

Welcome to Spanish 1 preAP

I'm so glad you'll be joining us in Spanish 1preAP!!

To make sure you don't lose all you have learned throughout the year, you have to complete the following summer assignments.

There are 2 parts to it:

- a) Part 1: Duolingo
- b) Part 2: Las casas de los artistas

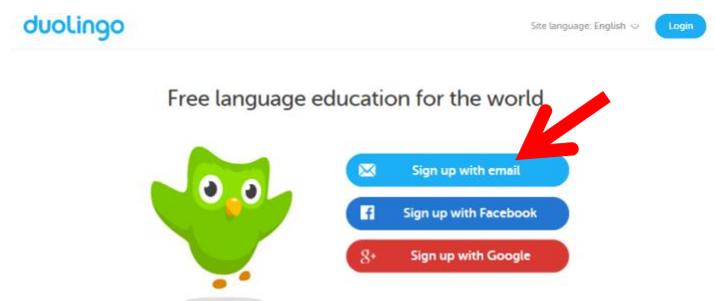
Make sure to read and complete everything so you can get credit for your work. There are also suggestions for the summer to keep you on target.

PART 1

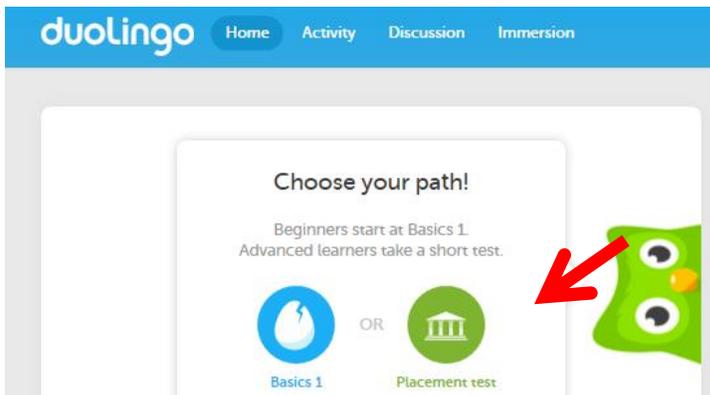
Duolingo

The purpose of this assignment is to help you review basic grammar and to accumulate and review vocabulary to prepare for your Spanish 1 honors class. Students who have a strong vocabulary base are less likely to struggle with the class.

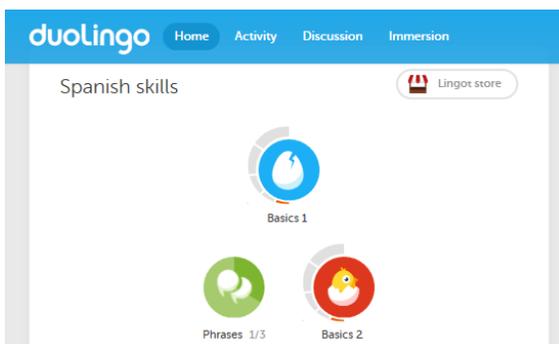
- 1) If you don't already have an account, create an account on Duolingo.com. If you already have an account, skip to step 5.
- 2) Please click "Sign up with e-mail." You should use your school e-mail (@students.bdcs.org). If, for some reason, your school e-mail is not working, you may use your personal e-mail. Do not use Facebook or Google Plus. For your username, please use your first name and your last initial (Example: Jane Doe = JaneD or JaneD18). If you need to add a number afterwards, you can do that.



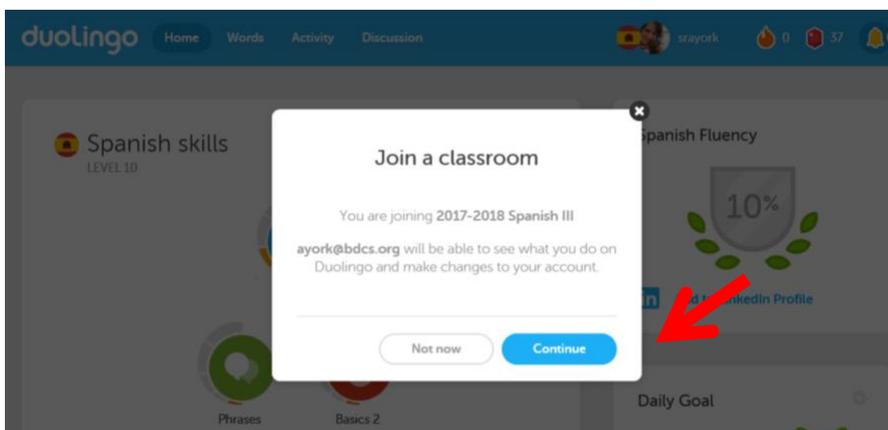
3) Once you have created an account, log in. You will see this screen. Take the placement test.



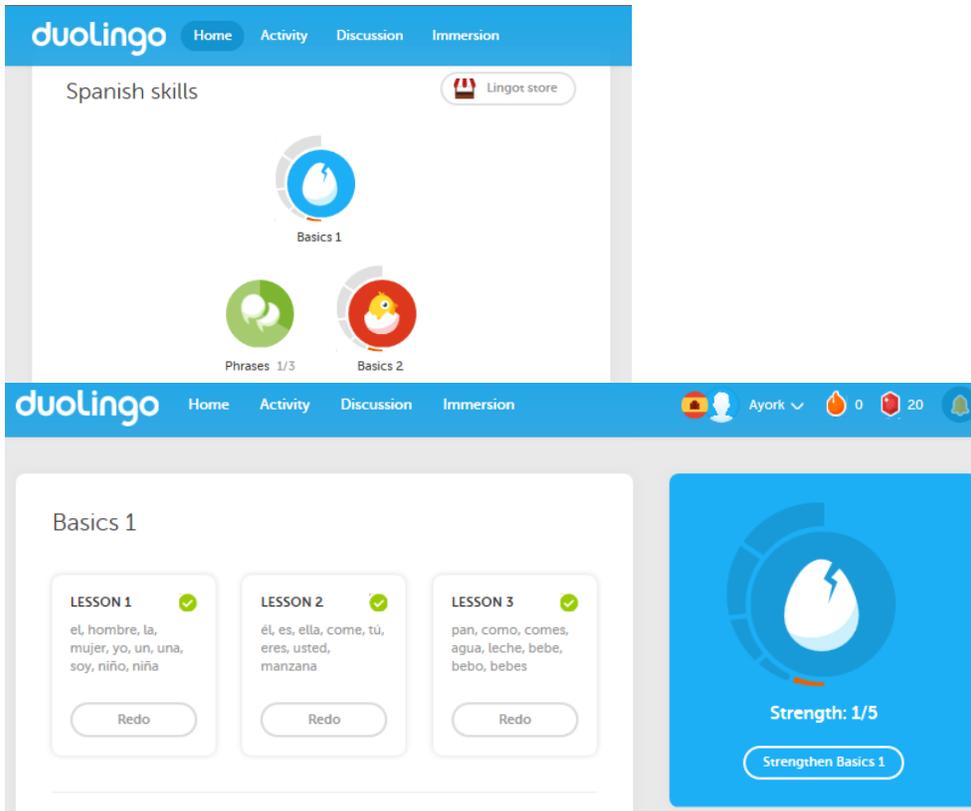
4) When you finish, you will have a screen that looks something like this. Depending on how you did on your placement test, you may have more of the gray bars that are filled in.



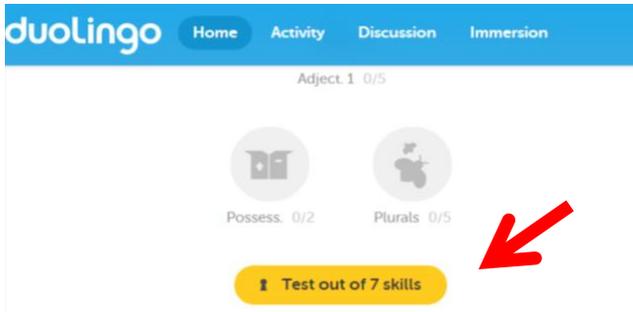
5) Join Sr. Rios class by clicking on [THIS LINK](#). You should see a screen like the one below. Click CONTINUE.



6) Now, click on any of the circles to either re-do the lessons or strengthen the skills. If you don't strengthen them, you might lose them!



7) You can also test out of various skills, this **WILL COUNT** for the summer assignment.



8) You should try to do 3 skills each week. Each skill is made out of 2-10 lessons. Each lesson should take less than 10 minutes

9) This is an excellent app for your phone that you can use to practice on the go. Perfect for long road trips.

- 10) Students who complete Duolingo activities and finish between 10 and 25 Skills points between June 1 and August 10 will earn the following amount of extra credit points. **Students who earn fewer than 10 skills will not receive extra credit.**

Category in Gradebook	25 Duolingo skills	20 Duolingo skills	15 Duolingo skills	12 Duolingo skills	10 Duolingo skills
Reading	15	10	8	6	5
Writing	15	10	8	6	5
Listening	15	10	8	6	5
Speaking	15	10	8	6	5
TOTAL:	60	40	32	24	20

- 11) If you have any questions over the course of the summer, please e-mail Señor Rios (hrios@bdcs.org). We will respond within a week's time. Have a wonderful summer!

Part 2



Las casas de los artistas

Watch the news report on the Top 5 [SuperLatina:Las Mansiones de los Famosos](#). Take notes while you are watching it, then complete the following sections. You can watch the video as many times as needed.

Interpretative

I. Key Word Recognition

Type in the article the Word/phrase in Spanish that best expresses the meaning of each of the following words or phrases. Spelling and diacritical marks count (*accents, eñe*)

- Pool _____
- Recording studio _____
- Guest house _____
- Hills _____
- Renovation _____
- LP (long players) _____
- Palace _____
- Queen _____
- Count _____

Micro movie
theater
Bedrooms
Square feet
valor
Famous

II. Listening

Fill in the chart with the information that is provided on the news report. There are some boxes you will leave blank, if this is the case cross out the box.

Las Casas de los famosos

Famoso(a)	Número de habitaciones/ cuartos	# baños	Pies cuadrados	Precio/valor	Cuartos extras (si hay)	Ubicación ¿Dónde está?

III. Main Idea

Which of the following best describes the main idea of this article?

- a) Lists of famous people and their homes
- b) Type of houses famous people tend to buy
- c) Value of houses in Texas

IV. Organizational type

From the following list, mark all that apply to the way the news report was presented

- _____ Compare/contrast
- _____ Description
- _____ Pros & Cons
- _____ Frequency
- _____ Narrative

Presentational

You won the lottery and you have decided to build your dream home. The architect you have chosen to build your new house was in charge of building or remodeling all the houses mentioned on the news report. Write an email to Señor Arquímedes, the architect, including the following information:

The must haves (e.g. pool, basketball court, etc)

The wants (e.g. bowling alley in the basement)

How big is it (e.g. square footage)

How many rooms and bathrooms

Are there any especial rooms or areas?

Make sure to include information on what you like and dislike from each house mentioned on the news report.

Use wordreference.com as your dictionary

