# Using digital tools to enhance language learning

Table 1 – To develop speaking and listening skills

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| Name  | URL  | Purpose  |
| EDpuzzle | [www.edpuzzle.com](http://www.edpuzzle.com) | Make any video your lessonChoose a video, give it your magic touch and track your students' comprehensionRequires parental consent for children under 13 years old |
| Voki | [www.voki.com](http://www.voki.com) | Voki is a fun tool that students can use for homework, classwork or projects |
| Audible | <https://stories.audible.com/start-listen> | Free for 2020Stories to use as listening texts |
| Flip | <https://info.flip.com/> | Present and collaborate through speaking about topics |
| Blabberize  | <https://blabberize.com>  | Create animations with own voice |

Table 2 – To build vocabulary and script

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| Name  | URL  | Purpose  |
| Quizlet | <https://quizlet.com/en-gb> | Quizlet makes simple learning tools that let you study anything. Start learning today with flashcards, games and learning tools |
| Kahoot! | <https://kahoot.com/> | Kahoot! is a free game-based learning platform that makes it fun to learn – any subject, in any language, on any device, for all ages! |
| Quizzizz | [www.quizzizz.com](http://www.quizzizz.com) | Gamified quizzes to play in class and at homeCan be used for practice or formative assessment |
| Gimkit | <https://www.gimkit.com/> | Gimkit is a game show for the classroom that requires knowledge, collaboration, and strategy to winSimilar to Quizlet live |
| Lino | <http://en.linoit.com/> | Lino is a free sticky and canvas service for sharing ideas and collaboration |
| Formative | <https://goformative.com/> | Create engaging work for students |
| Quia | [www.quia.com](http://www.quia.com) | Templates for creating online activitiesAutomatic grading and immediate feedback |
| Socrative | <https://socrative.com/> | Teachers create a ‘room’ and students can login to that room to complete quizzes |
| Learn a language | <https://www.learnalanguage.com/> | Vocabulary lists in a number of languages and topics |
| Wordwall | <https://wordwall.net/> | Create interactive and printable activities |
| Flippity  | <https://flippity.net/> | Create activities from templates for students which can include audio |
| Blooket | <https://www.blooket.com/> | Blooket allows students to play a variety of games one on one or in teams. Like Gimkit, it requires knowledge and strategy to win |

Table 3 – To develop writing skills

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| Name | URL | Purpose  |
| Animoto | [www.animoto.com](http://www.animoto.com) | Create and share videos for free with Animoto's video makerCombine your photos and video clips with music to make professional videos |
| Powtoon  | <https://www.powtoon.com/> | Create animations |

Table 4 – To develop reading skills

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| Name  | URL | Purpose  |
| Chalk academy | <https://chalkacademy.com/> | Multilingual books for children |

Table 5 – Interactive worksheets

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| Name | URL | Purpose  |
| Wizer me | <https://wizer.me/> | Build interactive, engaging worksheets |
| Live worksheets | <https://www.liveworksheets.com/> | Transform your traditional worksheets into live, interacting exercises with self-correction |

Table 6 – Other

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| Name | URL | Purpose  |
| Wakelet | <https://wakelet.com/> | Capture, organise and share multi-media resources from across the web with students, teachers, and learning communities |
| ImmerseME | <https://immerseme.co/> | Interactive website |

Table 7 – Collaborative tools

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| Name  | URL | Purpose  |
| Google Apps for Education | Access through the Portal | Collaborative educational resources |
| Microsoft 365 | Access through the Portal | Work collaboratively across the Microsoft Office suite |
| Slidesmania | <https://slidesmania.com/> | Free themes, templates, resources for Google Slides |
| Miro | <https://miro.com/> | Online collaborative whiteboard platform to bring teams together, anytime, anywhere |
| Mindmeister | <https://www.mindmeister.com/> | Brainstorm collaboratively |
| Whiteboards | <https://whiteboard.fi/> | Online whiteboards for collaboration or games like Pictionary |
| Kapwing  | <https://www.kapwing.com> | Students can create and edit videos collaboratively from different locations  |
| Bubbl.us | <https://bubbl.us/> | Brainstorm and create mind maps |
| Conceptboard  | <https://conceptboard.com/> | A visual collaboration space |
| Padlet | <https://padlet.com/>  | A platform where you can create a single or multiple walls for sharing content. Students and teachers can post text, flies, images, audio and video. An excellent tool for sharing and collaboration |

Table 8 – Apps for language teachers

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| App name | App description |
| Voice memos | Voice memos turns your iPhone, iPad, or Apple Watch into a portable audio recorder |
| Voice recorder Pro | Best app for recording voiceFree for iPhone and iPad |
| Tellagami | Talking full body avatar, choices for hair, skin, library of backgrounds or use own background imageFree for iPhone and iPad |
| Spelling Free | Create word lists, record the clue (in language) and test themselves on vocab meaningsFree for iPhone and iPad |
| Quizlet | Create or access study listsFree for iPhone and iPad |
| Puppet Pals HD | Create movies with animation and soundFree for iPad |
| Duolingo | Learn languages for freeFree for iPhone and iPad |
| Photocard by Bill Atkinson | Personalised postcardsFree for iPhone and iPad |
| LineLearner lite | Learn lines of a dialogue (5 lines each), good for independent practice of dialogueFree for iPhone and iPad |
| Book creator for iPad | Make books with photos, video and sound$7.99 for iPad |
| word clouds by ABCYa.com | Allows you to create word clouds |
| Greenscreen by Do Ink | Green screen, can put video in background$7.99 for iPhone and iPad |
| Edmodo | Collaborating tool for teachers and studentsFree for iPhone and iPad |
| Pages | Word processorFree for iPhone and iPad |
| Bingo Number Generator | A portable bingo cageFree for iPhone and iPad |
| ClassDojo | Classroom managementFree for iPhone and iPad |
| Google Translate | Translates blocks of text and text in imagesFree for iPhone and iPad |
| Plickers | Poll your class for free |
| MemRise | Language learning appFree for iPhone and iPad |
| Busuu | Language learning appFree for iPhone and iPad |
| Babbel | Language learning appFree for iPhone and iPad |
| Microsoft Office Lens | Trims, enhances and makes pictures of whiteboards and documents readable |
| SoundCloud | Music and audio streaming platform |