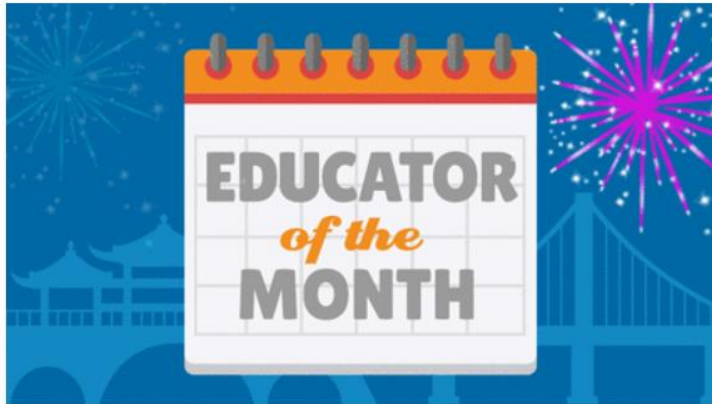




## Meet Tamara from Kings Valley Charter School!

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We are excited to introduce November's Educator of the Month!

This month, we are thrilled to highlight **Tamara from Kings Valley Charter School in Oregon**. Tamara has had incredible success using Rosetta Stone with her students, and we're excited to share some of her thoughts and advice below :)

~ Meet Tamara ~





**Please tell us a little bit about your teaching career!**

I teach at Kings Valley Charter School. We are a PreK-12th grade school with 204 students. I have taught French & Italian for 9 years. I teach 3 sections of Middle School French, the 3rd I have integrated Rosetta Stone into. I also teach High School French & Italian, all levels.

**You have been so successful using Rosetta Stone! Can you share how you have achieved this success?**

I love how I can provide more students access to language. I can teach 2 languages or levels in the room at the same time. I split the block between instruction and Rosetta Stone. I have loved seeing students who struggle at the beginning then fall into the rhythm of it and by the time they have completed all the lessons, their accent is impeccable.

I take kids on educational tours every 2 years and we are combined with other schools from around the U.S. Some of them have had years of a foreign language only to find that without any accent, they are not able to be understood. It is the opposite for my kids, who often have their accents commented on by locals.

**Do you have one piece of advice you would give other teachers who are using Rosetta Stone for the first time?**

Be patient. Tell the kids to turn off their English brain. Sometimes, if they close their eyes when doing the speaking sections, it helps to circumvent the tendency to say what they see in English.

Teaching them about the Rosetta Stone method is also helpful. I talk about dynamic immersion, how it teaches by association and critical thinking, and that you don't need to translate or look up every word.