Dasher is an online workbook program that helps you learn the grammar of foreign languages through drills. You can use Dasher at the Language Media Center (LMC) in Phillips 120 or via the internet.

The Dasher program asks a question and you type in an answer. Dasher praises you if you are correct and offers help if you are not. Dasher puts the correct parts of the answer back up on screen, and it gives cues as to what you must do to correct the answer. Dasher books are available for students of Italian, French, German, and Spanish.

To install Dasher, go to:  http://virtualdesktop.uiowa.edu

The first time you use Dasher, you will have to download the Citrix client (ITC computers have the client installed already). Click “Permit” or “OK” if necessary. If you have trouble, try using another browser.

Click on the plus sign to the left of the window, then click once on the Foreign Languages folder and choose the Dasher book you want to use (or type Dasher in the search function).

Log into Dasher with your student ID number so that your individual work is saved. If your student ID number is not accepted or if you change sections, please call or stop by the LMC to have your student ID number added. **To have your work reported, you must use Dasher with your ID**; if you click on Anonymous and use the program, no scores will be reported. When you are finished with your session, make sure to log out.

A weekly report is sent to your instructor, although you should also write down what you have done so you can keep track of your time.

**If you have questions about Dasher or experience problems, email:**

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