

## 7.14 Accessibility Content

### Sign Languages

For items in which a sign language is present (e.g., a book containing pictures of the hand shape of each letter of a particular sign system, a videorecording that is signed), give a note stating the particular sign system (e.g., American Sign Language, British Sign Language). Formulate the note to reflect the situation, i.e., use terminology to distinguish between cases in which the content of the whole item is signed, whether as the sole medium of communication or in conjunction with one or more others, and those in which a sign language is present but the whole item is not signed.

For example, for a videorecording in which the sign language is the sole medium of communication, give the note “Signed in [name of sign system].” For a videorecording that includes open signing, i.e., a sign language interpreter appears in a separate frame, give the language note “Open signed in [name of sign system].” For more complex situations (e.g., a dictionary containing both a language and a sign language), give the note “Includes sign language; the sign system represented is [name of sign system].” If it cannot be determined what sign system has been used, give a note indicating that the item is signed but not specifying the sign system; e.g., “Includes sign language.”; “Open signed.”

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