Audio and Video Recording Tools for Language Learning
(Vocaroo, Mailvu and Eyejot)
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I. Vocaroo - http://vocaroo.com

Creating an audio recording in Vocaroo.com

1. Click the Click to record button.
2. Allow your microphone and webcam to connect to the system.
3. Start your recording.
4. When you have finished speaking, click the Click to Stop button.
5. You may listen to your recording by clicking the Listen button.
6. If you are not satisfied with your recording, you may click the Retry button which will erase your entire recording and record again.
7. If you wish to save your recording, Vocaroo provides five ways to do so:
   ▪ You can copy the link and share it via Facebook, Tweet, Gmail, StumbleUpon etc.
   ▪ You can send the recording via email.
   ▪ You can copy the embedded code and embed it into your website, blog or Desire to learn.
   ▪ You can download it as MP3.
   ▪ You can save the QR code generated and scan and view the recording in a smart phone, iphone etc.

Uses:
• This is a free and friendly way to encourage students to practice speaking in their target language outside the classroom to improve oral proficiency.
• The teacher can make an ideal recording and embed it into D2L for sharing with the class.
• Create speaking activities in a group like mock interviews, story telling, discussing a day at the beach or how one spent the weekend and send the recording to the teacher for his feedback and evaluation.
II Creating a video recording in Mailvu

Mailvu – www.mailvu.com

1. Allow your microphone and webcam to connect to the system.
2. Click the Record button to start your recording.
3. When you have finished recording, click the Stop button.
4. You can play the recording if you wish to check it by clicking on Play.
5. You can share the recording in two ways:
   ▪ You can send it via email to any number of persons by clicking the Send button.
   ▪ You can share it by clicking on the Share button which will create a URL and you can then share the link by pasting it in a browser and viewing it or embedding it in a website, blog or Desire to learn.

Uses:

• Same as above. Also..
• One can make a video recording of oneself and send it to a native speaker of the target language for his feedback.
• One can form conversation partners with a student of the target language speaking country and share languages asynchronously.
• Flip your classroom by putting any teaching content into a video and paste the link generated into the course management system. This way, you can have your students watch the videos explaining vocabulary, grammar, culture, history or other content at home. Then use the class time to do preparation activities and the speaking activity can be done outside.

A few notes on free accounts:

❖ You can make unlimited messages but the recordings must be 10 minutes or less.
❖ You cannot keep a portfolio of your video recordings unless you upgrade to the basic plan which costs $2.50 monthly.
III. Creating a video recording in Eyejot

Eyejot – [www.eyejot.com](http://www.eyejot.com)

1. Create a free account at [www.eyejot.com](http://www.eyejot.com).
2. Click on **Compose New Message**.
3. Allow your microphone and webcam to connect to the system.
4. Click on **Record** button to start your recording.
5. When you have finished recording, click on **Stop**.
6. Search for an address where you want your recording to be sent and add it by clicking on **Add**. You may then write a message.
7. Click on **Send Eyejot**.
8. The receiver receives the video email. He may embed the message in his website or Desire to learn by copying the embedded code and pasting it into his webpage.
9. He may save it in audio or in video formats or send an eyejot mail to his sender by making his own recording.
10. He can check his inbox to view the recordings he has sent in the past month.
11. He can import email addresses of his friends and add them to his group to send common video mails.

**Uses:**
- Same as above. Also..
- One can import an address book and send video mails to more than one person, maybe to his class at the same time to share his thoughts about the pronunciation, grammar, general mistakes, ways of working on the proficiency etc.

**A few notes on free accounts:**
- One can make unlimited recordings of 5 minutes or less.
- One cannot upload video to Facebook, Twitter etc. with a free account.
- One can save his recordings in his inbox for a month unless he upgrades.