

## Free CD-ROM Sampler of All Current BBC Languages TV and Online Resources

We have just released a CD-ROM sampler of all our current television and online language resources. The disk contains a video clip of every TV series we currently show on BBC Learning Zone (BBC Two night-time), including details of new series for 2004, as well as sample pages from the languages website ([www.bbc.co.uk/languages](http://www.bbc.co.uk/languages)). We hope that it will provide a useful reference for tutors and their students as well as potential learners choosing a course.

So far, we've distributed the CD-ROM to adult learning centres, FE colleges, university language centres and UK online centres - but if any tutors haven't seen it or would like another copy free of charge, please email me with your address at <mailto:tony.hammond@bbc.co.uk>.

## New Languages Slot in BBC Learning Zone on BBC TWO – A Reminder

A reminder that, from January, languages has a new slot in BBC Learning Zone (BBC2) – every Tuesday morning from 01.00-06.00. Each week will be themed around a country, a language or an area of specific interest.

The highlight of January on BBC Learning Zone is the launch of two new series on China to celebrate the Chinese New Year: *Real Chinese*, a ten-part beginners' Mandarin course and *China Close Up*, a ten-part documentary series. Both will be shown in an all-China night on Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> January.

## Coming Soon on BBCi Languages

### *Real Chinese*

Celebrate Chinese New Year with our new online beginner's course in Mandarin Chinese.

*Real Chinese* is a new interactive site based on the BBC's first-ever beginner's Mandarin course on TV. Learners can interact with the language online through a range of vibrant slideshows, games, roleplays and interactive language activities. Transcripts of the forthcoming TV series will also be available to download.

The site will be launched in January 2004 to coincide with the Chinese New Year. Find out more by visiting [www.bbc.co.uk/languages](http://www.bbc.co.uk/languages)

### *New French Steps*

*French Steps* - the popular online beginner's course from BBCi Languages - gets a new look!

The new, improved site will be launched in January 2004 and will feature improved sound quality, new interactive grammar tips, English/French and French/English vocabulary, and a learning log to record student progress.

Keep an eye on our website for further news, or visit French Steps at the link below:

[www.bbc.co.uk/languages/french/lj/](http://www.bbc.co.uk/languages/french/lj/)

## Come and See Us at Vive La France & Viva España Exhibitions at Olympia

BBC Languages will be offering a special 30% discount on all products sold at our stands during these exhibitions. **Vive La France** is the only exhibition of French lifestyle, property and travel to take place in the UK and will run on Friday, Saturday and Sunday, January 16<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup> 2004 at Olympia. Why not come along to sample some of the pleasures of France and our great offers on stand F45? You can also visit the exhibition website on [www.vivelafrance.co.uk](http://www.vivelafrance.co.uk) to find out more about it! This is how the organizers describe the show:

## **Vive La France, the only French lifestyle, travel & property exhibition**

Over 500 French and British exhibiting companies will bring the delights of France to the heart of London. Vive La France is a true celebration of the very best of France. Launched in January 2000, Vive La France, the culmination of French Week, continues to grow in size and reputation year on year and 2004 will no doubt be even more enjoyable than ever!

Make the most of your visit to Vive La France and plan your day in advance - The Official Vive La France Show Guide will be available FREE from WH Smiths and all good newsagents from December when you buy a copy of *Everything France* magazine. If you don't manage to pick up a copy in advance don't worry because it will also be on sale at the show.

So whether you're a proven Francophile or just passionate about the good things in life, make a date with Vive La France. And even if you can't make it to the Exhibition, remember that tickets to Vive La France make great Christmas presents for your friends and family - why not treat them to a 'Day in France'?

**Advance ticket prices - Friday £9.00 - Weekend £12.00**

**Book your tickets now** – online at [www.vivelafrance.co.uk](http://www.vivelafrance.co.uk) or call the **Ticket Hotline** on **0870 902 0444**.

**Opening times:** Friday – Sunday: 9.30 – 6.00pm

**Viva España** does the same for Spain and runs on the following Friday, Saturday and Sunday, January 23<sup>rd</sup>, 24<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup> 2004 also at Olympia. You can visit us on stand A12 as well as explore Spain at your leisure. We're also running a daily Spanish class at the exhibition and revealing the results of our online survey into the top ten tips for learning a language. Look out for more news on [www.bbc.co.uk/languages/](http://www.bbc.co.uk/languages/) - and visit [www.vivaespana2003.com](http://www.vivaespana2003.com) for more details. This is how the organizers describe the show:

### **Discover Spain in London**

Viva España was launched in January 2002 for the hundreds of thousands of British consumers who love all things Spanish. About to embark on its third successful year, Viva España offers more of Spain than any other show.

The largest of its kind in Europe, the show brings together hundreds of exhibitors and visitors with a real passion for this amazing country.

**Ticket Price is £10 in advance or £12 on the Door (Free Entry for Under 16's).**

**Booking Hotline Number: 0870 120 0332**

#### **Opening Times:**

Friday & Saturday - 10am to 6pm

Sunday - 10am to 5pm

**Language Packs with Audio CDs Promotion at WH Smith from 26<sup>th</sup> December 2003 to 31<sup>st</sup> January 2004**

Anyone who visits any of the WHS stores listed below between the dates shown above can save up to £5 off the following language packs:

*Sueños World Spanish 1 language pack* (course book and 4 audio CDs - ISBN 0563 472510 - **RRP £39.99, WHS price £34.99**)

*The French Experience 1 language pack* (course book and 4 audio CDs - ISBN 0563 472618 - **RRP £39.99, WHS price £34.99**)

*Quickstart Spanish* (booklet and 2 audio CDs - ISBN 0563 471077 - **RRP £12.99, WHS price £9.99**)

*Quickstart French* (booklet and 2 audio CDs - ISBN 0563 471085 - RRP £12.99, *WHS price* £9.99)

*Talk Spanish* (course book and 2 audio CDs - ISBN 0563 471123 - RRP £14.99, *WHS price* £12.99)

*Talk French* (course book and 2 audio CDs - ISBN 0563 471026 - RRP £14.99, *WHS price* £12.99)

*Talk Italian* (course book and 2 audio CDs - ISBN 0563 471034 - RRP £14.99, *WHS price* £12.99)

*Talk German* (course book and 2 audio CDs - ISBN 0563 471042 - RRP £14.99, *WHS price* £12.99)

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### Special Christmas & New Year Language Packs Offer

With Christmas and New Year approaching, you can also save yourself up to £11 if you buy any of these language packs (mostly with course book & cassettes except where indicated) - and you don't even have to step outside your front door!

<b>A Vous La France! Lang Pack</b> (ISBN 0563 214902)	RRP £24.99 SP £17.99 (+ £2 p & p)	£19.99
<b>España Viva Lang Pack</b> (cass) (ISBN 0563 472723)	RRP £25.99 SP £18.99 (+ £2 p & p)	£20.99
<b>España Viva Lang Pack</b> (CDs) (ISBN 0563 472715)	RRP £28.99 SP £20.99 (+ £2 p & p)	£22.99
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The French Experience Video Pack (ISBN 0563 471484) RRP £44.99 SP £31.99 (+ £2 p & p) £33.99  
Sueños World Spanish Video Pack (ISBN 0563 471530) RRP £44.99 SP £31.99 (+ £2 p & p) £33.99

To get a great deal, all you have to do is call 08705 210292, fax 01937 845381/840277 or e-mail [mailto:bbc\\_languages@twoten.press.net](mailto:bbc_languages@twoten.press.net). And the offer is open until 31<sup>st</sup> January 2004.

[www.bbc.co.uk/schools/teachers/](http://www.bbc.co.uk/schools/teachers/)

With the addition of KS3 and KS4 material, our redesigned teachers pages make it easier than ever to search for online learning resources from all of the many BBCi sites. Why not give them a try?

**ALL Inset French Day - 7 February 2004 - Venue Lycée Français Charles de Gaulle London**

***Visages de la Francophonie et enjeux pédagogiques en Angleterre***

Cost, including lunch and refreshments is £50 ALL individual members, £63 group members and £70 non-members. Visit the ALL website to view the programme on [www.All-languages.org.uk](http://www.All-languages.org.uk) or telephone Sheila James on 01788 546443 for further details.

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/wales/learnwelsh/>

For anyone teaching or wanting to learn Welsh, this website is a real find. It includes **Welsh in the Workplace** (video scenarios and virtual environments to practice your Welsh at work); **Bitesize TGAU** (revision bites and test on the Welsh Second Language GCSE syllabus); **Snapdragon** (games for 3-6 year old Welsh learners and great for big kids too!); **Catchphrase** (downloadable lessons and audio files from the popular radio series); **Yr Wythnos** (weekly news for Welsh learners, streamed on the web) – and much, much more!

**New Learning Zone Winter Programme Guide**

This new guide covers TV programmes from 10<sup>th</sup> January through to April 2<sup>nd</sup> 2004 and contains full details of the new *Real Chinese* and *China Close Up* series. If you would like a free copy, please contact <mailto:tony.hammond@bbc.co.uk> with your name and address.

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/worldservice/index.shtml>

The BBC World Service website offers news in no less than 43 different languages – ranging from Arabic to Vietnamese. All you have to do is click on the language of your choice in the special 'News in 43 Languages' section in the right hand top corner of the URL above. This could prove an invaluable resource to help your students learn a language as well as keeping up to date with world news!

**That's All For Now**

We hope that the above information will be of real use to you. Remember that we want the E-Mail Club to provide you with the opportunity to let us know what you think about anything to do with us or language learning in general - and we look forward to hearing from you.