




Making the Most of Social Media for Authentic Resources

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Base your vocabulary on the resource
and not the resource on the vocabulary.

- Let the resource be your guide
- Don't pigeonhole yourself
- Authentic resources = authentic language
- Focus on cognates and other familiar words



There is no resource too difficult.

- Change the task not the text
- Break it down
- Use colors, photos and other design elements to help with the text
- Use the resource more than a day at a time



Create an interpretive to help focus the information

- Create visual connections with vocabulary
- Ask questions that require students to think



Search in the target language

- Use Google with a country-specific extension
 - For Mexico - .mx
 - For Spain - .es
- Use “for children” at the end of your search



Use social media

- Find accounts that are relevant to topics you are teaching
- Find teachers that speak the same language to follow
- Government agencies

[Top Instagram Accounts for Spanish](#)



Spanish:

NewsELA

Periódico el Gancho

Instagram

@natgeoesp

@wawawiwadesign

@zoo_aquarium_madrid

TV shows

Doki 31 minutos

Pocoyó Peppa Pig

French:

News: 1actu1jour