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3 **FIRST QUARTER 2013 INVESTOR WEBCAST**

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6 Prepared Remarks

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8 **Steve Somers, Investor Relations:** Good afternoon and let me welcome you to
9 Rosetta Stone's first quarter 2013 earnings call. I am Steve Somers, Vice President of
10 Corporate Development and Investor Relations and I am joined today by Steve Swad,
11 Rosetta Stone's President and CEO, and Tom Pierno, our CFO, to discuss the
12 operations and financial results for the first quarter and our outlook.

13 In addition to our commentary, we have made our 1Q13 Earnings Results press
14 release, and a slide deck supporting this webcast available on our IR website at
15 investors.rosettastone.com. Please review them to find important additional
16 information.

17 [Safe Harbor]

18 There are or will be forward-looking statements in our press release, slides and
19 conversation today. We offer these statements under the Safe Harbor provided by U.S.
20 law. Of course, risks and uncertainties attach to any forward-looking statement. A
21 detailed discussion of such risks and uncertainties is contained in our Form 10-K for the
22 fiscal year ended December 31, 2012 filed with the SEC in March 2013, which is
23 available in the Investor Relations section of our website. We ask that you review those
24 risk factors before making any investment decision. Please note these forward-looking
25 statements reflect our opinions only as of the date of this presentation and we
26 undertake no obligation to provide or publicly release the results of any revision to the
27 forward-looking statements in light of new information or future events.

28 We also use non-GAAP numbers in our presentation. The definitions of those
29 numbers, and their reconciliation to GAAP numbers, are available in today's press
30 release on our website and as filed with the SEC today on Form 8-K.

31 Now here's Steve.

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33 **Steve Swad, Chief Executive Officer:**

34 Thanks Steve and welcome everyone.

35 [First Quarter Overview]

36 As we have previously laid out, our strategy is to Leverage the Rosetta Stone brand by
37 bringing new products into the fold, to Innovate the Platform by bringing social and
38 mobile to our product suite and to Expand Distribution. During Q1 we played more
39 offense in regards to executing this strategy. In particular, we meaningfully invested in
40 product and platform while still delivering growth in Adjusted EBITDA. We also
41 continued our shift towards a more digital business model, we launched a couple of new
42 mobile apps and we also pushed further into the cloud by acquiring Livemocha. Let me
43 address each of these strategic initiatives.

44 With respect to product, we made very significant strides to broaden our experience
45 and skill-base to accelerate new product development and future growth. We opened
46 new offices in Austin and San Francisco to tap into the talent pool in those locations and
47 at the same time reduced approximately 70 product positions in our Virginia locations.
48 In a short period of time, we launched a handful of new products that are targeted at
49 mobile customers. In April we launched a new Android app that offers a free taste of our
50 product and drives customers to trial and then purchase. In less than 3 weeks, with no

51 advertising or marketing, it has over 50k downloads and a five star rating. The app
52 engages customers and is driving customers to the Rosetta Stone website where they
53 subsequently are purchasing our core TOTALE product. Similarly, we recently soft-
54 launched a suite of free travel apps, called Rosetta Stone Navigator series, in Apple's
55 App store. These too are getting traction, further exposing our brand and products to
56 potential customers. While these are not game changers, the products will tap into the
57 power of the massive iOS and Android ecosystems and enable many more people to
58 interact with our brand, which will generate leads and ultimately sales. Over time, we
59 expect this type of activity will become a way of attracting customers for trial and
60 conversion, lessening our need for traditional TV and print advertising.

61 We also made further progress in shifting the channel distribution in our Consumer
62 business. Our focus on digital products and distribution over the past 18 months led to
63 our decision to shutter our remaining U.S. kiosks early last month. With that initiative
64 now complete, we are re-deploying resources to invest in more profitable channels such
65 as our key North American DTC and retail channels, which together saw mid-single digit
66 growth in the quarter. In addition, Online Learners and digital downloads now make up
67 approximately 20% of Consumer Revenues versus only 5% a year ago.

68 Another key development since our last call was that we acquired Livemocha.
69 This acquisition provides Rosetta Stone with a sophisticated, extensible and cloud-
70 based technology platform, which will allow us to modernize our existing products and
71 accelerate our digital transformation and migration to downloadable, mobile, and cloud
72 based products. It also gives us a foundation from which we can rapidly develop all of
73 our new products. Livemocha brings with it an international community of over 16MM

74 members and provides us with much broader global reach and an engaged community
75 of learners in Latin America, Asia and Eastern Europe. With this extended consumer
76 base, we plan to offer a tiered series of learning products and services, from low-priced,
77 more simplistic offerings up to higher-end, more sophisticated ones and therefore
78 address more customer needs and price points along the demand curve.

79 From a bookings perspective, I'm seeing growth in 2 of our 3 segments after
80 adjusting for comparability and actions related to the transformation of the business.
81 Specifically, in North American Consumer, we saw mid-single-digit year-over-year
82 growth excluding the low-margin kiosk channel, which we have wound down. In the
83 Institutional segment, bookings grew at high single-digit rates in the quarter after
84 excluding sales of one-time network product, which we have de-emphasized as we
85 move that business to a cloud-based, recurring business. Growth in both North
86 American Consumer and Institutional are consistent with what we've said previously
87 and underscore our confidence that we are making progress and can deliver growth this
88 year. Our Rest of World Consumer business, however, continues to show shrinkage,
89 down more than 25% in the quarter, even after adjusting for the absence of box product
90 sales in Germany a year ago, with most of that decline coming from Japan. During 1Q,
91 to help stabilize our Japan business we hired a new country manager and engaged
92 specialized market consultants. This has led to us recently adopting a new go-to-
93 market strategy for Japan that alters our target consumer group and improves our value
94 proposition by reducing our price, changing our message and shifting the focus of our
95 communications. We are also tightening up our deployment of capital until this focused
96 approach shows consistent signs of progress. Korea and Europe also were softer than

97 expected in the quarter, but not to the degree seen in Japan. We have developed
98 tactical initiatives to improve those markets through the rest of the year and we are
99 beginning to see revenue from our new proctor channel in Korea take hold.

100 In terms of the net results, I was pleased by the growth in Adjusted EBITDA and
101 improvements in Adjusted EBITDA margin. We accomplished this while also investing
102 substantially in Product development, which will drive future growth.

103 In terms of our shift to digital, we continued to make progress on this front. As I
104 mentioned, we are already selling 95% online in our Institutional business. On the
105 Consumer side, we again grew Online Learners by nearly triple-digits to over 80,000.
106 Digital downloads, which we just introduced late in the fourth quarter, represented
107 almost 10% of product units in 1Q. Together Online Learners and digital downloads
108 make up 20% of total Consumer Revenues versus 5% a year ago.

109 As far as where we are in terms of our plans to reach the 2013 and beyond
110 objectives, I feel that the first quarter confirmed that we are making the right moves and
111 we are on the right path. We will have to start to deliver more growth on the top line now
112 that we have largely shifted away from the slower growth products and channels. That
113 growth is going to come from new products, better distribution, and acceleration of the
114 strategy through acquisition. In 2013, we are still expecting single-digit growth from our
115 core North American Consumer segment and we still anticipate low double-digit
116 Institutional bookings growth with all of this growth coming towards the second half of
117 the year, when the comp hurdle from de-emphasized network sales dissipates. That
118 being said, we are still expecting bookings and revenue to increase beginning in 2Q.

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120 Now let me turn the call over to Tom.

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123 **Tom Pierno, CFO:**

124 [Review of results]

125 Thanks Steve and good afternoon everyone. Financial performance in the first
126 quarter continues to move in the direction that we have set out as we again delivered
127 incremental improvements in our results, particularly in Adjusted EBITDA and margin.

128 Total company bookings in the quarter decreased 8% to \$60.4MM. However, as
129 Steve mentioned, several factors related to business model changes and shifts in our
130 channel mix are affecting comparisons to last year. For example, within our North
131 America Consumer segment, DTC and Retail were up over 5% year-over-year;
132 however, total bookings were off 1% to \$41.3MM. The decline in N.A. Consumer was
133 due to decreases in the homeschool and kiosk channels which are being de-
134 emphasized or phased out. We expect that these changes will continue to impact year-
135 on-year comparisons for the remainder of 2013.

136 On the international side, our Rest of World ("ROW") Consumer segment declined
137 by \$4.2 million or 34%. Bookings were down in all geographies, with Japan driving
138 almost half of the decrease in the segment. Because we moved our business in
139 Germany to online-only in 1Q12, the absence of hard-product sales in Germany had a
140 \$1.2MM impact on the year-over-year comparison. Beginning with the second quarter,
141 our German business will no longer have this comp issue. In fact, since going to only
142 online in Germany last year, we have grown our online and digital download business

143 there almost back to pre-transition levels, reflecting consumer acceptance and
144 acclimation to our new model. We continue to work on each of our three key
145 international consumer regions (Korea, Japan, and Europe) with new management and
146 tactics, but also with an eye on limiting the amount of capital being deployed in these
147 areas.

148 Overall, Consumer product units sold declined 1% to 142k units in the first quarter,
149 while average revenue per unit or ARPU decreased 15% to \$312 from \$367. This
150 decrease reflects the impact of promotional pricing in the quarter, as well as channel
151 mix shift with more sales coming from online offers through daily deal partners like
152 Groupon and Amazon and fewer units from the higher ARPU, but lower margin, kiosk
153 channel.

154 In terms of Online Learners, we once again grew at high rates, up 95% to over
155 80,000 Paid Online Learners at the end of the quarter. These Paid Online Learners had
156 monthly ARPU of \$26, down from \$28 a year ago but up from the last two quarters. The
157 decline in monthly ARPU is primarily a function of an increasing mix of 12-month access
158 versus very high-priced, but low volume legacy subscriptions that we had been testing
159 and offering and not as a result of price discounting. In general, the lifetime revenue of
160 an Online Learner is roughly the same as that of a purchase of the box at about \$300.
161 Of the \$50MM of Consumer revenue that we recorded, approximately 20% now comes
162 from Paid Online Learners and digital downloads compared to just 5% a year ago

163 Turning to our Institutional segment, bookings were down 2% in the quarter to
164 \$10.8MM, but our subscription service grew at high single digit rates as last year's first
165 quarter included over \$1MM of installed network product sales, mostly into the K-12

166 vertical; we still have one more quarter where comps will be affected by network product
167 sales in the year-ago period. Growth came primarily from our international markets with
168 Korea and Japan, as well as Brazil, all showing healthy increases.

169 Looking at the Income Statement, there were a couple of key themes in the quarter
170 that I want to discuss. The first is that the ongoing transition to more online and digital
171 continues to deliver improved gross margins, which increased 330 basis points to
172 approximately 84% from 80.6% a year ago and was the result of the shift to more,
173 lower-cost online distribution, greater efficiencies in our coaching operations and lower
174 box costs.

175 In addition, Adjusted EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA margin continue to improve
176 year-over-year. For the first quarter of this year, Adjusted EBITDA increased 39% to
177 \$2.4MM and Adjusted EBITDA margin improved approximately 130 basis points from a
178 year ago. As we've been discussing since last year's first quarter, we have been
179 undertaking transformation activities that are not representative of ongoing operations in
180 order to effect change. These actions, which this quarter included a re-alignment of
181 R&D headcount, the decision to shutter remaining US kiosks, reduce headcount in other
182 areas and adjust our international facilities requirements, resulted in \$2.7MM of other
183 EBITDA adjustments that we add-back to calculate Adjusted EBITDA. We anticipate
184 that these actions will assist us in achieving our 2015 margin goals of 10% to 13%.

185 [Balance Sheet and Cash Flow Review]

186 Our balance sheet remained strong at the end of the first quarter with an aggregate
187 of \$139.4MM of cash or approximately \$6.50 of cash per share compared with
188 \$148.3MM at 12/31. The decrease in cash from year end was primarily due to a

189 \$7.0MM decrease in working capital combined with capital expenditures of \$2.5MM.
190 The decrease in working capital was related to reductions in accrued compensation for
191 2012 bonuses, other current liabilities – primarily payments of accrued marketing
192 expenses, and the decreases in deferred revenue, partially offset by collections of
193 accounts receivable. Free cash flow in the quarter was negative \$8.2MM compared with
194 positive \$1.7MM a year ago. Deferred revenue was \$59.9MM, an increase of \$12.2MM
195 compared with a year-ago and a decrease of \$3.6MM from the end of last year,
196 reflecting normal seasonality for us. As we closed the \$8.5MM cash acquisition of
197 Livemocha at the beginning of April, our quarter-end cash balance does not reflect this
198 outflow.

199 [Guidance]

200 Our guidance for the year for revenues and Adjusted EBITDA are unchanged. We
201 continue to expect revenues to be between \$280MM to \$290MM. Please note that we
202 are maintaining this guidance even as we expect approximately \$10MM to \$11MM in
203 lost sales from shutting down the remaining US kiosks. We will partially make up for this
204 by investing in higher-yielding channels and through the addition of the Livemocha-
205 related sales. For Adjusted EBITDA, we continue to expect \$16MM to \$18MM, even
206 with the anticipated near-term impact from Livemocha. While we are leaving both
207 revenue and adjusted EBITDA guidance unchanged, we expect that results will be
208 weighted toward the second half of the year, when we expect to begin to realize the
209 benefits of actions taken in the first half of the year. Our guidance for Adjusted Net
210 Income remains in a range of negative \$1.0MM to positive \$1.0MM and Adjusted EPS
211 to be in a range of negative \$0.02 to positive \$0.04. There is also no change to our

212 capex guidance of \$5MM to \$8MM. For 2013 we are still expecting to generate positive
213 free cash flow, with all of the increase expected to occur in the second half of the year

214 Although we aren't providing specific guidance for the second quarter, we would like
215 to point out that 2Q is typically our lowest Adjusted EBITDA quarter and this year it will
216 also be negatively impacted by the addition of Livemocha, since we aren't able to
217 immediately realize the benefits of the acquisition in this quarter. Accordingly, we
218 expect Adjusted EBITDA to be flat to slightly down vs. prior year.

219 Before we move to Q&A, let me note that today we also filed a universal shelf
220 registration, including approximately 8.4MM shares held by our two largest insider
221 shareholders, ABS and Norwest, whose positions have been unchanged since the
222 Company went public in 2009. This shelf registration provides maximum flexibility when
223 raising capital, allowing both the Company and registered shareholders to be
224 opportunistic in raising capital in the future. It also creates the opportunity to satisfy
225 market demand for securities through block trades and provides the company a
226 convenient vehicle to access the capital markets for potential future M&A.

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228 With that, operator, we are ready to take questions.