

## Hello Talk (a language profile exchange; free app and profile)

### ***Apple & Android***

- Profiles include posts in student user's L1 and TL
  - Looks like a hybrid of FB and IG
- Users can search for "language partners"
  - Search for native TL speakers (including dialect)
  - Organized by Best Match, Online, etc. (tell students to look for those who are currently Online)
    - They can text one another in the app in the TL
- When users make mistakes, you can highlight the text message and provide corrective feedback
- PRACTICE
  - Texts (Free)
  - Calls (Free!)
  - Video Calls (monthly subscription)
- ID motivated students who need additional practice, and they can use this ish

## Scanbot

### ***Apple & Android***

- 1st step towards paperless portfolio work
  - Easy sharing/storage; quick; user-friendly
  - Promotes student-centered atmosphere
    - Easier grading (PDFs)
- Can upload docs to Blackboard and Canvas from the app
- TIPS
  - Student-led problem-solving workshops in class (dumb assignments for practice)
  - Multi-page docs for easy grading
  - Always re-name files (students need to be taught this explicitly for digital literacy)
- Possible Projects
  - Notetaking portfolio
    - Scan docs w/scanbot
    - Turn in throughout semester
    - Complete with onedrive/google drive or adobe acrobat (PDF portfolio)
  - Daily work in textbook

- They can submit HW through the app if they complete it in a workbook, so you don't have to collect all their books/stacks of paper
- Grading
  - Students submit through different platforms, and depending on the platform, you may be able to grade and provide feedback (Canvas), or you can make the PDFs compatible for written feedback through supplemental apps (Crop Doc? Apple Pencil?)

## **Canvas Mobile App/Office Mix**

### ***Apple & Android***

- Free add-on for PowerPoint; doesn't require downloads or plug-ins (integrates itself into Canvas Mobile)
  - Audiovisual recordings, whiteboard notes, polls and quizzes
- Storage is cloud-based (doesn't take up LMS storage)
- Videos can be embedded

## **Google Voice**

### ***Apple & Android***

- Call 949-648-7557
  - Listen to voicemail (what is your writing process like?)
  - Leave a voicemail responding to the question (1-2 lines)
- Prewriting & tackling a prompt
  - We are all familiar with pre-writing strategies
- GOOGLE VOICE as a pre-writing tool
  - Transcribes messages
    - Teachers can listen/read the voicemails and provide feedback
      - Leaving a voice message to provide feedback

## **ELSA (Not Your Disney Princess) → English Language Speech Assistant**

### ***Apple & Android*** (free 7-day trial; certain levels are free; cost/month)

- Virtual, personal pronunciation coach with a mobile app
- Features
  - Varied topics, ranging from business to relationship to IELTS words, for the users to have more practice
  - Instant pronunciation feedback based on speakers' native tongue

- Pronunciation dictionary for the speaker to look up words that are difficult to pronounce and nail the pronunciation on their stress and syllable
- Benefits
  - Improves language learners' ability to speak English w/ease and confidence through personal feedback
  - Prepare language learners for a speaking test, an interview, or a public presentation
- Minimal pair exercises
  - Students hear the word and then pick the word they hear (they're told if they're correct/not and presented with IPA)
  - Students can practice pronunciation and HEAR what they're saying/not saying
    - Curriculum is developed in the app for the user (based on level, and the higher the level, cost goes up)
- Students sign up and create a profile based on their L1s (up to 40 languages...they think)

## **Marco Polo! (beach ball app) → similar to SnapChat**

### ***Apple & Android***

- Teacher challenges: not enough class time for face-to-face conversations, a large # of students, unable to always give individual feedback
- Walkie talkie app → used for either live or asynchronous video messaging
- USES
  - Create groups for courses such as speaking, TOEFL, IELTS
  - Practice speaking skills via **authentic discussions** outside of class
  - Create sense of community
  - Give effective feedback
- Can record video clips (students can slow down/speed up/rewatch) - pose questions to Ls
  - Students reply to the videos with their own and view their classmates clips
- User friendly, free, can be synced up with google voice # (for teachers)
  - Collect student #s and invite them
- TIPS FOR USE
  - Use Google Voice (students will see this #)
  - Remind students not to invite ALL their contacts
  - Turn off notifications (annoying)
  - Go over how to use this in class
  - Set up rules for online interactions prior to having students use the app

- Give Ls other options such as Canvas or email to upload responses
- Be yourself and don't make it too formal
- Use filters to make it more fun
- Stored on Cloud; can't download videos you didn't create; possibly unlimited time cap for video responses

## **Peardeck (like Socrative)**

### ***Apple & Android***

- Students join with a code that's projected on a screen
- MUST HAVE GOOGLE ACCOUNT TO JOIN GROUPS
- Free version
  - Multiple choice questions
  - text
  - # answers
- Similar to Kahoot (but only offers multi choice as FREE, so this is better)
- BENEFITS
  - Doesn't require clicker tech purchase
  - Real-time picture of students' knowledge
  - Pic of individual student knowledge vs. group-think answers
  - Ability to look at and analyze results later
- What can we do?
  - Can import or create slides
  - Create quizzes
    - Can toggle over results to see which students got correct/incorrect answers
- CAVEATS
  - Students must have permission to use mobile phones
  - Users need Google accounts

## **Plickers**

### ***Apple & Android***

- Inexpensive, quick; engaged learners; meaningful instruction
- NEED
  - Phone or tablet
  - Class computer
  - Free app
  - Plickers cards (printable -- Paper + Clickers = Plickers)
    - Standard issue = 40 cards; can print up to 60 (REUSABLE)

- Premium, laminated cards are available for purchase from Amazon
- [www.plickers.com/classes](http://www.plickers.com/classes) (add a class)
  - Add questions [plickers.com/library](http://plickers.com/library)
  - Open app and select a question
    - Students hold up the cards (each student has a unique code, can't cheat)
      - Rotate the card for A, B, C, D answers (legit)
  - Scan student answers across the room
- Instant results and reports (real time; and you can share results with Ls)
  - Each child is assigned a # (you can make it anonymous or not)
    - You'll know where each student stands

## **WORKSHOP**

### **StoryJumper**

- A free digital storytelling platform that may also be printed for a small fee.
- <https://www.storyjumper.com/>
- The templates and some of the graphics are children-theme, however, it's a non-threatening way to tell a story
- Text can be translated (for bilingual education)
- Easy to use.
- Teachers can create classes to monitor student progress.