

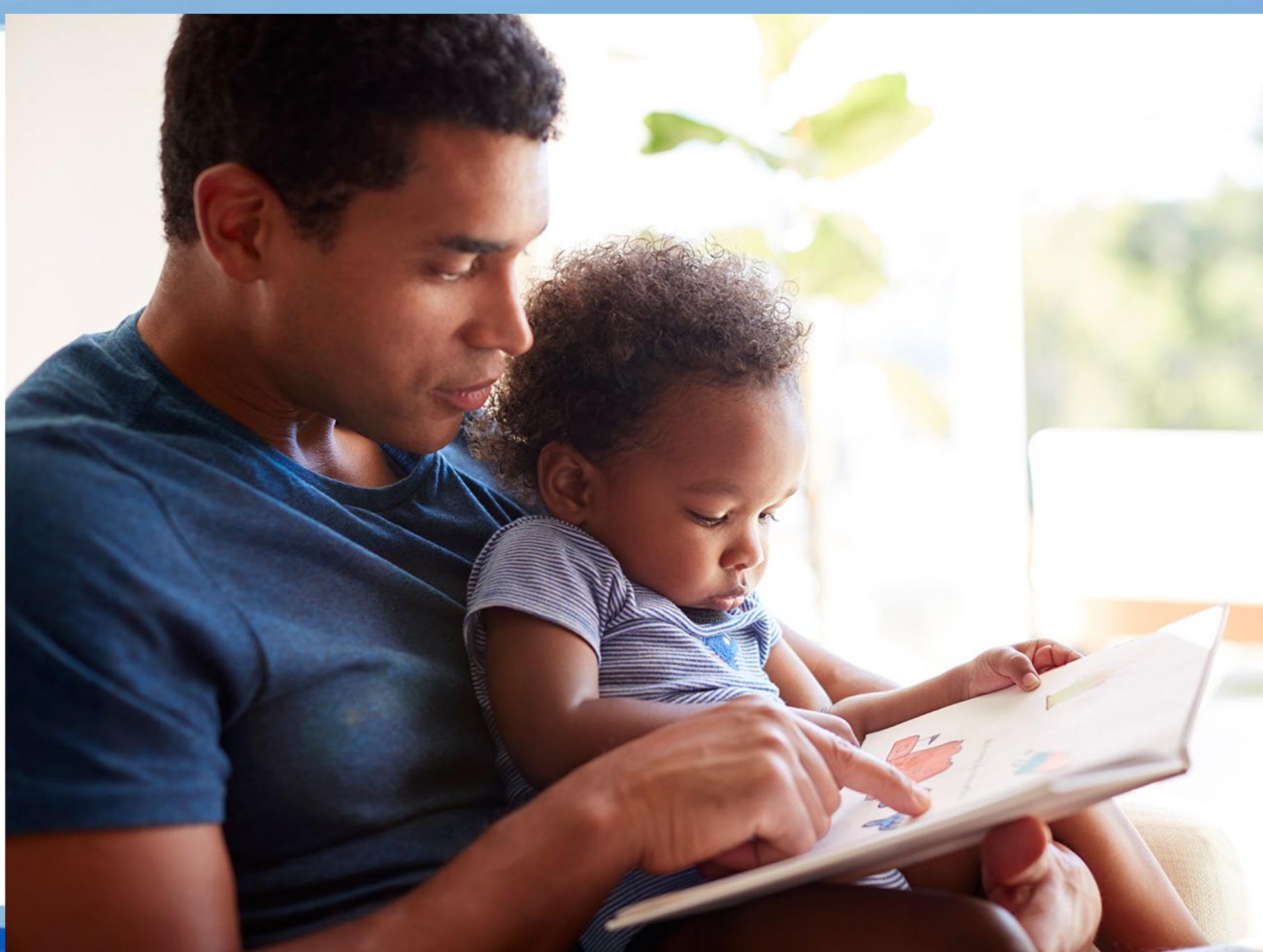
# Communication Is The Key to Success

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# Importance of Language Development and Literacy in Children



# MYTH

Deaf children should learn to speak first, because speech is an indicator of academic success. They can learn ASL later when they are adults.

# FACT

A bilingual approach utilizing both American Sign Language (visual language) and English (spoken language) prevents language deprivation. Research indicates that deaf children who are immersed in both ASL and English achieve language milestones on time and on track with language and literacy development.



# Benefits of Sign Language for Young Children



# MYTH

The learning of American Sign Language (ASL) will either prohibit or inhibit the learning of speech.

# FACT

The learning of American Sign Language can assist deaf children in learning to speak, as well as to write in English. Research has shown that fluency in ASL positively influences speech development and the development of English literacy in deaf students.



# Bilingual Kids Are at an Advantage



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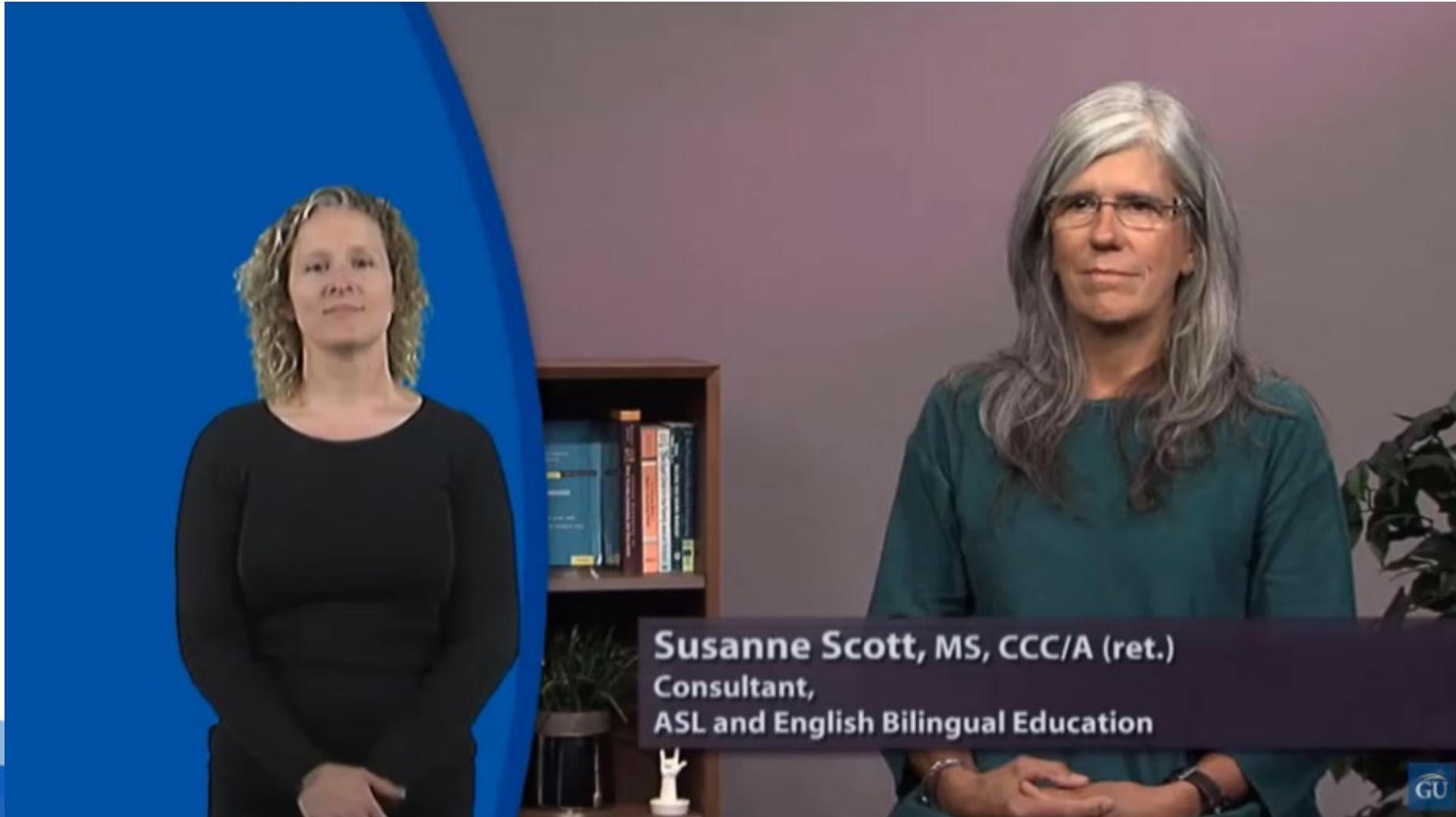
Learning both American Sign Language and spoken English will confuse the child.

# FACT

Studies have shown that learning American Sign Language will actually help the deaf child learn spoken English and develop literacy in written English. Research conducted in the Visual Language Laboratory at Gallaudet University indicates that deaf children whose first language is ASL achieve higher levels of English competency, due to the carry-over effect of a visually accessible language.



# Maximizing Language Acquisition: ASL and Spoken English



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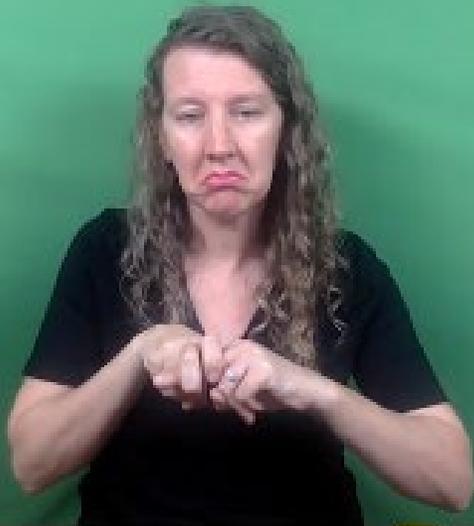
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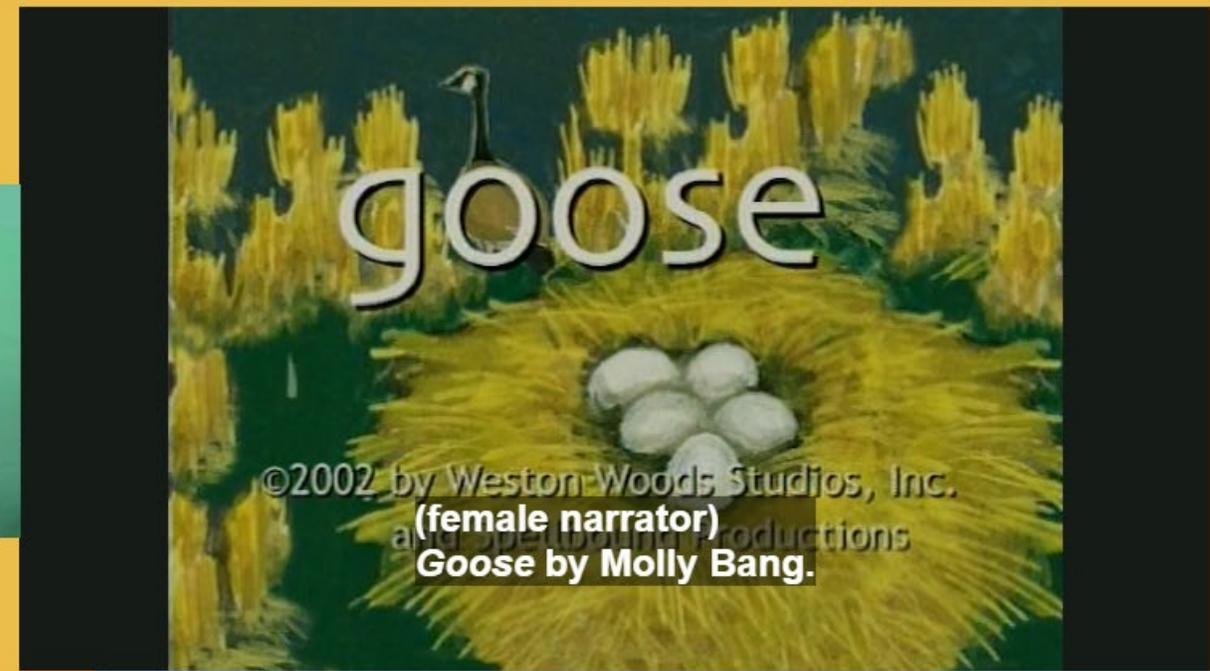


# Goose

by Molly Bang



"Goose" by Molly Bang



# Dinosaur Roar

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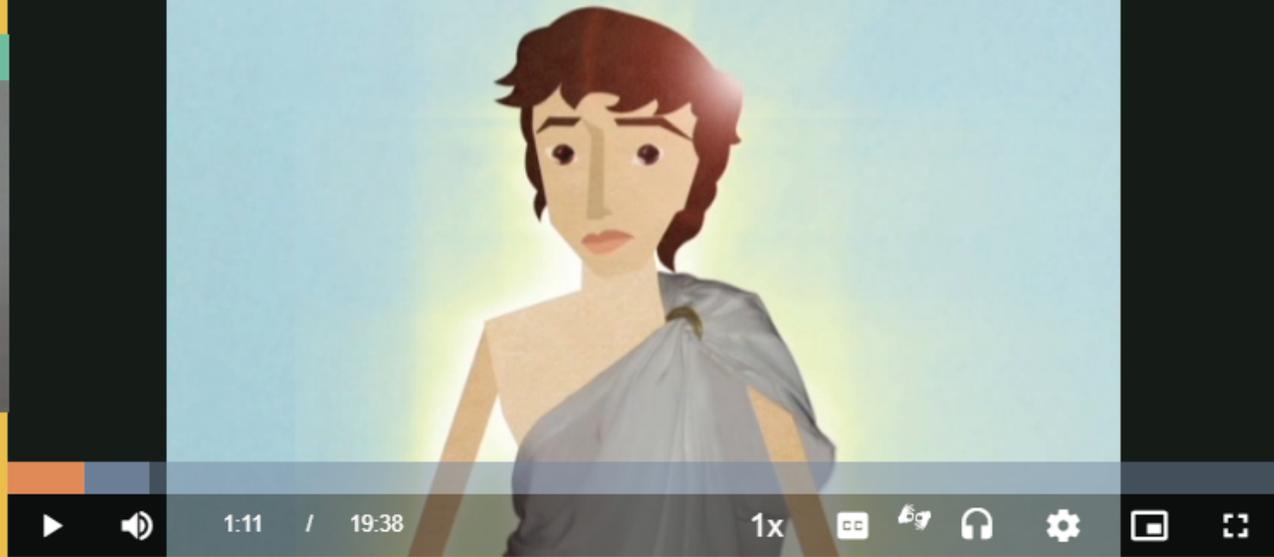


# The Time Compass: Classical Greece

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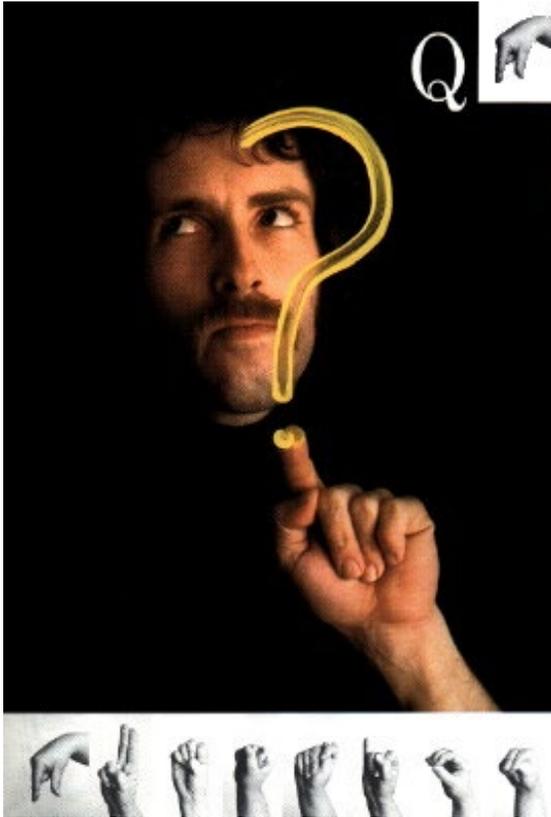
The Time Compass: Classical Greece



English

(male narrator) Beauty is, well, beautiful. But what is beauty? What attracts us to look at something beautiful? This is a question to which the ancient Greeks devoted a lot of time, study, and hard work. The Greeks believed that since humans are the only living things able to appreciate beauty, and the only living things able to create it, then beauty could be





# Questions?

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