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For the Parent or Guardian

We are excited that your child has decided to study Spanish. Foreign language study provides many benefits for students in addition to the ability to communicate in another language. Students who study another language improve their first language skills. They become more aware of the world around them and they learn to appreciate diversity.

You can help your child be successful in his or her study of Spanish even if you are not familiar with that language. Encourage your child to talk to you about the places where Spanish is spoken. Engage in conversations about current events in those places. The section of their Glencoe Spanish book called **El mundo hispanohablante** on pages xxi–xxxiii may serve as a reference for you and your child. In addition, you will find information about the geography of the Spanish-speaking world and links to foreign newspapers at spanish.glencoe.com.

The methodology employed in the Glencoe Spanish books is logical and leads students step by step through their study of the language. Consistent instruction and practice are essential for learning a foreign language. You can help by encouraging your child to review vocabulary each day. As he or she progresses through the text, you will want to use the Study Tips on pages H16–H29 to help your child learn Spanish. If you have Internet access, encourage your child to practice using the activities, games, and practice quizzes at spanish.glencoe.com.

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