrow and lend items, including everything from power tools to folding chairs. Never again let a lack of ownership keep you from doing the things that make you happy!

The point is, you really *can* have an amazing life without spending a ton of money. So get out there, save, and have fun!

Heat: The Sneaky Killer

Are You at Risk for Heat Injury?

You don't have to be locked in a car to die from the heat.
Last summer, half a dozen American workers died from heat stress while on the job, and thousands more suffered varying injuries. Those numbers come straight from the Occupational Safety and Health Administration, and they're much worse than in previous years. The majority of deaths and injuries happen to tradespeople working outdoors, and employers would love to write the danger off as an occupational hazard of construction and other manual labor fields. But in U.S. courts, it's been made clear that no job should cost you your life or result in serious injury.

The duty of preventing these injuries and tragedies lies squarely with employers. It's their responsibility to educate workers on the dangers of heat stress and injury. It's their job to provide adequate water and

break periods. And it's their duty to call off work if conditions become too hazardous.

If you work in a hot environment, know the signs of heat injury. Excessive sweating, dizziness, nausea or vomiting, and irritability are all warning signs of heat exhaustion. Plenty of fluids, rest in a cool and shady area, and ice packs or a wet towel on the back of the neck will help with recovery. If someone's skin becomes red and dry, and they pass out or begin to seize, then they're having a heatstroke. Call 911 immediately.

Heat injuries can become worse over the course of your life and have long-lasting effects on your health. If you're injured on the job due to heat stress or heatstroke, it's likely you're owed money as compensation. A personal injury suit will help pay for your medical bills, but it will also pressure



employers to change their behavior to prevent heat injury for other employees.

Finally, remember that those in humid environments, like Florida, are at much greater risk for heat injury and death. Be careful this summer.

Client Testimonials



I CHOSE TO DO BANKRUPTCY
BECAUSE, being a single mom of three kids, nobody wanted to help me in any kind of way. The old saying says you get what you pay for. Spending my money on Mr. Robert Geller is worth it because I'm so happy with the outcome of my bankruptcy. My credit is slowly getting better. A lot of stress has been weighed off. So, I fully recommend anybody who is looking for help with bankruptcy or other legal situations or problems to please go see Robert Geller. It is worth it, especially being a single mom. When you have bad credit,

you have a hard time getting a place to stay, a car, a credit card, or anything that has to do with your credit. So, please go see Robert Geller. It is worth it.

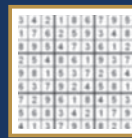
Janine J.
I WAS IN A TERRIBLE FINANCIAL SITUATION. I was one year away from retirement and wondering how I was going to manage to pay my bills. I was so scared and didn't know what I was going to do until I made that phone call to Mr. Geller. Danielle kept assuring me that everything was going

to be alright. Mr. Geller handled all of the proceedings, allowing me to start over fresh and rebuild my credit again. All I can say is what a relief! I am so grateful to him and his staff. If you find yourself facing the same serious issues with debit, I encourage you to not be afraid. It is a tremendous relief. Thanks again, Mr. Geller, I appreciate all that you and your staff did for me. I will never forget it, nor will I forget that you said I reminded you of your grandmother.

Grace M.

Sudoku Time!

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Solution:

MARVELOUS MACARONI SALAD

Spring is here and summer is on its way, which means picnic season has sprung. Enjoy this incredible pasta salad recipe with friends, or steal it all for yourself. We won't tell!

- INGREDIENTS**
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| Dressing | 1 teaspoon salt | cup chopped green pepper |
| 1 cup mayonnaise | teaspoon pepper | cup chopped red pepper |
| 2 tablespoons vinegar | Salad | cup chopped green onion |
| 1 tablespoon mustard | pound macaroni, cooked, drained, and cooled | 1 cup sliced celery |
| 1 teaspoon sugar | | |

- DIRECTIONS**
- Mix together dressing ingredients.
 - Mix together salad ingredients.
 - Mix dressing and salad together. Chill before serving.
 - Enjoy!

Recipe inspired by Food.com.