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Factors for Achieving Advanced Proficiency

Introduction

CASL research (Doughty, 2006):

- Time on task
- Creating a speaking environment
- Receiving rich and intensive inputs
- Noticing
- Motivation or dedication
- In-country immersion

Optimal Learner

- Has previous language exposure, multilingual or bilingual
- Exploits previous proficiency via conversion courses
- Has motivation/ dedication
 - Professional needs
 - Personal drive—"Be like a thief—get it from wherever you can."

Portuguese:

- Negotiated curriculum—ongoing and tailored
- Learn by doing :
 - Taped Simulations—for language on the job
 - In-Language Media Training
- Motivated with targeted content
- Models of native speaker speech
- Technology—Google Sites--PADLET-1 -stop easy access, no pop-ups, no ads, visual aids, organize content, easy accessibility and repetition

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B3 PROGRAM

Welcome to the Beyond 3 Program!

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The Beyond 3 language program affords you the opportunity to add depth and breadth to your existing knowledge and skills. It will require you to make a sustained effort, work independently, and make decisions about the content and structure of your studies.





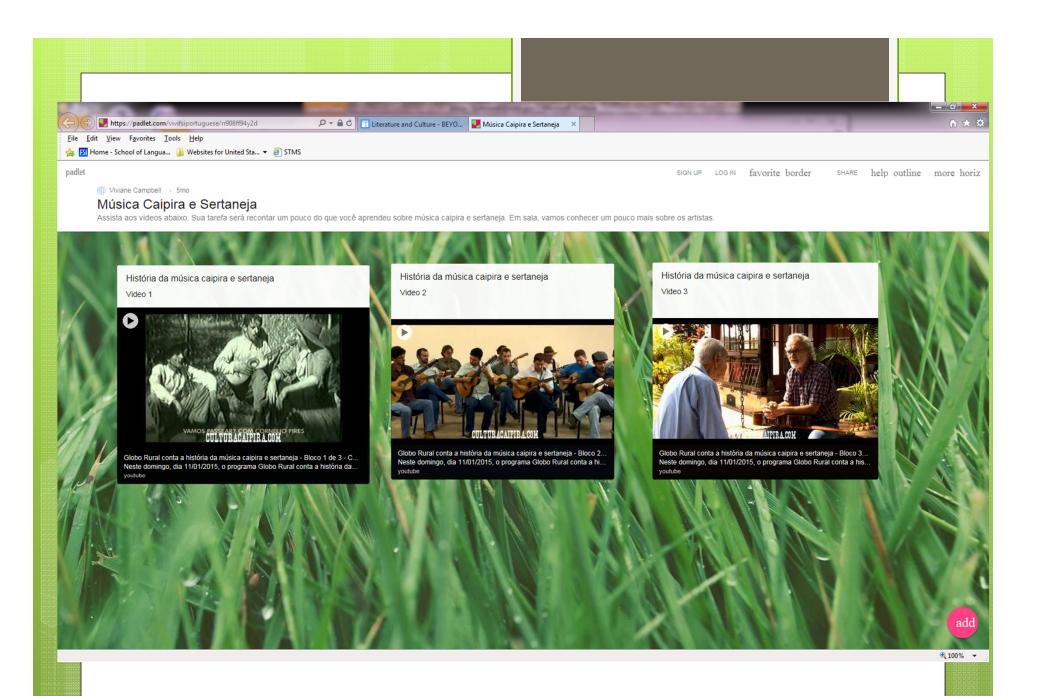






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Italian

- What is culture for 3/3+/4/4+?
- Reading for Speaking
- Cultural competence: Intensive and extensive reading, professional articles, literature, poetry, novels
- Regional, local, social cultural differences/ nuances
- Formal vs Informal speech (70 gestures handbook, other CMDs)

Spanish

- Learner assessment and negotiated curricula: identify strengths and weaknesses in grammar, vocabulary, discourse, coherence, fluency, pronunciation, fossilization,
- In TL: How to manage conflict, negotiate diverse positions, special topics
- Simulations: learning by doing

Who cares if you make mistakes! Communicate!

Great idea to set up Twitter accounts to follow political parties /leaders and cultural figures

Ability to fool native speakers

I liked this personal challenge of reading a full book in another language—not easy!

The Google site and Padlet was amazing and easy to use and convenient for finding HW assignments

Mock press conference was great way for me to start thinking about my actual job and doing it in Portuguese

Find creative daily language learning techniques