

# Modern Languages

## Increasing and Sharing Oral Speaking Opportunities

Already in Use

Posting of homework

Posting of assessments and rubrics

[multimedia](#) student comments?responses?

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little bit of audio recording

### 1. **Audio Recording** via

- a. GarageBand-nearly all Grade 5/6/7students ae experience
- b. Audacity
- c. Sound recorder-Windows:Start/Programs/Accessories/Sound Recorder
- d. handheld recorders: handy despite software unfriendliness

Can:

insert audio files into blog

have any audio files form blog available in iTunes

Samples:

Audio: [grade 5](#) iTunes:search for ismanila in iTunes store

### 2. **Community Conversations**

**Voicethread:**

Multiple story strands

Telling story about a picture

Student feedback on questions

Community discussion on topics

Blank cartoon stories. Students add voices.

Examples: see the Modern language teacher example [here](#)

Ideas: each student counts 1-10, Students describe an event, picture, etc.

*Follow up: How to set it up so that public users can leave comment via the blog without going to VocieThread"*

### 3. **Personal video comments:**

**PhotoBooth:** record face and voice. Why fight it? Students love it. Use it to your advantage.

- a) Place in teacher dropbox
- b) Upload via YouTube to blog
- c) String together a story and post as video.

*Issues: ML not having laptops til next year.*

*Solution: Use one laptop and have students rotate.*

#### **4. Student commenting**

Posting questions for discussion in blog posts. Students respond in the appropriate language.  
Sample: [jacobs](#) Morgan has many seemingly unsolicited comments on her blog posts.

#### **5. Video stories-Photostory or iMovie or Keynote**

A series of stills that you can record over. Students can be given pictures, collect pictures.  
Great for storytelling, oral compositions, reading written work.

Photostory: easy to use iMovie: all students in Gr6 and 7 are familiar

[Samples](#)

#### **6. Video 2 : Recording spoken work/presentations with camera**

Vado cameras available for checkout at IT office.

Great for recording presentations, dialogues, speaking that **are already happening** in your class.

#### **7. Add students as users to blogs.** Let them post. Great ideas to start next year.

#### **Summary:**

- 1. hopefully you are better grasp on methods to capture student participation in your class.**
- 2. Hopefully you have some ideas on how to share student work in a public forum.**
- 3. Try to push the tech hiccups to the end. We are here to help with that. Focus on what you want to do first.**

#### **Technical help available:**

uploading to YouTube

embedding audio into blog

help with software: Photostory, iMovie, Garageband, VoiceThread

## Talking about Picture-Oral



 April 5th, 2011  wanga

 No comments

Please find one picture from the attachment to describe. Your talk may be about

- Where,
- Do What,
- What's inside the room and where they are,
- Who (about the person)
- Weather

### Different Rooms

Noticed:

many teachers using blogs for Homework

many used for assignment descriptions

a few have inserted YouTube videos