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Sign languages are rich languages with sophisticated grammars and large vocabularies. There are hundreds of sign languages in the world, and all of them can be written with the SignWriting script, since SignWriting writes body movement.

American Sign Language (ASL) is one of the most used sign languages in the world. Written ASL provides ASL signers with the opportunity to express themselves directly in their native language, to preserve the literature of their language and to provide information for those who do not know spoken languages.

Wikipedias are growing encyclopedias on the web, written in many spoken languages. Before SignWriting, there was no way to write a Wikipedia in a sign language. SignWriting makes it possible to write encyclopedia articles in the facial expressions, movements and handshapes of sign languages. Wikipedia users requested a Wikipedia written in ASL using SignWriting.

The SignWriting Encyclopedia Projects (SWEP) is sponsored by the 38-year-old US non-profit, the Center for Sutton Movement Writing, directed by Valerie Sutton, the inventor of SignWriting.

The project provides jobs for Deaf ASL signers to write Wikipedia articles and for software developers to program the SignWriting MediaWiki Plugin, which makes it possible to write Wikipedia articles in any sign language on the web.

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