

Foreign Languages Online

Explore the wealth of online language tools

One of the most important habits foreign language students can develop is to practice, and there are many online tools that can help.

LIVEMOCHA

Livemocha is a language network that allows users to follow lesson plans for over 37 languages. Users practice reading, listening, writing, and speaking skills, and can have live chats with native speakers around the world.

Users also have the opportunity to provide feedback, in their native language, to other learners. With the exception of a few for-fee options, Livemocha is a free service.



QUIZLET

Quizlet is a free flashcard tool, with over 8 millions user-generated flashcards in many languages. The flashcards also feature audio, allowing users to listen to the chosen word pronounced in the target language. Users can also create their own flashcards.



DIGITAL DIALECTS

Digital Dialects is a free, animated Flash-based tool, which allows users to play games to practice vocabulary, verb conjugations, numbers, and more, in over 50 languages. Many of the games offer options for advanced learners. You can follow @digitaldialects on Twitter for updates on useful language tools.



DUOLINGO

Duolingo is another free site, devoted to crowdsourced translation. Users can work with each other to translate texts from Spanish, French, German, Portuguese, and Italian. The platform is fairly new, and they are working to add more languages, including Chinese, in the future.



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